

# Growth Teams

**Week Beginning  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

## **Going deeper**

Jesus is well known for telling 'Parables', stories that make a spiritual or moral point. In Luke's gospel many of these deal with our attitudes to wealth. They are also often carefully linked with the conversations Jesus is having with those who aren't his disciples.

## **Read Luke 12:13-21**

5. What is the issue that Jesus is responding to with this parable?  
Why do you think the man comes to Jesus with this issue?
  
6. What attitude does Jesus warn us against? (vs. 15)  
What reason does he give for not having this attitude?
  
7. Why does the man in the story become rich?
  
8. How does the rich man's death illustrate what Jesus says in verse 15?
  
9. What should the rich man have done with his new found wealth? (cf. vs. 21) How do you think Jesus wanted the questioner of verse 13 to respond?

***Now do the applying it to our lives questions...***

## **Growth Teams**

Growth Teams are a wonderful opportunity to go deeper with other Christians. They are a great place to build real friendships and support networks, to pray for one another and to look more carefully at the topics we consider on a Sunday.

Daytime Growth Teams are back this week, whilst the Faith Pictures course continues on Tuesday evenings. We will have a special meeting to discuss the evening Growth Team(s) post-Easter on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.



**Growing in Christ  
to glorify God  
and enjoy Him forever.**

## 1 Timothy 6:3-10 (page 1194)

### What attitudes should we avoid?

*Space to take notes on the talk*

What not to lose: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Two attitudes to avoid:

1. C \_\_\_\_\_: too high a view of \_\_\_\_\_

2. C \_\_\_\_\_: too high a view of \_\_\_\_\_

#### One attitude to embrace:

• C \_\_\_\_\_: With a high view of \_\_\_\_\_

#### Starter question

❖ What do you own that you could most easily do without?

#### Responding to the talk

1. If a relative who is a child asked you what you learnt in church this week, what would you say?
2. Read 1 Timothy 6:3-5
  - a. What is it important to teach right? Why is this important?
  - b. Why is being conceited linked with false teaching?
  - c. What are the negative effects of such an attitude on the individual and the wider church? (cf. 1 Cor. 8:1-3)
3. Read 1 Timothy 6:6-8
  - a. How does Paul show us that possessions are less important than knowing Christ?
  - b. What basics do we need to be able to be content?
  - c. In what way is 'godliness with contentment great gain' (cf. 2 Cor. 9:8)?
4. Read 1 Timothy 6:9-10
  - a. What are the dangers of 'loving money'?
  - b. What 'kinds of evil' spring from the love of money?
  - c. Does this mean it is wrong to be rich? (cf. 6:17; Prov. 30:8)

*You may like to do the 'Going Deeper' questions over the page.*

#### Applying it to our lives

10. A friend who goes to another church is concerned that the teaching there is not in line with the Bible. How might you advise them?
11. A Christian friend has just inherited a large sum of money. What dangers do they need to be aware of?