

SMALL GROUP Q'S

The Poor Rich Man

March 25, 2018

Luke 16:14-31

- 1.) Why do you think Jesus talks so much about rich and poor, the dangers of wealth, and the eternal gravity of these issues? Do we in our culture have similar blind spots to the culture he was addressing?

- 2.) How does the parable paint a dramatic reversal of fortunes that shows Jesus turns our eternal expectations upside-down? What part of this sticks out the most to you?

- 3.) Who comes to mind for you when you consider the seriousness and sobriety of hell? Do you think you take eternity as seriously as you should? Why or why not?

- 4.) What is the difference between Jesus seeking to scare us and Jesus seeking to warn us? How do you see this challenging passage as a loving and gracious warning?

- 5.) What is your interaction with people who have more material poverty than you? Does it reflect God's heart for the poor, and how could it do so more? What step will you take to pursue this? (HINT: Consider Lev 19:10, Deut 15:7-11, Is. 58:6-7, Amos 5:11-24, Zech 7:9-10, Prov 14:21,31, 21:13, Luke 14:13, James 2, and I John 3:17.)

- 6.) TRUE or FALSE: Biblical repentance turns from sinful living to holy living. (HINT: Don't forget true repentance turns first & foremost from sin/self to Jesus for forgiveness & a new heart that can bear fruit.)



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