

# HEAVEN & HELL

**Luke 16:19-31 = 19** "Now there was a **rich man**, and he habitually dressed in purple and fine linen, joyously living in splendor every day. **20** "And a **poor man named Lazarus** was laid at his gate, covered with sores, **21** and longing to be fed with the crumbs which were falling from the rich man's table; besides, even the dogs were coming and licking his sores.

## 1. CONTRAST

**A. PROSPEROUS** = Rich man who had great clothes and a great life every day

**B. POOR** = Lazarus was poor and in poor health and terrible living conditions

**22** "Now the **poor man died** and was **carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom**; and the **rich man also died** and was buried. **23** "**In Hades** he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his bosom.

## 2. CONNECTION = SIMILARITY

**A. END** = of Earthly Life = DEATH

**B. ETERNITY** = **HEAVEN** or **HELL**

**24** "And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus so that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue, for I am in agony in this flame.' **25** "But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that **during your life** you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus bad things; but now he is being comforted here, and you are in agony. **26** 'And besides all this, between us and you there is a **great chasm fixed**, so that those who wish to come over from here to you will not be able, and that none may cross over from there to us.'

## 3. CRY = of Rich Man to Father Abraham

**A. RELIEF** = Wanted relief from suffering in Hell

**B. REJECTED** = Request rejected because of great chasm fixed between Heaven & Hell.  
He rejected Heaven because he paid no attention to Eternity when he was on Earth.

**27** "And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, that you send him to my father's house **28** for I have **five brothers -in order that he may warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'** **29** "But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' **30** "But he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' **31** "But he said to him, '**If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.'** "

## 4. CONCERN = for Loved Ones

**A. WARN** = my five brothers so they don't end up in Hell with me

**B. WORD** = of God (Scriptures) are enough without the Supernatural

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**John 8:31-32 = "31** So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in **My word**, then you are truly disciples of Mine; **32** and you will know the **truth**, and the **truth** will make you free."