



Community Group Study: A Call to Trust
First Things - Part 3 | Luke 12:32-34 | week of January 21

GETTING STARTED

- On a scale from 1 (“no sweat”) to 10 (“panic”), what is the worry quotient in your life right now? Why?

Read Luke 12:32-34.

DISCUSS & APPLY

- What pictures or metaphors are used to describe God in verse 32?
- Take the verbs in Luke 12:32 (“fear” and “give”) and restate them in your own words (other words that mean the same thing). What do you learn?
- How many reasons not to fear do you see in Luke 12:32? What are they?
- In the context of Luke 12:13-31, what specifically are Jesus’s disciples not to fear?

- How does Jesus try and overcome the disciples' fear? What promise(s) does he give them?
- What lesson is Jesus teaching about possessions in Luke 12:32–34? Is it bad to have possessions? Why or why not?
- In your own words, restate verse 34. How would you describe the relationship between our possessions and our joy?
- How does this teaching from Jesus challenge you? In what ways you are tempted to look to worldly possessions for your joy?
- Discuss some practical steps that can help you to combat worry by focusing more fully and consistently on the generous character and nature of God.

NEXT STEPS

- Write a prayer of confession, acknowledging to God the way(s) in which you are prone to worry and anxiety. Ask for his forgiveness, and for greater confidence in his generous character and nature.
- Memorize Luke 12:32.