

Easy English Bible Study Lesson 58: The Rich Fool

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2. **crop:** Plants that a farmer grows for food.
3. **divide:** To separate something into parts.
4. **foolish:** Not showing good sense or wisdom.
5. **greed:** A strong desire to have more money or things than you need.
6. **guard against:** To protect yourself from a wrong way of thinking.
7. **rich:** Having a lot of money or things.
8. **selfishness:** Only caring about what you want or need and not caring about other people.
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7. **greed:** A strong desire to have more money or things than you need.
8. **guard against:** To protect yourself from a wrong way of thinking.
9. **judge:** A person who decides if someone broke the law.
10. **own:** To have something that belongs to you.
11. **prepare:** To get something ready.
12. **rich:** Having a lot of money or things.
13. **save:** To keep something for the future.
14. **selfishness:** Only caring about what you want or need and not caring about other people.
15. **share:** To give a part of what you have to others.
16. **store:** To keep things in a place until they are needed.
17. **story:** A description of people and events that happened.
18. **tear down:** To destroy a building or a wall so that it is gone.
19. **warn:** To tell someone about a danger that is coming.
20. **wheat:** A plant used to make flour for bread.

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Comprehension Questions

1. Who asked Jesus to divide the family property?
2. What did Jesus say about life and owning many things?
3. Why did the rich man want to build bigger barns?
4. What did the rich man plan to do after saving all his goods?
5. What did God say to the rich man that night?
6. What happened to all the rich man's things after he died?
7. What lesson did Jesus want people to learn from this story?

Application Questions

1. Why do you think people sometimes want more and more things?
2. What can we do to be rich in God's eyes, not just with money?
3. How can we help others instead of only thinking about ourselves?
4. What is one good thing you can share with someone this week?

Theological Insights

1. God is the one who gives us life, and it can end at any time.
2. Greed pulls our hearts away from God and others.
3. Jesus cares more about our hearts and kindness than about how much money we have.
4. Everything we have is a gift from God, and we should use it to love him and serve others.
5. It is wise to think about heaven and not just about life on earth.

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Vocabulary Match

Instructions:

Match the word or phrase on the left with the correct definition on the right.

Write the letter of the definition on the line.

Word	Definition
1. _____ barn	A. A common plant grown to make flour for baking.
2. _____ crop	B. To split or share something by separating it into smaller parts.
3. _____ divide	C. A farm building used to hold animals, food, or grain.
4. _____ foolish	D. Showing a lack of wisdom or making poor choices.
5. _____ greed	E. Plants grown by a farmer for food or trade.
6. _____ guard against	F. Having a large amount of money, property, or goods.
7. _____ rich	G. To keep items safely in a place until you need them later.
8. _____ selfishness	H. Thinking only about your own wants instead of helping others.
9. _____ store	I. To protect yourself from bad choices or wrong thinking.
10. _____ wheat	J. A strong desire to gather more money or items than you actually need.

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Grammar

Part A: Present Tense vs. Past Tense

Instructions:

Identify whether the underlined verb in each sentence is in the Present Tense or Past Tense.

1. A large crowd gathered to hear Jesus teach.
2. The rich man owns a lot of land.
3. His land grew many healthy crops.
4. Jesus warns people about the danger of greed.
5. The farmer decided to build bigger barns.

Part B: Choosing the Correct Verb Form

Instructions:

Choose the correct word in parentheses to complete each sentence.

1. Jesus told the man that life is not about (having / have) many things.
2. The rich man wanted to (stores / store) all his extra wheat.
3. God called the man foolish because he did not (think / thought) about others.
4. People should (guard / guarded) against greed in their hearts.
5. The farmer planned to (rebuilt / build) larger barns on his land.

Part C: Subject-Verb Agreement

Instructions:

Choose the correct verb in parentheses to complete each sentence.

1. A rich man (has / have) a very large crop of wheat.
2. The farmers (store / stores) their grain inside the barn.
3. Jesus (teach / teaches) the crowd a parable about greed.
4. Selfish thoughts (stop / stops) people from sharing with others.
5. A wise person (honors / honor) God with their heart.

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Sequence of Events

Instructions:

Put these 6 events in the correct order by writing the numbers **1 through 6** on the lines.

- _____ A. The rich man decides to tear down his old barns and build bigger ones to store his wheat.
- _____ B. A man in the crowd asks Jesus to tell his brother to divide their family property.
- _____ C. God tells the man he is foolish because he will die that very night and lose everything.
- _____ D. Jesus warns the crowd to guard against greed and shares a parable about a rich farmer.
- _____ E. The farmer plans to rest, eat, drink, and enjoy his saved goods for many years.
- _____ F. Jesus teaches that anyone who saves things only for himself is not rich toward God.

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Fill in the Blank

Instructions: Use the words in the word bank to complete the story.

Word Bank:

barn	crop	decide	divide	greed
judge	prepare	rich	save	share

A man in the (1)_____ asked Jesus to act as a
(2)_____ between him and his brother so they could
(3)_____ their family property. Jesus refused and told the people to
guard against (4)_____.

Then Jesus told a story about a (5)_____ man who grew a huge
(6)_____ of wheat. The man did not have enough room, so he made a
(7)_____ to tear down his small (8)_____ and
build bigger ones. He wanted to (9)_____ all his goods so he could rest
and enjoy life. But God told him he was foolish because his life would end that night. Jesus
taught that it is bad to (10)_____ things only for yourself while ignoring
God.

Date: _____

My Prayer Journal (ACTS Method)

Bible Verse:

Write a verse to think about.

Adoration:

Tell God he is great!

Confession:

Tell God you are sorry.

Thanksgiving:

Thank God for good things.

Supplication:

Ask God to help you.

Supplication:

Ask God to help others.

Bible Translation Comparison Journal

Bible Verses: _____ Date: _____

First Version Analysis

Translation: _____

Important or New Words:

Main Idea:

Second Version Differences

Translation: _____

Word Differences:

Sentence Structure Differences:

Tone Differences:

Notes

What does this passage teach you about God or life?

What questions do you still have?

Reflection

Which version was easier for you to understand? Why?

Did reading both versions help you notice anything new?

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Answer Keys

Vocabulary Match:

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| 1. C | 5. J | 9. G |
| 2. E | 6. I | 10. A |
| 3. B | 7. F | |
| 4. D | 8. H | |

Grammar:

Part A:

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| 1. Past Tense | 3. Past Tense | 5. Past Tense |
| 2. Present Tense | 4. Present Tense | |

Part B:

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| 1. having | 3. think | 5. build |
| 2. store | 4. guard | |

Part C:

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| 1. has | 3. teaches | 5. honors |
| 2. store | 4. stop | |

Sequence of Events:

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| 1. B | 3. A | 5. C |
| 2. D | 4. E | 6. F |

Fill in the Blank:

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| 1. crowd | 5. rich | 9. save (or prepare) |
| 2. judge | 6. crop | 10. prepare (or save) |
| 3. divide | 7. decide | |
| 4. greed | 8. barn | |