

# Luke

## CHAPTER 12:13-53

**13 ¶** And one of the company said unto Him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

**14** And He said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

**15** And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consists not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

**16** And He spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

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

**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.

**19** And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have much goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry.

**20** But God said unto him, *you* fool, this night your soul shall be required of you: then whose shall those things be, which you have provided?

**21** So *is* he that lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

**22 ¶** And He said unto His disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what you shall eat; neither for the body, what you shall put on.

**23** The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment.

**24** Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them: how much more are you better than the fowls?

**25** And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

**26** If you then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take you thought for the rest?

**27** Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

**28** If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will He clothe* you, O you of little faith?

**29** And seek not what you shall eat, or what you shall drink, neither be you of doubtful mind.

**30** For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knows that you have need of these things.

**31 ¶** But rather you seek the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

**32** Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

**33** Sell that you have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that fails not, where no thief approaches, neither moth corrupts.

**34** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

**35** Let your loins be girded about, and *your* lights burning;

**36** And you yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he comes and knocks, they may open unto him immediately.

**37** Blessed *are* those servants, whom the lord when he comes shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

**38** And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

**39** And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

**40** Be you therefore ready also: for the Son of man comes at an hour when you think not.

**41 ¶** Then Peter said unto him, Lord, do you speak this parable unto us, or even to all?

**42** And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his household, to give *them* *their* portion of meat in due season?

**43** Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he comes shall find so doing.

**44** Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he has.

**45** But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delays his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;

**46** The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looks not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

**47** And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*.

**48** But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

**49 ¶** I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?

**50** But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!

**51** Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:

**52** For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.

**53** The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.