

THE MAN WHOM GOD CALLED A FOOL

(Lk. 12:13-21)

The Word Fool Means (As In Our lesson):

“without reason, without understanding, deficient in judgment, reckless and inconsiderate habit of mind.”

Or As In Matt. 5:22 (The Word Raca): “to scorn a person’s mind, character and heart” (a harsh contempt).

Summation Thought About This Man: When God calls one a fool, it is serious “stuff.”

Sentence Sermon: This man was a “fool” because he had dismissed God from his life.

BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MAN

1. This man was a very rich farmer and thought only of himself.
2. He forgot that God knew what he was thinking (verses 17-18).
3. He did not ask God what he should do (he had forgotten God).
4. He did not include God in his plans. He thought that he did not need God or anyone.
5. Jesus condemned this man for being selfish.
6. He failed to realize what really was important (verse 15).
7. He was “full of himself”, he used **“I”** six times and **“me”** five times.
8. He did not think about his fellow man.
9. He really thought that he was going to live a long, long time, but he died that night.
10. He never gave thought to the fact that he would stand before Jesus in judgment.
11. He chose to dismiss his responsibility toward God.
12. He was a classic example of how materialism can rob a soul.
13. He never admitted that all he had came from God. He failed to be a good steward.
15. His thinking was wrong because his heart was not right.
16. He never once thanked God for all His blessings, he was an ingrate!
17. He was like those in Haggai 1:1-4, he wanted more and more material things.

GOD ALLOWS US TO USE THE WORD FOOL AS FOUND IN LK. 12:20, BUT NOT IN MATT. 5:22

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE MAN WHOM GOD CALLED A FOOL

1. God calls certain people “fools” (Lk. 13:20).
2. Jesus calls certain people “fools” (Matt. 23:17).
3. Paul called certain people “fools” (Rom. 1:22, I Cor. 4:10).
4. David called certain people “fools” (Ps. 14:1).
5. Solomon called certain people “fools” (Eccl. 2:14).

CHALLENGING LESSONS: HE IS NOT THE ONLY FOOL FOUND IN THE BIBLE **(10 FOOLS FOUND IN THE BIBLE)**

1. Those who will not listen to advice (Pro. 1:7, 22, 23:9, 28:26).
2. Those who believe everything they are told or hear (Pro. 14:15, I Jno. 4:1, Matt. 7:15).
3. Those who will not heed to warnings (Pro. 14:16, Gal. 5:21).
4. Those who make fun (mock) of sin (Pro. 14:9, Jer. 8:12).
5. Those who say and teach there is no God (Ps. 14:1, 10:4, 53:1, II Th. 1:7-9).
6. Those who continue in doing evil or wrong (Pro. 10:23, 12:23, 13:19, 26:11).
7. Those who do not prepare for eternity (Pro. 12:15, Matt. 25:1-13).
8. Those who talk to much (Pro. 29:11, Eccl. 5:3, 10:14).
9. Those who consume alcoholic drinks (Pro. 20:1 = **“makes a fool of you”**, 23:32)
10. Those who have a temper (Pro. 12:16, 27:3, Eccl. 7:9).

DON'T BE A FOOL (FOOLISH)

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