

## LEADER NOTES

### • Set the tone early.

This is a conversation about trust.

- Not amounts.
- Not comparison.

### • Keep the focus on provision.

Jesus repeatedly points to God as the provider. Redirect the group from fear based thinking to trust based living.

### • Watch for worry language.

Notice when stress, fear, or scarcity shows up in the conversation. Gently guide the group back to what Jesus says about the Father's care.

### • Gently guide application.

Help the group name the voices shaping their choices before talking about change. Ask what needs to shift. Avoid fixing or advising or rescuing.

The circumstances we ask God to CHANGE are often the circumstances God is using to CHANGE US.

Close in prayer: Ask God to quiet competing voices, listen to wise counsel and make wisdom clear.

## ASSIGN NEXT WEEK'S STORY

Acts 1:3-11

## ASK FOR PRAYER REQUESTS\*

## ASK A VOLUNTEER TO CLOSE IN PRAYER

\*Share & record prayer requests. Follow up throughout the week.

PLEASE TAKE ATTENDANCE

## TARGET

**Topic:** Trust reveals what you treasure.

**Take Away:** When you trust God as your provider, money shifts from security to stewardship.

**God Stories:** A God Story is an undeniable encounter or experience that creates an impact or breakthrough in a person's day-to-day life.

**Ice Breaker Question:** *What's something you've lost sleep over that, looking back, wasn't worth the stress?*

**This Week's Passage:** *Luke 12:22-34*

**Share background:** *Jesus has just responded to a man asking Him to settle an inheritance dispute, a situation that reflects the economic strain, family conflict, and land-loss issues common among Jewish peasants. Jesus then confronts the widespread belief that accumulating surplus goods provided safety in a world. His words challenge the assumption that material prosperity signified God's blessing. The presence of soldiers, burdensome tribute, and the threat of revolt created a constant backdrop of instability that made daily survival a genuine concern. Most of Jesus' listeners were workers whose lives were one failed crop or missed payment away from ruin – and now the story from God's Word.*

**Tell the story. Rebuild the story.**  
**Read the story from God's Word.**

**Head Question:** *What reasons does Jesus give for why His followers do not need to worry about provision?*

**Heart Question:** *Which part of this passage do you relate to and why? What do you find it hard to trust God with?*

**Hands Question:** *What is one specific change you can make to give your reliance and trust in God rather than fear?*