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WHAT JESUS SAID ABOUT THINGS

(Luke 12.13-21)

Central Idea: *To follow Jesus means we will use material things to accumulate eternal riches toward God.*

I. Why Jesus Told a Parable (13-15)

- Request for help (13-14)

- Warning against greed (15)

II. What the Parable Means (16-21)

- The foolish rich farmer (16-20)

- Warning against eternal poverty (21)

III. How the Parable Teaches Us to Live

1. A disciple of Jesus recognizes that real life is not measured in terms of possessions.

2. While earthly things are not evil, we must remember the destructive power of riches.

3. We can use our material possessions to gain eternal riches.

4. We should live life with a view toward eternity.

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. There are more verses in the Bible about money and earthly possessions than about faith and prayer combined. Why do you think the Bible has so much to say about money and material things? Why is it so important?
2. Read Luke 12.13-21. What do you observe? What stands out to you?
3. The choice of the rich man wasn't wise (*What shall I do?*). What does his choice say about his attitude? What could he have done rather than build bigger barns?
4. How do we know if plans we make are for God's glory or our own?
5. How would you explain what it means to be "rich toward God?"
6. Consider point four above. What are the challenges we face as we desire to live our lives with a view toward eternity? Why is it so hard to do?

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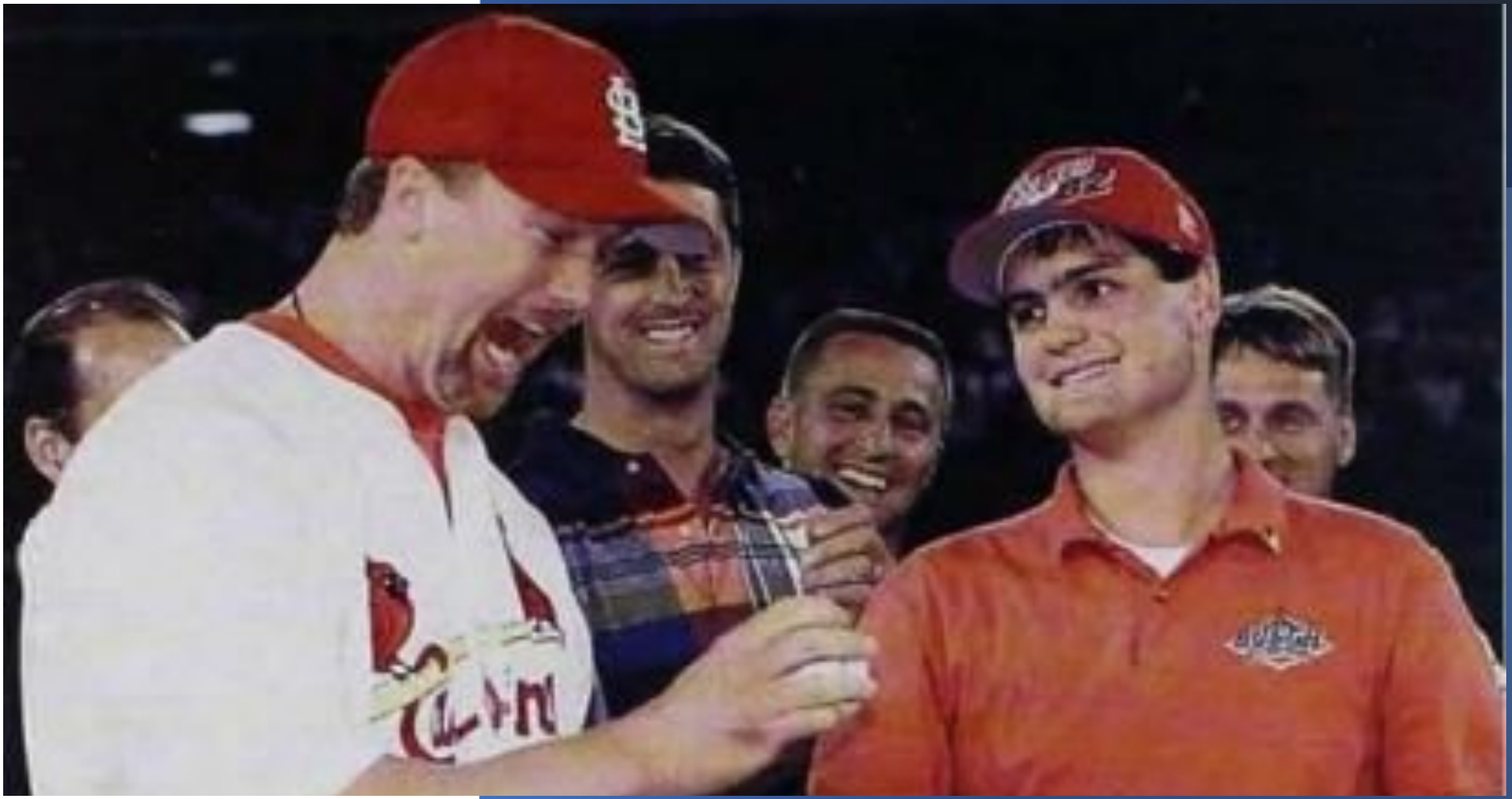
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