



"THE 41 PARABLES OF JESUS CHRIST"

28 general parables and 13 kingdom of heaven parables

Parable #28 – "A RICH FOOL"

[Luke 12:16-19,20-21](#)

The 15th of the 28 general parables

BACKGROUND:

In 445BC, with **one Bible week** equating to **seven years** (a prophetic year being 360 days), God commanded that **seventy weeks** each of **7 years**, would be determined upon Israel, that is ... **70 weeks x 7 years = 490 years** ([Daniel 9:24-27](#)).

This time frame is broken into **four** time periods of (a) **7 weeks** + (b) **62 weeks** + (c) the mystery church age of about 2,000 years + (d) **1 week = 70 weeks** and is explained as follows:

#1. **Seven** weeks of years is **7 x 7 = 49** years ... the time it takes to restore and build Jerusalem from 445BC to 396BC.

#2. **Sixty two** weeks of years is **62 x 7 = 434** years ... the time from the building of Jerusalem in 396BC to Christ being cut off at the cross in 32AD.

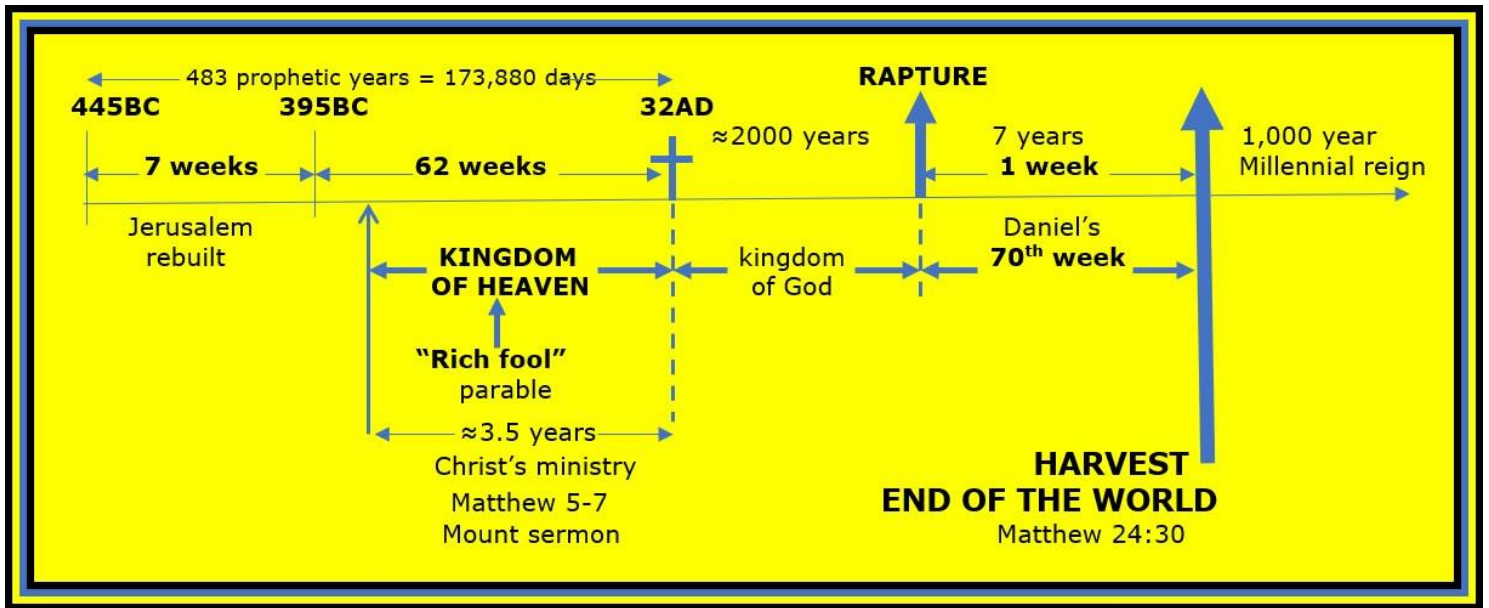
#3. The church age of approximately 2,000 years

#4. **One week** of years is **1 x 7 = 7** years ... this is the seven years of tribulation of God's wrath upon the earth, that takes place after the rapture ... called **Daniel's 70th week**.

The following **Timeline** will help (not drawn to scale):

[DANIEL 9:24-27](#)

*"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city ... from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be **seven weeks**, and **threescore and two weeks** ... after **threescore and two weeks** shall Messiah be cut off ... he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week** ..."*



[Luke 12:16-19,20-21](#)

And he spake a **parable** unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that **layeth** up treasure for himself, and is **not rich toward God**.

EXPLANATION:

1. Under the kingdom of heaven dispensation

he that **layeth** up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God = this is the person which does not fulfil Christ's injunctions of the following ...

- (a) No **hoarding** up **money** or **goods** ([Matthew 6:19-21,24](#))
- (b) No worrying about **food and drink** ([Matthew 6:25-28,29-32,33](#))
- (c) Take no **thought** about tomorrow ([Matthew 6:34](#))

Therefore not being rich toward God meant this man will not enter Abraham's bosom on death.

This is an unsaved man not trusting in the riches of Christ fulfilling the sermon on the mount rules on his behalf.

His unsaved soul is required of God and will be sent to hell.

2. Under the kingdom of God dispensation

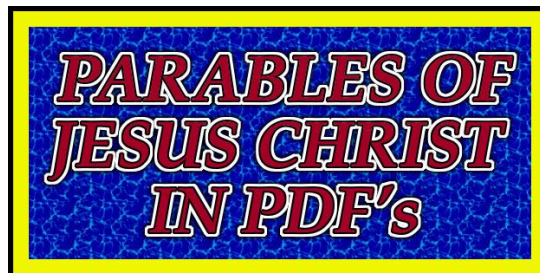
In this dispensation, there is nothing wrong with increasing one's goods ... because when you're saved you're eternally saved.

However, not being rich toward God (Read Paul's account of money dealings Romans chapters 8-9), means lack of rewards in heaven.

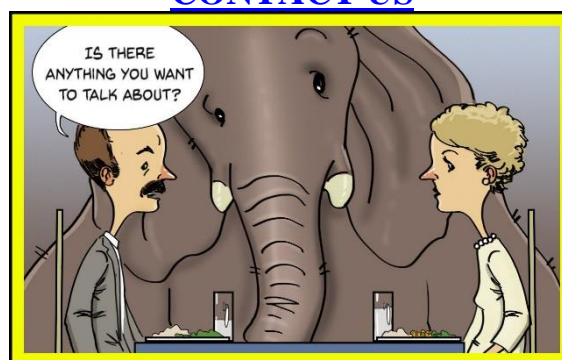
This man in heaven says, looking in his rear view mirror "Ouch! I wish I'd given more for the Lord's work!"

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