

**The Rich Fool  
Luke 12:13-21**

**1. Context of the story**

- a. A greedy question (v. 13)
- b. Jesus' response (vv. 14-15)
  - i. Be on your guard against covetousness
  - ii. Life isn't about money (see 1 Timothy 6:6-10)

**2. The Story**

- a. Looks are deceptive (vv. 16-19)
  - i. He looks like a success
  - ii. God calls him a fool
- b. He was materialistic (v. 19)
- c. He was selfish (vv. 17-19)
  - i. Note the 11 personal pronouns in three revealing verses.
- d. He was a hedonist (v. 19)
- e. He was near-sighted (v. 19)

*"Not one grain of his wealth goes with him" –Ken Gire*

**3. Conclusion**

- a. Where is your treasure? Where is your heart fixed? (v. 34)

*"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose" –Jim Elliot*

- b. "Therefore, do not be anxious..." (v. 22)