## "Living in Light of Eternity" (Part 3) Luke 12:4-48 (Luke 12:22-34)

"Understanding the Fatherhood of God takes away any legitimate reason for us to worry, fear, or have anxiety.

If God loves us like the Scriptures claim, we can freely trust His discipline, His provision, and His giving and taking away."

- Obstacles to living for eternity:
  - The love of money is to put our hope in what money can provide above putting our hope in God. It is to find our identity in what money can buy. It is to find peace, comfort, strength, and security in what money can get us.
  - **Discontentment** is the pursuit of more of this world at the expense of gaining more of Christ.
  - 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)
  - The fear of man is living to please yourself or to try and please or be accepted by others at the
    expense of living to please God. To care about the praise of man more than what pleases God.
- Luke 12:22-34: The obstacles of anxiety and worry:
  - The word for **anxiety** means "to be torn apart" and the word for **worry** means "to be held captive by uncertainty or to strangle."
  - "For all the nations of the world seek after these things": The phrase "seek after these things"
    means "to search intensely for." We will either seek intensely for the things of this world or the
    things of eternity.
    - "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." (Colossians 3:1-2)
  - o "Therefore...."
    - "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)
    - "So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God." (Luke 12:21)
  - o "For where your treasure is (the world or the kingdom), there will your heart be also."
    - Either the world or the Lord is the pursuit of your heart. Your heart is seen in what controls, guides, and has leverage in your life.
  - "Sell your possessions" instead of "tearing down your barns and building bigger ones."
  - "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."
    - "The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him." (Romans 8:16-17)

Account Balance: \$71,816.62 May Balance: \$73,634.47	Weekly Budget: \$3,471 Monthly Budget: \$15,043
Total Giving: June 1	\$4,810.00
Total Giving: June 8	\$5,369.00
Total Giving: June 15	\$1,773.00
Total Giving: June 22	\$4,447.00
Total Giving: June 29	\$2,998.00
Total Giving for June:	\$19,397.00

## **Announcements:**

- ★ DONATIONS: We are collecting monetary donations for the Lamb family throughout the month of July. The Lambs currently live and serve in Papua New Guinea, helping to translate the Bible into the many languages of that country. For more information about the Lambs and about their work in Papua New Guinea, please see the bulletin board at the back of the sanctuary. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations, or you can give on Venmo please make sure to note that it is for the Lambs.
- **★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 questions 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.
- ★CANOE/KAYAK TRIP: The co-ed Canoe and Kayak Trip is THIS Saturday, July 12th, at 11am. If you are interested in participating or if you have any questions, please see Andy Wesney (740)334-6159.
- ★FELLOWSHIP LUNCH: We are having a Fellowship Lunch NEXT Sunday, July 13th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the Entryway, please sign-up to bring something for the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us.
- ★MEN'S BREAKFAST: Men, the monthly Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, July 19th, at 7am, at Big Apple Café Log Pond location. If you plan on attending, please RSVP to Pastor Zach (740)618-0739.
- ★<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.
- ★CHURCH GAME NIGHT: Our monthly Church Game Night will be on Sunday, July 20th, 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!
- ★CEDAR POINT: Christina Strawn is organizing a group trip to Cedar Point on Saturday, August 23rd. Group Admission tickets are \$50 each. Please contact Christina Strawn if you would like to go or if you have any questions (740)755-6512.