



Good News From Chardon

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Only a Fool!

By Ron Thomas

We live in a land of abundance. As each year passes one can't help but notice not only the abundance of wealth in our country, but also the deprivations that others experience because of varied reasons. In Luke 12:13-21, the Lord addresses the vanity of one who possessed much, but failed to see things that were even of greater importance. The man who owned much in the way of material things only desired to expand his holdings (12:18), and he did this for his own retirement's sake. The Lord looked upon his actions and his heart as that of a "Nabal" (1 Samuel 25:25), only as a foolish one.

Some of us are more fortunate than others in this country. Since we are in the position we are as a result of the Lord, since we are educated (at whatever level), since we have an internal drive to accomplish much on the way of good, what have we done with what is ours? Rather than build a large place to live, why not be satisfied with a "cottage below" in this world? Do we really need something that is considered large even by our own standards?

Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Mark

Song Leader: Myron

Opening Hymn:

53—Purer in Heart

Opening Prayer:

Ray

Hymn:

55—Take Time to be Holy

Scripture Reading:

Ryan

Luke 12:13-21

Hymn:

119—Rock of Ages

Lord's Supper:

Mark & Ron

Hymn:

248—I Know That My Redeemer

Lives

Sermon: Mark

Invitation Hymn:

647—Almost Persuaded

Closing Hymn:

227—Stand Up For Jesus

Closing Prayer: Dale

Not long ago I was speaking with a man who built a house in our area; it is a large house (to me), but I learned that it was much larger than I imagined. He and his wife have been fortunate in life. She is on staff at the University of Illinois and he has his own business. They were able to give themselves that which they wanted, and the square footage of their house was around 6,500 feet. A husband and wife (with children gone) with a house that large struck me as something similar to that which is read in Luke 12:13-21.

Let me be careful in these remarks. As far as I am aware, there is (and was) no sin involved in this couple's home or even in that which they were able to mass. Nevertheless, there is a home in Bowling Green, Kentucky and Valparaiso, Indiana where the staff is making appeal after appeal for Christians to help in provisions as they (the Children's Home) give children a structured life and love.

We are fortunate because the Lord gave us life in the United States, a location wherein many opportunities abound. Are we building barns, or are we helping in the building of lives (Luke 12:34)?

Ron Thomas preacher for the
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PRAYER LIST

- *Myron was unable to be with us last week.
- *Pat was with us last week and is feeling better.
- *Juanita and her family.
- *Dale's friend Zarna and her family.
- *Larry and Ruth..
- *Dale, his mother and his cousin Jayna and her family.
- *Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.
- *Our congregation
- *Our Veterans
- *Our Nation

CALENDAR

- Mar. 31—Bible Study 10 am
Tom
- Mar. 31—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Mark
- Apr. 5—Friday Night Sing
Windham
- Apr. 5—a. Richard & Rosemary
- Apr. 7—Bible Study 10 am
Tom
- Apr. 7—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Mark
- Apr. 12—Friday Night Sing
Orrville
- Apr. 14—Bible Study 10 am
Tom
- Apr. 14—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Mark
- Apr. 16—b. Eric
- Apr. 14—b. Sara
- Apr. 14—a. Brendan & Lisa Marie
- Apr. 14—Bible Study 10 am
Tom

The Parable of the Rich Fool Luke 12:13-21

ABUNDANCE	ARBITRATOR	BEWARE	BROTHER
CERTAIN	CONSIST	COVETOUSNESS	CROPS
CROWD	DIVIDE	DRINK	GOODS
GROUND	HIMSELF	INHERITANCE	JUDGE
MERRY	NIGHT	PARABLE	PLENTIFULLY
POSSESSES	PROVIDED	REQUIRED	SAYING
SHALL	SINCE	SPOKE	STORE
TEACHER	THINGS	THOSE	THOUGHT
TOWARD	TREASURE	WHICH	WHOSE
WITHIN	YEARS	YIELDED	

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Hidden Message: _____

Answer to Puzzle: I will pull down my barns and
 build greater, and there I will store all my crops and
 my goods.

“Youth would be an ideal state if it came a little later in
 life.” (Henry Asquith)

SUNDAY: Bible Class — 10:00 am; Worship — 11:00 am; Evening — 6:00 pm
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