

Series: "THE _____ THAT STOLE CHRISTMAS"
 Part 1: "GREED"
 Crossroads Community Church
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The Problem:

➤ Greed _____ from us because it _____
 what only God can _____

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

Luke 12:13 (NIV)

¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" ¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

Luke 12:14-15 (NIV)

¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

Luke 12:16-17 (NIV)

3 Questions to Reveal Your Heart Towards Greed:

1. How do you respond to the rich man's dilemma?

➤ _____ or _____

¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."'

Luke 12:18-19 (NIV)

2. How do you respond to the decisions of the rich man?

➤ _____ or _____

²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' ²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

Luke 12:20-21 (NIV)

3. How do you respond to the death of the rich man?

➤ _____ or _____

The Answer:

➤ _____ towards _____

¹⁷ Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹ In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NIV)

Sermon Notes:
