

Luke 12

A Warning for Our Hearts

We must examine ourselves
without insulting others.

Matthew 5:22

But I say unto you, That
whosoever is angry with his
brother without a cause shall be in
danger of the judgment:

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and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, (stupid) danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

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But what if God
call someone a fool?

Some People God Calls a Fool



Luke 12:16

And he spoke a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

Luke 12:17

And he thought within himself,
saying, What shall I do, because
I have no room where to bestow
my fruits?

Luke 12:18

And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

Luke 12:19

And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.

Luke 12:20

But God said unto him, **Thou fool**, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

Luke 12:21

So is he that layeth up treasure
for himself and is not rich
toward God.

Who are the people that God calls a fool

Psalm 14:1

“The fool hath said in his heart,
There is no God...”

1. God Calls Those Who Deny His Existence a Fool

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God makes Himself known.

1) Conscience Declares His Reality

God gives mankind an inward awareness of His Existence.

Romans 1:18-19

“For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them.”

2) Creation Declares His Power

Creation points beyond itself
to its Creator.

Romans 1:20

For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.

3) Continuation Declares His Sustaining Hand

Christ created all things
and continues to uphold them.

Colossians 1:16

For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him:

Colossians 1:17

And He is before all things, and
by Him all things consist.

2. God Calls Those Who Delight in Sin a Fool

Foolishness dismisses
the seriousness of sin.

Proverbs 14:9

“Fools make a mock at sin...”

1) They Mock Its Seriousness

Sin separates us from God.

Isaiah 59:2

But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear.

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- It dulls our spiritual appetite.

2) They Mock Its Strength

Sin enslaves our lives.

John 8:34

“Jesus answered them, Verily,
verily, I say unto you,
Whosoever committeth sin is
the servant of sin.”

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- It becomes bondage.

3) They Mock Its Sentence

Sin brings destruction
and death.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death;
but the gift of God is eternal life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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3. God Calls Those Who Despise Instruction a Fool

A foolish heart refuses to listen.

Proverbs 1:7

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but **fools** despise wisdom and instruction.”

1) They Reject God's Wisdom

They trust their own opinions
above the Word of God.

2) They Resist Godly Correction

A teachable heart receives correction as help.

3) They Repeat Their Mistakes

The same choices lead
to the same consequences.

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The greatest preparation
is preparation for eternity.

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1) He Prepared for His Comfort

He provided for his body
but neglected his soul.

2) He Presumed upon His Time

He counted on a tomorrow
he would never see.

3) He Passed into Eternity Unprepared

His possessions could not
prepare him to meet God.

Luke 12:21

“So is he that layeth up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

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should be ready but.

Tomorrow I'll pack

I have plans to pack Just not today.



An Unexpected Departure

Your ride to the airport arrives
and your suitcase is empty.

The Journey into Eternity

Are we ready for the trip?

A Wise Response

Believe God.

Turn from your known sin.

Receive His instruction.

Be Ready

A Wise Response

Trust the Saviour today.
Prepare to meet God.

My Final Question

If God required your soul this Day,
would you be ready?