

Worldliness: Greed (Luke 12:13-21)

Introduction

- What sorts of things might you be greedy for?
- How is the love of money regarded in the UK today?

i The disease

- What, according to Luke 12:15, is greed?
- Why is greed worldly?
- Why, according to Ephesians 5:5 and Colossians 3:5, is greed idolatry?

ii The symptoms

- List four ways which might show you whether there is greed in your life.
 - i)
 - ii)
 - iii)
 - iv)
- What is the first symptom greed will produce if it is allowed to grow unchecked, according to Luke 12:15?
- How does Jesus counter this?

- What is the second symptom greed will produce if it is allowed to grow unchecked, according to I Corinthians 6:9-11?
- How bad is greed, then?
- How can the greedy be forgiven?

iii The cure

- What is the first cure for greed?
- Which passage speaks about that?
- Who is a great biblical example of contentment?
- Where does this contentment come from?
- What is the second cure for greed?
- Which passage speaks about that?
- What do we know about worldly possessions?
- How do we store up treasures in heaven?
- What is the third cure for greed?
- Which passage speaks about that?
- What will desires for God do greedy desires?

Conclusion

- Are you greedy?