

Our One Last Day

Introduction

Scripture Reading: Luke 12:13-21

1. To illustrate a point about “covetousness,” Jesus told this parable.
2. What if we had just one last day. How would we act?

The Parable

1. This particular parable is about a farmer.
Luke 12:16
2. He asks the question?
Luke 12:17-19
3. However, he gave the wrong answer – and it would cost him dearly!
Luke 12:20
4. The bottom line – he was not rich toward God.
Luke 12:21
5. There are three key lessons that we can learn from this valuable parable that Jesus told that applies to everyone.

Covetousness

1. Like consists much more than “things.”

Luke 12:13-15

2. We should be content.

Hebrews 13:5-6 Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU NOR FORSAKE YOU." So we may boldly say: "THE LORD IS MY HELPER; I WILL NOT FEAR. WHAT CAN MAN DO TO ME?"

3. The love of money leads one down a pathway away from God.

1 Timothy 6:6-10

Death is Coming

1. In this parable, the rich fool was told “this night!”
Luke 12:20
2. Life is truly like a vapor and we must always be mindful of that.
James 4:13-17
3. Death is certain - no one can avoid it.

Ecclesiastes 8:8 No one has power over the spirit to retain the spirit, And **no one has power in the day of death**. There is no release from that war, And wickedness will not deliver those who are given to it.

Ecclesiastes 9:2-3 **All things come alike to all**: One event happens to the righteous and the wicked; To the good, the clean, and the unclean; To him who sacrifices and him who does not sacrifice. As is the good, so is the sinner; He who takes an oath as he who fears an oath. This is an evil in all that is done under the sun: that one thing happens to all. Truly the hearts of the sons of men are full of evil; madness is in their hearts while they live, and **after that they go to the dead**.

- A. Until Jesus comes.
1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

Set Our House in Order

1. The fact is “we shall die.”

2 Kings 20:1-6

2. Therefore, we **MUST** put on Christ.

Ephesians 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace

Galatians 3:26-27 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

3. Be diligent.

2 Peter 1:10-11 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

4. Press on every day toward heaven!

Philippians 3:13-14 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Conclusion

- 1. Jesus taught a parable to show the danger of covetousness.**
 - A. It also showed the uncertainty of life.**
- 2. The consequences of living life just for self and not for God is to die.**
 - A. To be eternally separated from Him – SPIRITUAL DEATH!**
- 3. Let us all ensure that we have “set our house in order.**
 - A. Have you put on Christ?**
 - B. Are you living diligently for Him?**
- 4. Please – let us not waste the time that we have left.**
 - A. We MUST be prepared to meet God and face the judgment.**

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