

**The Rich Man and Lazarus:
The Self-Indulgent vs. The Man of Faith
Luke 16: 19-31**

1 A difference in life

- a. Rich man nameless;
Lazarus named
- b. Rich man wealthy;
Lazarus poor
- c. Rich man healthy;
Lazarus disabled
- d. Rich man lived in luxury
and extravagance;
Lazarus begged, being helpless

2 A difference in death:

***Lazarus died
and was escorted to Paradise;
rich man died and was buried***

3 A difference in eternity

- a. Rich man in hell,
Lazarus in Paradise
- b. Rich man *saw* glory;
Lazarus was *in* glory
- c. Rich man was alone;
Lazarus had fellowship
- d. Rich man had burning sensation;
Lazarus had water
- e. Rich man tormented;
Lazarus comforted
- f. Rich man remembered his former life;
Lazarus was silent
- g. Rich man was fixed in hell;
Lazarus was fixed in Paradise

19 “There was a rich man

who was dressed in purple and fine linen
and lived in luxury every day.

20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus,
covered with sores

21 And longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table.
Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

22 The time came when the beggar died
and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side.
The rich man also died and was buried.

23 In hell,
where he was in torment,
he looked up and saw Abraham far away,
with Lazarus by his side.

24 So he called to him,
‘Father Abraham,
have pity on me
and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water
and cool my tongue,
because I am in agony in this fire.’

25 But Abraham replied,
‘Son, remember that in your lifetime
you received your good things,
while Lazarus received bad things,
but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.

26 And besides all this,
between us and you a great chasm has been fixed,
so that those who want to go from here to you cannot,
nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

<p>h. Rich man agonized for loved ones; Lazarus was settled in eternity</p>	<p>27 He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father’s house,</p> <p>28 For I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’</p> <p>29 “Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’</p>
<p>i. Rich man begged for another chance; Lazarus was silently at peace</p>	<p>30 ‘No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’</p>
<p>j. Rich man was unable to intercede for his family; Lazarus was at rest in God’s promises</p>	<p>31 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.’”</p>