



Uncomfortable wk5: Uncomfortable Cost

Introduction: When we start talking about finances, most of us get a little uncomfortable; especially when we talk about them in church. But Jesus taught a lot about money, because it is something that affects all of us and we need to handle it well. How would our churches look different if most Christians took stewardship seriously?

Discussion Questions

1. Who are you most comfortable talking about your finances with? Often we either make excuses or maybe brag about financial matters – why are those common responses to financial conversations?
2. **Read Luke 12:13-21** Why does Jesus start talking about greed when it looks like this man is asking for fairness? How easy is it to recognize greed in someone else? Why is greed tough to see in a mirror? How can greed ruin the witness of a Christian or a ministry?
3. Why is the man in the parable called a fool? What does it mean to be “rich toward God?”
4. **Read Luke 12:31-34** Sometimes we can be torn on when to help someone financially. How do you know when to step in and when not to? Why does Jesus remind us that our Father has been pleased to give us the kingdom, before telling us to be generous?
5. How can the way you spend your money be a reflection of your heart?
6. There are lots of kingdom based organizations, how do you decide or prioritize where to give? Do you budget your giving or do you wait to see a need that you think you can help with?

Shaping Your Mind –*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:34*

Moving Forward –Because our inheritance can never spoil or fade, don’t spoil it by keeping it to yourself.