



CIBC Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

This guide is designed to help guide life group discussions of this week's sermon at Cayman Islands Baptist Church. For more information on life groups and other discipleship opportunities at CIBC, please visit www.cibaptist.ky.



Get the Picture

- Title:** “Build Longer Tables Not Bigger Barns”
- Series/Text:** We Work/He Works Wonders (Luke 12:13-20)
- Date:** Feb. 28st, 2021
- Speaker:** Pastor Steve
- Main Idea:** God does extraordinary things through ordinary believers.



Group Discussion

a) Connect

- 1) **Commit:** Before you begin, agree as a group that you will commit to having an honest discussion about this text without casting any judgment or sharing any unsolicited advice.
- 2) **Read:** Read **Psalm 139:23-24** out loud before you pray to begin the discussion.
- 3) **Pray:** Pray over the group and ask the Lord to “*Search your heart*” and reveal idols that are keeping you from receiving truth.

b) Engage

- 1) **Read:** Read Luke 12 and notice the 2 major teachings of this chapter.
- 2) **Discuss:** What issue did someone bring to Jesus and what impact could it have had on the relationship between brothers (13)? How did Jesus respond and why (14)?
- 3) **Discuss:** Read verse 15. What warning did Jesus give? What is greed, and what does “all kinds of greed” suggest (Eph 5:5; Col 3:5)? What deception that accompanies greed did Jesus expose (Ecc 5:10; Jas 1:15)?
- 4) **Discuss:** In Jesus’ parable, how did a rich man come to have an abundant harvest (16)? What plan did he make and with what motive (17-19)? (Note his use of personal pronouns and verb tense.) What would you have done in this man’s place?
- 5) **Discuss:** Read verses 20-21. What horrible mistake had the man made? What was missing in his calculation? What general application did Jesus make? What does it mean to be “rich toward God” (1Ti 6:17-19)?

c) **Apply**

- 1) **Consider:** What can you do this week to be less self-absorbed, become more God absorbed and then be absorbed in the lives of others?

d) **Pray**

- 1) **Silent Prayer:** Enter into a time of silence to allow God to speak to you in response to everything you discussed today. Listen for areas where He may be telling you He wants you to step out in obedience.
- 2) **Group Prayer:** After a time of silence, close out the study with a group prayer for God's help to become fully committed to him this year.



Going Deeper

- 1) Do you remember what the word “fool” means in this passage? What is the irony that Jesus is pointing out through the use of this word?