

Parable of the Rich Fool



I will pull down my barns and build larger ones

Students may read Paper 165:4.1-3 or entire section

One day, a man came to Jesus with an inheritance complaint. Jesus warned him and everyone else about covetousness. Then, he told them a story about a rich man whose land produced abundant crops. He had so much that he built new barns to hold all his goods. He thought he was all set for many years. He said to himself, "Eat, drink, and be merry." But that night he died, and "his soul was required of him." He had been rich in earthly treasures but not "rich toward God."

Discussion Questions

It is good to be wise about money, but sometimes people think the most important goal in life is to have more money and things. Why is that foolish? Talk about what the soul is. Can you think of some ways we can become "rich toward God"?

