

CELL DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Nothing wrong with working hard, planning ahead, acquire wealth

Consider the ants Proverbs 6:6, Acts 20:34, But don't be like the rich fool

4 things the Rich Fool forgot

1. Forgot God – no sense of thankfulness or reference to God. Not rich towards God

2. Forgot Others – no sense of stewardship of his blessings. Prosperity is not just personal

3. Forgot Meaning of Life – Life consists of love and relationships, of doing justice, loving mercy, walking humbly with God. Micah 6:8

4. Forgot Certainty of Death – Surplus is not Security. Not prepared for consequences of death. Ultimately nothing belongs to us. 1 Tim 6:7, Heb 9:27, Luke 9:25

How to be rich towards God?

- 1. Make God the centre of your life, your source and your goal.
- 2. Don't be calculative with God, give to God and for His work.
- 3. Do not hoard, become a steward and channel of blessings
- 4. Love people and use money instead of love money and use people

3 things the Child of God must remember

- Do not worry. God can be trusted
 "For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things" Luke 12:30
- Do not fear. God is really, really good.
 "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" Luke 12:32. 1 Corin 2:9
- Lay up treasures in heaven. Live purposefully "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" Luke 12:34. Daniel 12:3 . Invest in lives, seek and build God's Kingdom

Questions for Discussion

- 1. Of the 4 things the rich fool forgot (God, others, meaning of life, certainty of death), is there any that you tend to forget too? Is there anything about the rich fool you can identify with?
- 2. What steps do you need to take to become rich towards God?
- 3. How to live wisely as a child of God?
- 4. Share any worries or fears you have gone through and overcame?
- 5. If appropriate, share in small groups any worries or fears you have and then pray for one another.

Prayer:

Pray for one another to be rich towards God.

Pray to overcome worries and fear and live as a child of God Pray to be soul-winners and kingdom builders