

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Rabbi, tell my brother to share with me the property we inherited." But Yeshua answered him, "My friend, who appointed me judge or arbitrator over you?" Then to the people he said, "Be careful to guard against all forms of greed, because even if someone is rich, his life does not consist in what he owns." And he gave them this illustration: "There was a man whose land was very productive. He debated with himself, 'What should I do? I haven't enough room for all my crops.' Then he said, 'This is what I will do: I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and I'll store all my wheat and other goods there. Then I'll say to myself, "You're a lucky man! You have a big supply of goods laid up that will last many years. Start taking it easy! Eat! Drink! Enjoy yourself!" 'But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night you will die! And the things you prepared—whose will they be?' That's how it is with anyone who stores up wealth for himself without being rich toward God."

Luke 12:13-21 (CJB)

"The Dire Warning of Covetousness" Pt. 4

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Biblically speaking, covetousness is a death sentence to anyone claiming to be a "believer." To covet is to oppose the very nature of a Holy God. The nature of God is love and to give rather than to hate and take. The issue of coveting carries a warning to the "believer" as well as to a body of believers who may be fellowshiping with somebody who is participating in coveting.

1 Corinthians 5:9-11(CJB)

Subject: We are going to take a detailed look at the full spectrum of the sin of coveting.

- **6 Questions to Be Asked as a Test of Seeking Righteousness or Covetousness**

1. Do I Pursue Earthly Possessions or Heavenly Treasures?
2. Do I Focus On "Receiving" Or "Giving?"

3. **Am I Building Faith or Building Fortunes?**

1 Timothy 6:17-19 (CJB)

James 2:1-7 (CJB)

4. **Are My Thoughts On Lost Souls or Temporary Riches?**

Ecclesiastes 5:8-20 (NLT)

Proverbs 11:28-31 (CJB)

5. **Do I Have Good Relationships or Do I Have Riches?**

Philippians 3:7-11 (CJB)

6. **Is My Desire for Ministry to Exalt Jesus or Exalt Myself?**

John 3:27-36 (NLT)

7. **Is My Physical Body Abandoned to Honor God or to Be Desired by Others?**

Romans 12:1-2 (NLT)