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## 4 THINGS THAT "SCROOGED" SHOWS US ABOUT CHRISTMAS

### 1. THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR CAN BRING OUT THE WORST IN US SOMETIMES.

*"Meanwhile, the crowds grew until thousands were milling about and stepping on each other...Then someone called from the crowd, "Teacher, please tell my brother to divide our father's estate with me.""*

Luke 12:1, 13 (NLT)

### 2. CHRISTMAS HAS A WAY OF TESTING WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO US.

*"Jesus replied, "Friend, who made Me a judge over you to decide such things as that?" Then He said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own.""*

Luke 12:14-15 (NLT)

### 3. CHRISTMAS ALSO HAS A WAY OF TESTING...

#### ...OUR PERSPECTIVE THAT SAYS, "I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH."

*"Then He told them a story: "A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops. He said to himself, 'What should I do? I don't have room for all my crops.'"*

(vs. 16-17)

#### ... THE CONVENTIONAL WISDOM THAT SAYS, "MORE HUSTLE IS ALWAYS THE ANSWER."

*"Then he said, 'I know! I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. Then I'll have room enough to store all my wheat and other goods.'"*

(vs. 18)

#### ... THE MYTH THAT SAYS, "I'LL ALWAYS HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO ENJOY TOMORROW, WHAT I'M SACRIFICING TODAY."

*"(Then he said) And I'll sit back and say to myself, "My friend, you have enough stored away for years to come. Now take it easy! Eat, drink, and be merry!""*

(vs. 19)

*"But God said to him, "You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?""*

(vs. 20)

### 4. THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR CAN BRING OUT THE BEST IN US SOMETIMES...BUT IT'S UP TO US.

*"Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God."*

Luke 12:21 (NLT)