

HUGG Study Guide for the Week of 1/21/2018



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“It's a Heart Issue!”

Luke 12:22-34 (Matt 6:21) (ESV)

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Sermon online @ "YouTube" <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4yE0t0ek84euNz419gTgWg>

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST: 1st John 5:14-16

Continue to pray for group requests throughout the week.
Pray for your family and friends and these Ecclesia needs:

- CTBK
- Test the Tithe Pledgers
- The Ecclesia leadership for continue spiritual guidance
- Ecclesia ministries

TEXT UNDER VIEW: Luke 12:22-34 (ESV)

22 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. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. 24 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! 25 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? 27 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. 28 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! 29 And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. 30 For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31 Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. 32 “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 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. 34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

COMMENTARY:

The conclusion of the parable of the Rich fool, serves as an introduction to the teachings on anxiety. The parable, demonstrates how wealth produces anxiety and the futile efforts to secure life. But, to His disciples the Lord explains how one ought to handle anxiety associated with wealth or lack thereof; and as followers of Christ, one should learn to trust in His care for their provision in this life and the next. In the O T the heart is a place both thinking and feeling, and in the N T the heart is to represent the whole man. We are to consider these sayings of the Lord, “your word I have treasured in my heart That I may not sin against You.” Ps 119:11
Our exhortation is to trust in the Lord with all your heart, soul and might!

LOOK BACK:

1. Share and discuss Luke 12:15, what relevance does it has with the context of the text under view?

2. In parabolic sayings; one of it functions is to ‘call for a response’, from the hearers. Explain how the Lord wants us to respond to the parable of the Rich Fool?

LOOK UP:

3. Read Matthew 6:19-34 parallel with the text under view. Discuss what the differences or similarities are between the two passages.

4. Share in your group what 1st John 3: 19-24 mean, “If our hearts condemn us...”?

5. Should Christians ‘fret’? And, if so, how can they stop fretting? Give scriptures that has helped you stop fretting.

LOOK FORWARD:

6. Can we trust the Lord, for ALL our needs and provisions?

7. Read and compare the life of both, the patriarch Abraham and St Paul the apostle. Discuss in your group, what was their journey and how did the Lord provide for them.

8. How will you respond to today’s Sunday sermon?

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