"Living in Light of Eternity" (Part 1) Luke 12:4-48 (Luke 12:13-21)

Foundational Principles:

- "Keep your life free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for He has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)
- "But **godliness with contentment is great gain**, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world." (1 Timothy 6:6-7)
- "Give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me, lest I be full and deny You and say, 'Who is the LORD?' or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God." (Proverbs 30:8b-9)
- "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." (Luke 12:15)
- "For **the love of money** is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through **this craving** that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs." (1 Timothy 6:10)

Godliness or Ungodliness?

- Ungodliness is living one's everyday life with little or no thought of God, or of God's will, or of God's glory, or of one's dependance of God." (Jerry Bridges)
- o Godliness is living all of life as if God is relevant in what we are doing with all our resources.
 - Would I be comfortable saying this if Jesus was physically here? Would I be comfortable purchasing this if Jesus was physically here? Would I be comfortable doing or not doing this or that, if I was going to have to defend my decision to Jesus?

• Luke 12:13-21:

- We are all called to be "rich toward God."
- One's life does not consist of the abundance of his possessions, but it does consist in the abundance of his eternal riches.
- We must take care (be aware, think about) and be on guard (flee from and avoid all covetousness) not to keep trying to acquire more and more after our needs are met.
- The land of the rich man produced more than what he needed and more than what he had room for.
- He built bigger barns to identify with his wealth, to rest in his wealth, and he found joy in his wealth.
- God called this foolish. He had laid up treasure for himself. He was generous toward himself, not God. "Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need." (Ephesians 4:28)

Closing thoughts:

- "He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income." (Ecclesiastes 5:10)
- "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." (2 Corinthians 9:6,10-11)

Worship: Bless The Lord, O My Soul (Psalm 103) — Sovereign Grace Music On That Day — CityAlight Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call (Psalm 42) — Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

Closing Song: From Everlasting (Psalm 90) — Sovereign Grace Music

Announcements:

- ★VOLUNTEERS: The Cleaning Ministry is looking for a few more volunteers to join the ministry. If you are interested in volunteering or if you have any guestions about the ministry, please see Krystal.
 - -The <u>Children's Ministry</u> is looking for a few more volunteers to join the ministry. If you are a Church Member and you are interested in volunteering or if you have any questions about the ministry, please see Kalen and Courtney.
- ★CHURCH GAME NIGHT: Our monthly Church Game Night is on Sunday, June 29th, at Andy's house (1062 National Road SE; Hebron), starting at 5pm. Please bring your favorite board games and card games to play. We also ask that you bring a snack or finger food to share with everyone! We would love for everyone to join us for this time of fun and fellowship!
- ★ANNUAL "4TH OF JULY" COOKOUT: Our annual "4th of July" Cookout will be on Thursday, July 3rd, starting at 6pm, at Andy's house (1062 National Road SE; Hebron). There is a sign-up list on the table in the Entryway, please sign-up to bring something for the cookout. We also encourage you to bring yard games to play, and bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on.
- ★BAPTISMS: Our next Baptism Service is on Sunday, July 6th. If you are interested in being baptized or have questions about baptism, please see one of the Pastors or Elders.
- ★CANOE/KAYAK TRIP: The co-ed Canoe and Kayak Trip has been RESCHEDULED for Saturday, July 12th. If you are interested in participating or if you have any questions, please see Andy Wesney (740)334-6159.
- ★<u>MEMBERS' MEETING:</u> We are having a Members' Meeting on Sunday, July 20th, immediately following the worship service. We will be having a time of discussion on the potential By-Law Additions, as well as voting on the things presented at the June Members' Meeting. If you are currently a church member, please plan on staying for this important meeting.