

The Stories Jesus Told

The Rich Man and Lazarus

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

Big Question: What does the story of the rich man and Lazarus teach us?

Big Idea:

Scripture is sufficient.

For life in Christ.

For life in faith.

For life in death.

Introduction: *The story of a billionaire and a beggar*

Jesus tells us a story through contrast

- V. #19-21 The contrast of status in life.
- V. #22-24 The contrast of status in death.
- V. #25-31 The contrast of status in faith.

How to apply this parable to your life...

- Know that outward appearance *is not the measure of faith.*
- Know that inner trust in God *is the only measure of faith.*
- Know that care and compassion for others *is the evidence of faith.*

Notes

Discussion Questions:

Question 1

How do you think the rich man felt when he realized he couldn't change his choices after death?

Apply it: What choices can you make now to live a life that honors God and helps others?

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Question 2

Why do you think Jesus uses the story of Lazarus and the rich man to teach about how we should treat others in need?

Apply it: What are some ways you can reach out to someone in need around you?

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Question 3

How do you think we “practice the letter of law” but neglect the heart of the law?

“He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

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