Greed & Gratitude Ephesians 5:3-4

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• Ephesians 4:29 Matthew 12:34 John 10:10

Luke 12:13-15

• Ecclesiastes 5:10 Jeremiah 2:13 Philippians 4:11-12 Hebrews 10:32-34

A Greedy Person

- Identity is in their money and possessions
- looks to money and possessions for satisfaction.
- loves money and uses people and God to get more money for self.
- Is not filled with gratitude

A Christian

- Identity is in Jesus
- Is someone who looks to God for satisfaction.
- Uses money to love God and love people.
- Is filled with gratitude

Luke 12:16-18

Some people are wealthy because of God

• 1 Kings 10:23 2 Chronicles 1:11-12 Genesis 24:34-35 Genesis 26:12-13 Proverbs 10:22

Righteous rich Righteous poor Unrighteous rich Unrighteous poor

• Proverbs 3:9-10 Deuteronomy 28:8 Psalm 144:13-14

Pride, Shame & Jealousy

• Luke 12:18-21

Pride - God will test us with our own wealth

• Deuteronomy 8:10-18 1 Timothy 6:17-19

Shame – God will test us with our own wealth

• Proverbs 10:22 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Pride – I earned it, It is all mine Shame – I should not have it, I should feel ashamed Gratitude - Acknowledges God's blessing and provision

Pride – Wants people to think you paid more for it Shame – Wants people to think you paid less for it Gratitude – Is honest and cares what God thinks

Jealousy - God will test us with other people wealth

• Deuteronomy 5:21 1 Timothy 6:9-10 Hebrews 13:5-6

Be a good steward and be faithful – God may bless you with more!

 Luke 6:38 Matthew 25:29 2 Corinthians 9:6 Luke 16:10-13 Acts 20:35