

MESSAGE NOTES

The Gospel of Luke
"The Billionaire & The Beggar"
Text: Luke 16:19-31

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Notice the contrast ...

1. In _____ (Luke 16:19-21)

This man was _____.

SIX ASPECTS of his poverty.

1. He was _____ at the _____.
2. He was _____.
3. His name was _____.
4. He was covered with _____.
5. He was _____ to death.
6. _____ came and _____ his sores.

2. In _____ (Luke 16:22)

3. In _____ (Luke 16:23-31)

1. His _____ (vs. 23a)
2. His _____ (vs. 23-24)
3. His _____ (vs. 27-28)

His temporary _____ had eternal _____.

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CONNECT GROUP HOMEWORK

For the week of November 4.

GETTING STARTED _____

1. Can you think of some examples where Hollywood has portrayed Hell in movies or on TV? Did those depictions make it feel like a real place?

2. How should we respond when someone claims there is no afterlife and we cease to exist after our physical deaths?

What Scriptures would you point them to?

DIGGING DEEPER _____

1. Read **Luke 16:22-26**. What are some of the things we can learn about the two destinations Jesus describes in this parable?

According to **Ephesians 2:8-9** and **Titus 3:5**, what things clearly *don't* save us? What *does*?

2. Jesus opens the parable with a contrast between the rich man and the poor man, and then closes it with a call to hear the Word of God. Why do you think Jesus did that? What is the connection between hearing the Word of God and moral behavior?

Why would anyone postpone making a decision about having a relationship with God until it's too late?

3. Read **2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2**. Why does Paul say, "Now is the day of salvation"?

Read **Hebrews 3:14-19**. How does a person's response to Jesus affect their standing with Him in Heaven or Hell?

PRACTICAL APPLICATION _____

4. In the parable, Jesus made the point of the sufficiency of God's Word. Read **2 Timothy 3:16-17**. How does that encourage us right now?

5. What would you say to someone who says it's offensive to talk about Hell? How does the parable of the rich man and Lazarus speak to such a claim?