

PERSPECTIVE PART 4
“RIGHT PERSPECTIVE”
SCRIPTURE: LUKE 12; EPHESIANS 3
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INTRODUCTION

- Perspective always determines our direction.
- Week 1 was Get Perspective. Principles are pillars that shape perspective.
- Week 2 was Clear Perspective. Everything comes from Him, belongs to Him, and will be returned to Him.
- Week 3 was Keep Perspective. Keeping good perspective requires us living within our means.
- This Week is Right Perspective. Having the right perspective will position us to have...Extra.
- Awareness changes everything.
- Proverbs 3:5-6, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight.”

I. AWARENESS OF EXTRA

- Seeing that we have extra is a matter of perspective!
- Luke 12:13 - We all think what we have isn't enough.
- Awareness has the power to reshape our perspective.
- Awareness can breed three things:
 - Realization of what we don't have – envy.
 - Realization of what we do have – greed.
 - Or realization that what we have isn't ours.
- What perspective orders your life and finances?
- What we decide to do with our extra is an indicator of who or what controls our heart.

II. US AND OUR EXTRA

- Luke 12:14-20, Jesus replied, “...“Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own.”... ²¹“Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God.”
- Following Jesus' way does not consist of having an abundance of stuff!
- If our primary concern is providing for ourselves, we are not following His way.
- Luke 12:20, “But God said to him, ‘You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?’”
- Wealth isn't a condition, wealth is a perspective.

III. THE WAY IT IS

- Luke 12:21 NIV, “This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God.”
- Jesus is telling “Be wise but be careful!!
- Our deep conviction is that we would never have what we have if it wasn't from Him. It's all come from Him.
- Will we be faithful to preserve the good things He has given as good..

CLOSE

- How do we have extra?
- In order for us to have extra we have to live with less.
- Luke 12:33-34, “Sell your possessions and give to those in need...³⁴Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”
- Predetermine that you and your family will be rich toward God.
- God isn't interested in our stuff, He wants to rule our hearts.