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Luke 16:19-31

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“There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. ²⁰ But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, ²¹ desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. ²² So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. ²⁴ “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, “Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’ ²⁷ “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, ²⁸ for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham said to him, “They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰ And he said, “No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹ But he said to him, “If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’

THE PARABLE THAT’S NOT A PARABLE

1.) The days of our lives

v.19-21

Do not think for a moment that because one was rich
and the other poor that this would be the reason for their end.

Jesus is Here, Shattering a Common Belief of The Day,
That if a Man was Rich, He was Specially Favored by God and the Poor Man was Despised by God –
Not True!

THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES

1a.) Can be smooth and pleasurable

v.19

¹⁹ “There was a **CERTAIN RICH** man who was **CLOTHED IN PURPLE**
and **FINE LINEN** and **FARED SUMPTUOUSLY EVERY DAY**.

And so how are we to conduct ourselves in such times?

Psalms 116:12-14

What shall I render to the LORD For all His benefits toward me? ¹³ I will take up the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of the LORD. ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD Now in the presence of all His people.

Romans 2:4

Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

Philippians 4:11-13

Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: ¹² I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. ¹³ I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES

1b.) Can be lean and heartbreaking

v.20-21

²⁰ But there was a **certain beggar** named **Lazarus**, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, ²¹ desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from **the rich man's** table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

What are we to think about difficulties and hardships?

John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

1 Peter 4:12-13 NLT

Dear friends, don't be surprised at the fiery trials you are going through, as if something strange were happening to you. ¹³ Instead, be very glad—for these trials make you partners with Christ in his suffering, so that you will have the wonderful joy of seeing his glory when it is revealed to all the world.

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2.) At the end of our lives

v.22-26

AT THE END OF OUR LIVES

2a.) We all enter into reality

v.22-23

²² So it was that the beggar died, and was **carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom**. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ And **being in torments in Hades**, he **lifted up his eyes** and **saw Abraham afar off**, and **Lazarus** in his bosom.

The saved man was escorted at death.

So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels.

He was comforted in Paradise.

With all those who had died prior to Christ's resurrection.

He was with Abraham.

So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried.

The lost man was buried.

He went to the under-world.

He knew who Abraham was.

He knew there was a great void between them.

He saw Lazarus at peace and with others.

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AT THE END OF OUR LIVES

2b.) God's mercy becomes irrelevant

v.24

24 "Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may **dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue**; for I am **tormented** in this flame.'

One Second Into Eternity And...

Prayer Becomes Irrelevant

(In heaven, nothing is needed. In hell, no one's listening)

One Second Into Eternity And...

Mercy Becomes Irrelevant

(In heaven, its perfect. In hell, it's not available)

One Second Into Eternity And...

Water Becomes Irrelevant

(In heaven, its everywhere. In hell, there's a drought)

AT THE END OF OUR LIVES

2c.) It will be your final answer

v.25-26

But Abraham said, "Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you there is **(1)** a great gulf fixed, so that **(2)** those who want to pass from here to you cannot, **(3)** nor can those from there pass to us.

THE PARABLE THAT'S NOT A PARABLE

3.) Forever is the most important thing

v.27-31

FOREVER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING

3a.) Hell is to be avoided

v.27-28

²⁷ “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, ²⁸ for I have five brothers, that he may **testify** to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.

The life we live in our flesh here and now will someday become a part of the reality of our eternity. Jesus desires us to use our lives for the benefit of others. Christianity is about other people in His Name.

Matthew 25:41

“Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

Revelation 20:11-14

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. ¹³ The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. ¹⁴ Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

FOREVER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING

3b.) Warnings are to heeded

v.29-30

²⁹ Abraham said to him, “They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰ And he said, “No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will **REPENT**.’

***This is EXTREMELY important Christian for you to know:
This rich man is reported to be “wicked” or a “drunk” or a “mugger”
He is not even reported as being a notorious sinner - - he is a man that did not
repent in his life.***

***(1) Hell is reserved for those who refused to believe in life.
(2) Hell’s punishment will be according to one’s actions in life.***

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

FOREVER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING

3c.) Jesus did all that was needed

v.31

31 But he said to him, “If they do not hear **MOSES** and the **PROPHETS**, neither will they be persuaded though **ONE** rise from the dead.’

What did **MOSES** have to say?

What did the **PROPHETS** have to say?

What did this **ONE WHO ROSE FROM THE DEAD** have to say?

Notice This: There is no second chance after death.

Hebrews 9:27

As it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

Notice This: There is a Great Sense of Urgency

2 Corinthians 6:1-2

We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ² For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The
Call <<<<

End of Study

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