To know God and to love him
is better than being rich or having lots of things.
God wants us to share with others who need help.
What we do for God lasts forever - even in heaven!

The Silly Greedy Farmer
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This story comes from Luke chapter 12
Jesus told this story about a farmer—
“One summer all his wheat grew and grew.
He had such a big crop!
The farmer thought he was very clever.

Jesus told this story to help us see
that the things we have only
last for a little while.
We can’t take them with us when we die.
But that very night
the silly, greedy farmer died.
Now who did all the wheat belong too?
It was no use at all to the farmer, after he was dead.

"I am not selling any," he said,
"I will keep it all for myself.
I grew it and so I will keep it all.
It is mine, mine, mine!"
My barns are too small, so I will pull them all down and build bigger ones."
So the silly, greedy farmer built new barns and filled them up.

He felt so proud of himself.
"How clever I am, “ he thought.
I have grown so much wheat that I will never have to work again.”