

Pride:

Excessive belief in one's own abilities.

Virtue: **Humility**

Envy:

The desire for others' traits, status, abilities or situation.

Virtue: **Kindness**

Gluttony:

An inordinate desire to consume more than that which one requires.

Virtue: **Self-Control**

Anger:

A strong feeling of grievance and displeasure.

Virtue: **Patience**

Greed:

An overwhelming desire to have more of something than is actually needed

Virtue: **Generosity**

Sloth:

The avoidance of physical or spiritual work.

Virtue: **Diligence**

Lust:

An inordinate craving for the pleasures of the body.

Virtue: **Purity**

Then someone called from the crowd, "Teacher, please tell my brother to divide our father's estate with me." 14 Jesus replied, "Friend, who made me a judge over you to decide such things as that?" 15 Then he said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own." 16 Then he told them a story: "A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops. 17 He said to himself, 'What should I do? I don't have room for all my crops.' 18 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. 19 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!"' 20 "But God said to him, 'You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?' 21 "Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God." Luke 12:13-21 (NLT)

Greed says that:

- Life is _____ by Who Has the _____

But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

1 Timothy 6:9-10 (NLT)

- We Aren't _____ for What We've Received

From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.

Luke 12:48b (NRSV)

- We are Trusting in

- Our _____

- Our _____

“Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. 21 Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be. Matthew 6:19-21 (NLT)

You brood of snakes! How could evil men like you speak what is good and right? For whatever is in your heart determines what you say. 35 A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. Matthew 12:34-35 (NLT)

The Cure for Greed is _____

- Generous with My _____

So then, my dear friends, stand firm and steady. Keep busy always in your work for the Lord, since you know that nothing you do in the Lord's service is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (TEV)

- Generous with my _____

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. 1 Corinthians 12:7 (NLT)

- Generous with My _____

For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints — and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, 2 Corinthians 8:3-5 (NRSV)

My Next Step Today Is To . . .

- Turn all of my life over the care and will of God by receiving Jesus as my Savior and Lord.
- Take all of my worry to Jesus, trusting him with my whole life.
- Ask God to give help me to live a joyful, generous life.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Matthew 6:21