

IT CAME FROM WITHIN!

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INTRODUCTION

Lingering just out of sight, this master of disguise capitalizes on deception. With many different faces his masquerade is often difficult to see through. He sneaks up on his victims, and without them even realizing it ignites within them desires that cannot be quenched. In this session, we'll take a closer look at this creature called greed and find the antidote for his attempts to lead your heart astray.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When you think of greed, what or who comes to mind?
2. Read Luke 12:15. One kind of greed is equating your life with the abundance of your possessions. How do you see this in your life?
3. Read Matthew 6:19-20. Why is it foolish to trade eternal impact for temporary trinkets?
4. Read Matthew 6:21. What effect does greed have on the heart?
5. What effect does generosity have on the heart?
6. Why does it make sense to be a percentage, priority and progressive giver?
7. What can you begin to do this week to guard your heart from greed?

THINK ABOUT IT

How rich are you? Did you realize that if you make \$47,500 a year or more you are in the top 1 percent of the richest people in the world? That means that there are 5,940,000,000 people alive today who make less than you do. Go to www.globalrichlist.com and enter in your annual salary to see exactly where you rank. How does it make you feel to know that you are one of the richest people in the world?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

What is your plan for giving? Have you selected a percentage to give away? How can you make giving a priority in your life? Do you feel that it is time to progressively give more?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

