

**#1: Family Feud (vs. 13-14)**

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

<sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?”

**#2: The Rich Fool (vs. 15-21)**

<sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.”

<sup>16</sup> And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully,

<sup>17</sup> and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’

<sup>18</sup> And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

<sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”

<sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’

<sup>21</sup> So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

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**Ruth 2:5-9**

<sup>5</sup> Boaz asked his servant who was in charge of the harvesters, “Whose young woman is this?”

<sup>6</sup> The servant answered, “She is the young Moabite woman who returned with Naomi from the territory of Moab.

<sup>7</sup> She asked, ‘Will you let me gather fallen grain among the bundles behind the harvesters?’ She came and has been on her feet since early morning, except that she rested a little in the shelter.

<sup>8</sup> Then Boaz said to Ruth, “Listen, my daughter. Don’t go and gather grain in another field, and don’t leave this one, but stay here close to my female servants.

<sup>9</sup> See which field they are harvesting, and follow them. Haven’t I ordered the young men not to touch you? When you are thirsty, go and drink from the jars the young men have filled.”

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**Ruth 2:12**

<sup>12</sup> May the Lord reward you for what you have done, and may you receive a full reward from the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge.”

**#3: Do Not Be Anxious (vs. 22-30)**

<sup>22</sup> And he said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on.

<sup>23</sup> For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.

*<sup>24</sup> Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn,*

*and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!*

*<sup>25</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?*

*<sup>26</sup> If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest?*

*<sup>27</sup> Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.*

*<sup>28</sup> But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven,*

*how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith!*

*<sup>29</sup> And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried.*

*<sup>30</sup> For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them.*

#### **#4: Seek the Kingdom (vs. 31-34)**

*<sup>31</sup> Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.*

*<sup>32</sup> "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.*

*<sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys.*

*<sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also*

#### **#5: What is Your Assessment?**

- Do I feel entitled to what I don't have?
- Do I disobey Scripture to get what I want?
- What does my bank and credit card records say about my priorities?
- Am I unhappy when others get what I want?
- Can I distinguish between a want or a need?
- Do you avoid generosity because you want more for yourself?