

*When Possessions Possess Us*

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**Lesson 1:** The \_\_\_\_\_ for a coveter is receiving what they covet (Luke 12:15; 1 Kin 10:4-5, 10:21; 2 Chr 9:20; Ecc 5:10).

**Lesson 2:** Covetousness:

- (Part I) Is \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 12:15).
- (Part II) Leads to possessions \_\_\_\_\_.

**Lesson 3:** We commit the sin of covetousness when we want something:

- (Part I) \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 12:15; Exo 20:17; Col 3:5).
- Parts II and III next Sunday!

**Family Worship Guide**

Memory Verse: Luke 12:15

**Day 1:** Read Luke 12:15, 1 Kings 10:4-5 & 21, Ecc 5:10, and discuss: How is a covetous person receiving what he wants not solve his problem? Does Jesus' warning of covetousness get reinforced or ignored in our media entertainment? What is the warning to those who think that money can satisfy? Why would Solomon be a credible source knowing that money does not satisfy?

**Day 2:** Read Luke 12:15, Prov 4:23; 1 Tim 6:10 and discuss: Why did Jesus say that we needed to be on guard against covetousness? How is it different than other sins? In light of Prov 4:23, where would the sin of covetousness start? To what other things could covetousness lead us into committing?

**Day 3:** Exo 20:17, Col 3:5, and discuss: Is it wrong to want something? When does it become a sin to want something? Even though covetousness is toward objects, who is at the center of it? How is this idolatry?

**Suggestions for Prayer**

**Your pastors and elders:** those who lead, feed, and care for the flock, and their families (Col 4:3; 2 Thes 3:1).

**Church members in need** (1 Tim 2:1; Eph 6:18; Col 1:9).

**“Kings” and those in authority:** President Trump, Vice President Pence, Governor Inslee (1 Tim 2:2).

**The spread of the Gospel:** Missionaries and unreached people groups (Matt 9:37-38).