



Citizens of Heaven - Week 1

The Rich Fool

Luke 12:13-21

Citizens of Heaven Care About Their Community

It's (Still)The Season of Pentecost!

*“What did Paul mean when he said that “Our citizenship is in heaven?”
This series will help us live according to the values of God’s kingdom.*

Today, we will read a parable of Jesus about a man who decided to build bigger barns.

Never Enough - A Culture of Overconsumption

What makes us believe we need more?

What happens to us when we do?

When our focus turns inward, we lose sight of the needs around us and what we can do to make a difference.

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- There seems to be a disconnect between the question and the answer.*
- Jesus is deflecting to answer a deeper question: “How much is enough?”*
- The man with a bumper crop already has barns— 1st century realities.*
- He plans to deprive his neighbors, run up the price, and make a profit.*
- Jesus’ ending is a “can’t-take-it-with-you” moral, and much more.*

If you live in the economics of God’s kingdom, you cannot live in scarcity, you must live in abundance. Enough is the quickest path to contentment.

What Do We Learn Here?

- 1. “The poor you always have with you...” Out of context interpretation.*
- 2. When the thought of not having enough keeps us in a state of scarcity.*
- 3. Hoarding what we have at the expense of our neighbors isn’t Christlike.*
- 4. Supporting systems that reward the barn-builders and harm the village.*

A lesson about when enough is actually enough.

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SERMON EXTRAS & FURTHER READING

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What Is God's Kingdom? And What Does Citizenship Look Like?

Cesar Garcia

What If Jesus Was Serious About Heaven?

Skye Jethani

On Earth As In Heaven

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