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Week 1:

Less is More

Luke 12:13-15

Quarter 4 : Live Simple

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**The culture we live in pushes us
toward the same message:
(LIFE IS ABOUT WHAT YOU HAVE)**

**The problem isn't only individual spending —
it's also a culture and a system that encourages us to
define life by what we have.**

LUKE 12:13-14 (CSB)

Someone from the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

“Friend,” he said to him, “who appointed me a judge or arbitrator over you? ”

LUKE 12:15 (CSB)

He then told them, “Watch out and be on guard against all greed, because one’s life is not in the abundance of his possessions.”

**GREED IS NOT NEUTRAL,
IT'S INVASIVE.**

**Simplicity starts with Jesus changing
how we see life.**

**Greed shapes what we desire, what we trust,
and how we live.**

**Covetousness isn't just wanting something; it's
refusing the sufficiency God offers and chasing
surplus as identity.**

**Covetousness promises satisfaction,
but it can't sustain it.**

Covetousness replaces God with things.

A commitment to greed fosters a culture of

'me over you'.

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL SOLUTION?

Simplicity as liberation.

LUKE 12:15 (CSB)

Life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.

**UNLESS THE HEART CHANGES,
DECLUTTERING IS JUST REARRANGING.**

Simplicity starts inward (with trust in God's sufficiency)
and flows outward (living with peace, generosity, and
joy)

**Embracing simplicity is impossible apart from surrender
to the power of the Holy Spirit.**

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