

What's on your list? Beware of More! Luke 12:13-21; 31-34
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“Be on your guard against all kinds of greed”

I. The Danger of More – The foolish rich man...

II. How to Enjoy More

A. God gives for our enjoyment

1 Timothy 6:17; 4:4-5

B. Acknowledge the rightful owner

Psalm 24:1

Haggai 2:8

Deuteronomy 8:18

C. Remember I am a steward of God's wealth

D. Invest God's wealth according to His interests (31-33)

E. Treasure God more than His Gifts

III. How do I fight the urge for more?

A. Make an inventory of what you have

B. Track your income and expenses

1. Keep track of your expenditures for the next two months; or if you are able, track your last two month's expenditures.
2. How much of your income goes toward food, clothing, shelter, medical (necessities)? The rest is discretionary income. How much goes toward debt? How much do you give to the church and other charities?
3. Can you fulfill 1 Timothy 6:6, 8 – “Godliness with contentment is great gain...if we have food and clothing we will be content”
4. Without a plan for how you spend your money, you are more likely to accumulate more stuff and give less.
5. Do you need help developing a plan for managing the money God has entrusted to you? Consider Crown Financial Ministries series–*Managing Our Finances God's Way*

C. Fast from buying

D. Feast on giving

IV. Application – What will I do to guard myself from “More”?
What will do to enjoy and invest what the Lord has given me?