

## Luke 12 keywords

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Meanwhile, when the crowd gathered by the thousands, so that they trampled on one another, he began to speak first to his disciples, "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees, that is, **their hypocrisy**. Nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. Therefore whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered behind closed doors will be proclaimed from the housetops. "I tell you, my friends, do not **fear** those who kill the body, and after that can do nothing more. But I will warn you whom to **fear: fear** him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, **fear** him! Are not five sparrows sold for **two pennies?** Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight. But even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be **afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows**. "And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before others, the Human One also will acknowledge before the angels of God; but whoever denies me before others will be denied before the angels of God. And everyone who speaks a word against the Human One will be forgiven; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. When they bring you before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities, do not **be anxious** about how you are to defend yourselves or what you are to say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you at **that very hour** what you ought to say."

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should **I** do, for **I** have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, '**I** will do this: **I** will pull down **my** barns and build larger ones, and there **I** will store all **my** grain and **my** goods. And **I** will say to my **life**, '**Life**, you have **more** goods laid up **for more years**; relax, **eat, drink, be merry!** But God said to him, 'You fool! **This very night** your **life** is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not **be anxious** about your **life**, what you will **eat**, or about your body, what you will wear. For **life** is **more** than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. **Of how much more value are you than the birds!** And can any of you by **being anxious** add a single cubit to **your span of life?** If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why are you **anxious** about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you--you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to **eat** and what you are to **drink**, and do not keep **being anxious**. **For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.**

"Do not be **afraid**, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to **give** you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and **give** alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.

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For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their **master** to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those **slaves** whom the **master** finds awake when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to **eat**, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during **the middle of the night**, or **near dawn**, and finds them so, blessed are those **slaves**. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known **at what hour** the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Human One is coming at an **unexpected hour**."

Peter said, "**Lord**, are you telling this parable for us or for everyone?" And the **Lord** said, "Who then is the faithful and prudent manager whom his **master** will put in charge of his **slaves**, **to give** them their allowance of food at the **proper time**? Blessed is that **slave** whom his **master** will find at work when he arrives. Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions. But if that **slave** says to himself, 'My **master** is delayed in coming,' and if he begins to beat the other **slaves**, men and women, and to **eat** and **drink** and get drunk, the **master** of that **slave** will come **on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour that he does not know**, and will cut him in pieces, and put him with the unfaithful. That **slave** who knew what his **master** wanted, but did not prepare himself or do what was wanted, will receive **more** lashings. But the one who did not know and did what deserved a beating will receive fewer lashings. From everyone to whom **more has been given**, **more** will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even **more** will be demanded.

"I came to throw fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come **to give** peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! **From now on** five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. **You hypocrites!** You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret **the present time**? "And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? Thus, when you go with your accuser before a magistrate, on the way make an effort **to give** your best to set yourself free, or you may be dragged before the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer throw you in prison. I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last **penny**."