

## THE STORY OF THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS

(Luke 16:19-31)

- A. THE PARABLE OF THE SHREWD STEWARD (Luke 16:1-13)
- B. JESUS REBUKES THE PHARISEES FOR THEIR GREED AND IGNORANCE OF THE SCRIPTURES (Luke 16:14-18)
- C. THE TRUE STORY OF THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS (Luke 16:19-31)
1. The fact that Jesus used \_\_\_\_\_ in this story should lead us to conclude it was a true story of what happens when two men step through the doorway of \_\_\_\_\_ into the afterlife.
  2. The rich man was an \_\_\_\_\_ who enjoyed the good things in life; he was entirely \_\_\_\_\_ as he lived his flamboyant lifestyle without a care in the world for others. (v. 19)
  3. A \_\_\_\_\_ named Lazarus was so poor he reverted to begging; he was often laid at the rich man's gate \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_, but instead the mangy dogs licked his open sores. (vv. 20-21)
  4. At death Lazarus received no burial, but he did receive \_\_\_\_\_ as his soul was personally \_\_\_\_\_ by angels to the paradise side of Sheol. (v. 22a)
  5. The rich man also died, and he probably had a huge funeral with all the \_\_\_\_\_ that money could buy; however, there was \_\_\_\_\_ heavenly honors awaiting him in the afterlife. (v. 22b)
  6. Prior to the resurrection of Jesus Christ "*hades*" was a place divided into two compartments...
    - a. The paradise side ("*Abraham's bosom*") was a place of \_\_\_\_\_, and godly \_\_\_\_\_ with other Old Testament saints. (v. 22a)

- b. The “*torment*” side was (and still is) a place of extreme \_\_\_\_\_ in flames. (v. 23)
7. Several things should be noted from verses 23-25...
- a. Abraham and Lazarus were \_\_\_\_\_ in the afterlife, they did not lose their \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 23)
- b. The rich man still viewed Lazarus as subservient to \_\_\_\_\_ him some water. (v. 24)
- c. The rich man was in \_\_\_\_\_ torment; he felt the flames and the \_\_\_\_\_ they brought. (v. 25)
8. Abraham gave two reasons why Lazarus could not bring the comfort that was requested:
- a. The character of the rich man: he had only lived for himself and the “*good things*” in life, with a total disregard for the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 25)
- b. The character of the eternal state: there was a great chasm between the two sides, thus it was impossible to cross over because their places were \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 26)
9. The rich man had full cognitive \_\_\_\_\_ of his former life on earth, and he also had a new-found \_\_\_\_\_ and urgency for his five brothers and their salvation. (vv. 27-28)
10. Abraham’s reply to the man was that the answer was always in the \_\_\_\_\_, and that his brothers needed to \_\_\_\_\_ their \_\_\_\_\_ about the truth found within them. (vv. 29-31)

\* Do you know for certain my friend where you will spend eternity?