

GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

CONNECT

What did your parents teach you about money, either by words or example?

LEARN & APPLY

Each person in your group read one verse from Luke 12:13-21.

- The scene starts with a relational conflict about money. Why does money cause fights between people?
- Jesus refrains from deciding their case for them (verse 14). Why do you think Jesus responded as he did instead?
- Jesus said, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed." Why do we have to be so careful? How has greed sneaked up on you without you realizing it?
- How would you respond if it was you in verses 16-17?
- What's wrong with the man's thought process in verses 18-19?
- Jesus finishes with a contrast between "storing up things for themselves" and being "rich toward God." What's the difference, and what does it mean to be rich toward God?
- Including the verses after this story, the actions that Jesus urges include "Watch out;" "Be on your guard against greed;" "Seek God's Kingdom;" "Give to the poor;" and seek "treasure in heaven." What practical action steps would these things mean for you this week?

PRAY

The man in the story today is described as foolish. Pray for godly wisdom to replace our worldly foolishness. Share any other prayer requests you might have, and remember to include children in your prayer time if you have children in your group.