

Lectio Divina

- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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August 4th 2013 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C – Luke 12:13-21

In this week's gospel we see Jesus teaching on excessive greed. When the man asks Jesus to tell his brother to give him a share in his inheritance Jesus refuses to get involved asking "who appointed me your judge or the arbitrator of your claims" He then tells him a parable about storing up of goods for himself instead of storing up treasure for himself in the sight of God. How do we spend our well earned money? Do we invest in bigger houses and expensive things for this life without giving a thought to the treasures which are important in the eyes of God?

Prayer:

Lord we thank you for people who are the voice of Jesus in our day calling on us to watch and be on our guard against greed of any kind.

Forgive us for the times we felt our security depended totally on the treasures we store up for ourselves and the more we have the more we want.

Help us to realise the importance of being generous and share our goods with those who have less thus storing up treasures for ourselves in the eyes of God.

