

# The Parable of Modern Man

Luke 12:13–34

1. **The Setting** (12:13–15)

A Warning to Be Heeded

A Principle to Be Applied

2. **The Parable** (12:16–20)

What the Problem Was Not

The Source of the Problem

3. **The Transition/Summary Statement** (12:21–28)

Four Illustrations

The Resource Test

4. **The Mark of Discipleship** (12:29–34)

Worry Is \_\_\_\_\_

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**Application:**

## **For the Family:**

### **Read together Luke 12:13–21.**

**Explain** that this is a story that Jesus told about a man who had more than he needed. But instead of sharing with others, he decided to keep it all to himself. He had so much that he had to tear down his barns and build bigger ones. God called this man a fool, because he kept everything and didn't share with others. God gives to us so we can take care of ourselves, but also so we can share with others, especially those in need.

**Talk together** about how Thanksgiving and Christmas are times when we can help others by sharing from what God has given to us. Our church offers several opportunities. As a family, select one or more of them and share or serve together.

*Operation Christmas Child:* You can pick up an instruction sheet at the kiosk in the lobby. Bring the shoeboxes back no later than **November 15**. Our goal is 1,500 boxes, to be delivered to children in third world countries around the world. This is a great project to do as a family.

*Holiday Meals and Christmas Giving Tree:* We put together holiday baskets for ECC families in need. You can bless these families by providing a Thanksgiving meal or gift card. You can also donate by writing a check and designating "ECC Thanksgiving Meals."

*Contact:* Mark Post or Christine Case at 208-286-0879.

*City Light and River of Life:* Boise Rescue Mission serves over 1,000 meals a day in winter at a cost of \$2.05 per person. Our goal is \$4,100 = 2,000 meals.

Go to [www.boiserm.org](http://www.boiserm.org) to contribute.

**Select together** one or more of these projects, and work together as a family to share with others.

**Pray together** that you will always be thankful for what you have, and that you will look for opportunities to share with others in need.