

## Luke 12:13-34

# ***The Tenth Word, Covetousness and Greed***

Sermon Notes for October 30, 2011 by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife; and you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, his male servant, his female servant, his ox, his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.'**

Intro - Gen. 3:6; Avah and Chamad (Reversed in Dt. 5:21); Pleonexia and Epithumea; Gen. 2:9

- I. An Overview of Luke 12:13-34
  - A. An Incidence of Greed - v. 13,14
  - B. Provides Instruction to the Masses - v. 15-21
    - 1. The Central Truth - v. 15
    - 2. Is Illustrated by a Parable - v. 16-20, Isa. 65:13
    - 3. Which Is Then Explained - v. 21
  - C. And Instruction to the Disciples - v. 22-34
    - 1. Don't Worry - v. 22-30
    - 2. Be Holy - v. 31-34, Matt. 6:19
- II. The Lesson of Luke 12:13-34 As Summarized in 12:15
  - A. Greed - A Sin To Be On Guard Against
    - 1. It is Insatiable  
Prov. 27:20; Ecc. 2:10,11; 5:10,11; 6:7
    - 2. It is Destructive to Self and Society  
Prov. 15:27; I Tim. 6:10-12; Gehazi, Achan
  - B.. Greed - A Sin That Comes In Many Forms
  - C. Greed - A Sin of Idolatry - Col. 3:5
- III. Instructions From Luke 12 On How to Avoid Greed
  - A. Be Assured of God's Care and Love
    - 1. For Sparrows v. 6,7
    - 2. For Ravens v. 24
    - 3. For Lilies v. 27,28
    - 4. For You! - Contentment and Thanksgiving 1 Tim. 6:6
  - B. Let Kingdom Work Prioritize Your Life - v. 31,34
  - C. Recognize That God Himself Is Our Treasure - 21,34
    - Gen. 15:1; Heb. 13:5; Job 1,2
    - Prov. 23:5; Ps. 39:6; Ecc. 5:13,14