

**Series: 7 Habits of a Disciple**  
**Message: A Successful Life**  
**Text: Luke 12:22-34 (AM 4/23/17)**

What is the measure of *true success*? It depends on who you ask. Our self-centered Humanistic Culture has descended into the abyss of *hedonism*. Many define success in *possessions*, some *position or power*, others *popularity* and for a few, it's an endless *party*. Jesus introduces His followers to a whole different *paradigm*. Success, for the Saint in God's eyes, is to be *immersed in His Kingdom*. Let's explore His definition of the Successful Life.

- I. **Trust your Father (22-28)** *"If God clothes the grass...will He clothe you?"*  
Christian Stewards rest in God's sufficiency for their lives.

Do not worry...

- He sees our needs (22-23) *"Do not worry about your life..."*
- He supplies our needs (24-26) *"Of how much more value are you..."*
- He strengthens our faith (27-28) *"He will clothe you, you of little faith.."*

- II. **Trade your Focus (29-31)** *"Seek first the kingdom of God..."*  
Christian Stewards revolutionize their purpose in life.

Discover genuine purpose...

- Rest in His supply (29) *"Your Father knows you need these things..."*
- Redefine your success (30a) *"Seek (first) the kingdom of God..."*
- Realize His sufficiency (30b) *"All these things shall be added to you."*

- III. **Treasure your Forever (32-34)** *"Where your treasure is...your heart"*  
Christian Stewards recognize their true treasure in life.

Pursue true treasure...

- Sons discover treasure (32) *"Your Father...gives you the Kingdom"*
- Saints inherit treasure (33) *"A treasure in heaven does not fail..."*
- Servants enjoy treasure (34) *"Where your treasure is, there your..."*

**Application to life:** Many, here today, are on the *Journey* enjoying the Successful Life of a Steward. However, many if not most, need to *discover* the true joy and peace found in life *measured* by God's standard of success. To be sure it's a Journey of *faith*, but it is worth it! You'll enjoy the fulfillment of His abundant life today and the assurance of abundance and eternal purpose in Heaven! Aren't you ready to experience the Steward's Successful life?