

Lessons from the Rich Man & Lazarus

Luke 16:19-31 Jesus tells the parable.

Difference After They Died

*Rich man was buried- awarded on earth

1 Sa 16:7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.

*Lazarus was carried by God's angels to safety and comfort

DEATH IN CHRIST

Php 1:21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

1 Co 15:54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

Re 2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

DEATH WITHOUT CHRIST

Jude 1:7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

No Second Chances

Heb 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: (one death / one judgement)

Mt 7:21-23 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

The responsibility is ours!

2 Pe 1:10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

Ac 17:31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Ro 2:2 But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.

2 Pe 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

Jude 1:15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

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Thief-Lu 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Judas-Ac 1:25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

We each will go to our own place according to the judgment of truth!

God Knows Us By Name!

I doubt many knew Lazarus by name; he was just a beggar lying at the gate. Most would have known the rich man by name but at the recording in the scriptures we are not told who the rich man was. But the beggar was named and his name was Lazarus! This should be of comfort to all of God's children!

Php 4:3 And I entreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellow labourers, whose names are in the book of life.

Re 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Re 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Re 22:14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

2 Ti 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

Joh 10:3,14 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

If you are not prepared; then why aren't you?

Joh 10:9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Ac 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved

Heb 5:9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;