

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY OUTLINE

### I. EARTHLY INEQUITIES (LUKE 16:19-21)

1. What is a parable? Use a Bible Dictionary to define. (A parable has been defined as: "A simple story illustrating a spiritual truth or moral lesson; an earthly story with a heavenly meaning.")
2. Who was Jesus addressing when He told the parable recorded Luke 16:19-31? Luke 16:14a
3. How does Jesus describe this group? Luke 16:14b
4. What does the Bible say about the love of money? 1 Timothy 6:10
5. How did the Pharisees treat Jesus? Luke 16:14c
6. Who is the first character introduced in this parable? Luke 16:19a
7. Describe the rich man's life style. Luke 16:19bc (The rich man is sometimes referred to as "Dives" because "rich" means "dives" in Latin.)
  - v. 19b \_\_\_\_\_
  - v. 19c \_\_\_\_\_
8. What is the name of the second person introduced in this parable? (His name means "he whom God helps.") Luke 16:20a
9. What was the condition of the second character? Luke 16:20
  - v. 20a \_\_\_\_\_
  - v. 20b \_\_\_\_\_
10. Discuss the contrasts of the two characters earthly condition and life style.
11. What was Lazarus' desire and only source for food? Luke 16:21a
12. Who normally ate the food that Lazarus desired? Mark 7:28
13. What indignity besides Lazarus' poverty, hunger, and sickness did he have to endure? Luke 16:21b
14. What do you think the rich man should have done?

15. What does the Bible teach us about helping the less fortunate? Sum up each teaching.

Deuteronomy 15:7-11 \_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 28:27 \_\_\_\_\_

1 John 3:17-18 \_\_\_\_\_

## II. ETERNITY'S ADJUSTMENTS (LUKE 16:22-31)

16. What common thing happened to both Lazarus and the rich man? Luke 16:22

17. What should the common outcome to both men teach us? 2 Corinthians 5:10; Hebrews 9:27

v. 10 \_\_\_\_\_

v. 27 \_\_\_\_\_

18. Contrast the state of Lazarus and the rich man after death:

Luke 16:22b      Lazarus

Luke 16:22d, 23a      The rich man

19. What was the rich man able to observe after death? Luke 16:23b

20. What was the first plea of the rich man in death? What's strange about his plea? Luke 16:24

21. What was the cause of the rich man's agony? Luke 16:24

22. What picture of heaven and hell is revealed in this parable? What appears to be the general belief about heaven and hell today?

23. Why do you think the rich man thought he would or could receive help from Lazarus?

24. What was the rich man asked to remember? Who addressed this man Luke 16:25ab

25. What did Abraham say about the reversal of fortune and misfortune? Luke 16:25c

26. What limitations are put on people after death? (This explains why the rich man's request could not be made.) Luke 16:26

27. What was the second plea of the rich man? What does this reveal about him? Luke 16:27-28

28. What was Abraham's response to the rich man's request? What was Abraham letting him know was available for those living? Luke 16:29

29. What did the rich man believe was necessary for his brothers to change their ways? Luke 16:30

30. If Lazarus had been permitted to go back what would have been the consequence? Luke 16:31

31. What in Abraham's answer refers to the Scripture? Luke 16:31a

32. What do you think Luke 16:31 alludes to? John 5:39-40, 46; Acts 3:11-26