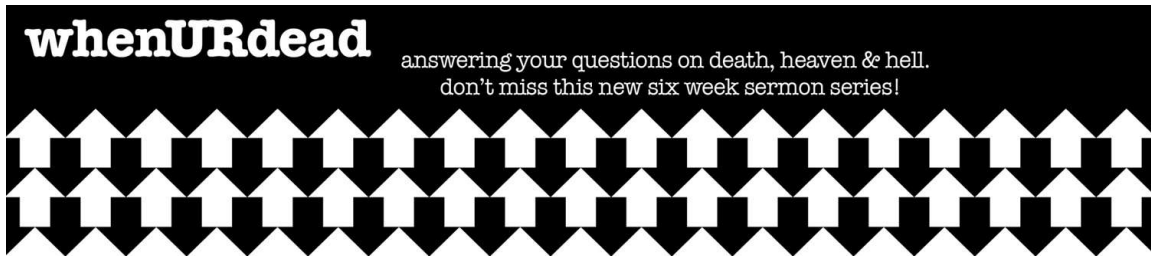


Bible Study for Life Groups to use as follow-up to this weeks sermon.



the dead speak and some of them are not happy

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What was the most terrifying book or movie you have ever read or watched? How did it affect you? Did it remind you of hell or did you just laugh it off as fiction?

Luke 16:19-31

Jews looked at prosperity as the mark of a good man or one favored by God and heaven. In their eyes, Lazarus was accursed by God and should never have ended up in Abraham's bosom. Do we have a similar view today?

- 2) Compared to Lazarus, what was the rich man's earthly life like? Where did Lazarus live? Who was more sensitive to Lazarus than the rich man? (v.21) What was the rich man's sin?
- 3) Think about the conversation between Abraham and the rich man. What parts of our "humanness" (senses, memory, etc.) will we still have in eternity? What does this teach us about heaven and hell?
- 4) What were the four types of torment discussed in the sermon?

- 5) Look up the following verses and note how hell is described:
 - 2 Peter 2:4 "...pits of _____"
 - Mark 9:43 "...go into hell, into the _____"
 - Luke 13:27, 28 What is going on "in that place?" _____
Who do they see? _____
Where are they? _____

Does Luke 16:23 and 24 support the above verses?

Application:

Read Matthew 25:31-46. Who is at your doorstep? How are you treating them? Are you treating those around you as you would Christ or is your focus only on yourself and this present life?

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