

9. Take time to briefly summarize and discuss the 5 truths to help us battle wrongful assumptions.

- a. Your current situation does NOT \_\_\_\_\_ your spiritual worth.
- b. We are \_\_\_\_\_ for what we have and what we don't have.
- c. God sees and knows your \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Not all things are made right this side of \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. Now is \_\_\_\_\_ too late.

9. Are there any other comments or lessons from the message you want to discuss?

### Response – Making it Practical

- 1. What injustice in your life do you need to surrender over to God in trust?
- 2. How can God use you this week to be a blessing and meet the needs of others?

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# Life Group Study Notes

Study based on Luke 16:19-31 - October 16, 2016

We often make assumptions that those who are successful in life have an easy pass into the next. But what if heaven grades us on a totally different curve?

In this message we hear Jesus tell a story that contrasts two individuals who live completely different lives. One has everything, the other has nothing. But when they both die, something unexpected happens.

Jesus tells this story to reveal to us a powerful truth about the Kingdom of God – that what we experience on earth is not always a guaranteed foreshadowing of what is to come.



## Study – Discovering What the Bible Says

1. Can you, in one sentence, summarize the teaching of last week's study or sermon?

### Read Luke 16:19-31

2. What stands out to you about the description of the rich man's life? What about the poor man's life?
3. Lazarus means: One who \_\_\_\_\_ helps. Do you see this as ironic? Fitting?

4. In the parable, Lazarus goes to heaven while the rich man goes to "the place of the dead". What does the shocking role reversal of the afterlife teach you about how to handle some of life's injustices?

5. Read Psalm 37:1-9. How does this Psalm follow along a similar theme to this parable?

6. How does the rich man's attitude change after he has died? How does it stay the same?

7. What does Abraham's response to the rich man in verses 25-26 teach you about the importance of how we choose to live out our days on earth?

8. In the parable, Lazarus never says a word. What do you make of this?