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WORTH

LUKE 12:13-37

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“My dear sir, I congratulate
you on improving; I
thought you would hit
something in time.”

(From *The Essex Review*, Volume XXV, page 74)



“In one word, his public conduct lives after him, pure, and without a stain! In private life, he was chiefly an enemy to himself. To others he lent much – to himself he denied everything. But in the pursuit of his property, or the recovery of it, I have not, in my remembrance, one unkind thing that was ever done by him.”

(From Edward Topham’s biography *Life of the Late John Elwes*, page 85)



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Luke 12:13-34 (ESV): “Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.’ **14** But he said to him, ‘Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?’ **15** And he said to them, ‘Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.’...”

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“...**16** And he told them a parable, saying, ‘The land of a rich man produced plentifully, **17** and he thought to himself, “What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?” **18** And he said, “I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods....”

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“...**19** And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’” **20** But God said to him, “Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” **21** So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.’...”

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“...**22** And he said to his disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. **23** For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. **24** Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!...”

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“...**25** And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? **26** If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? **27** Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of those....”

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“...**28** But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! **29** And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. **30** For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. **31** Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ...”

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“...**32** ‘Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. **33** Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. **34** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

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Matthew 6:34 (ESV): “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself.”

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Proverbs 6:6-8 (ESV): “Go to the ant, O sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise.
7 Without having any chief, officer, or ruler, 8 she prepares her bread in summer and gathers her food in harvest.”

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Acts 4:32 (ESV): “All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.”

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Ephesians 4:28 (ESV): “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.”

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MAIN POINT

THE ONLY THING WORSE THAN
ALL WORK AND NO PLAY
IS
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Ecclesiastes 2:1 (ESV): “I said in my heart, ‘Come now, I will test you with pleasure; enjoy yourself.’ But behold, this also was vanity. **2** I said of laughter, ‘It is mad,’ and of pleasure, ‘What use is it?’ **3** I searched with my heart how to cheer my body with wine – my heart still guiding me with wisdom – and how to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was good for the children of man to do under heaven during the few days of their life.”

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Ecclesiastes 2:4-6 (ESV): “I made great works. I built houses and planted vineyards for myself. 5 I made myself gardens and parks, and planted in them all kinds of fruit trees. 6 I made myself pools from which to water the forest of growing trees.”

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Ecclesiastes 2:11 (ESV): “Then I considered all that my hands had done and the toil I had expended in doing it, and behold, all was vanity and a striving after wind, and there was nothing to be gained under the sun.”

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Ecclesiastes 2:12-13 (ESV): “I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; **13** also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil – this is God’s gift to man.”

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Luke 12:35-37 (ESV): “Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, **36** and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. **37** Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes.”

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1 Timothy 6:17-19 (ESV): “As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. **18** They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, **19** thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.”

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APPLICATION

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Proverbs 21:20 (NIV): “The wise store up choice food and olive oil, but fools gulp theirs down.”

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