

ONE MINUTE AFTER YOU DIE!

What the MEDIA will never tell you,
What PEOPLE want to avoid at a funeral,
But what EVERYONE needs to know!

How to NOT Be Surprised One Minute after You Die! Part 2

Lesson 4

Observations about Luke 16:19-31

- It is the **one place** in **Scripture** where we have the personal testimony of someone who has been to hell.
- It focuses on the **two periods** of life **every** person will experience.

Life **BEFORE** Death (vv. 19-21) ◀ **DEATH** ▶ (v. 22) Life **AFTER** Death (vv. 23-31)

- It answers **three questions** people have about Hell:
 - 1st Question:** *What happens one minute after people die and go to hell?*
 - 2nd Question:** *Who will be surprised to be in hell?*
 - 3rd Question:** *How can I go to heaven and not be surprised to be in hell?*

Why Are People Sent to Hell?

People Are Sent to Hell Because They Choose to **REJECT** What the Scriptures Say about Sin, the Savior, and Salvation.

How to NOT Be Surprised One Minute After You Die:

1. Check YOUR RESPONSE to the Scriptures: Am I HEARING what God Has Said and is Still Saying? (16:27-31; 24:25-27; 44-49)

- The **Request:** *Do more SIGNS!*
- The **Complaint:** *Your Word is not SUFFICIENT!*
- How did people in general **respond** to the greatest sign of all? *John 11:45-48, 53-54; Matthew 27:64*

"Consequently faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the preached word of Christ." Romans 10:17 NET
"The point is, Before you trust, you have to listen. But unless Christ's Word is preached, there's nothing to listen to." MSG

"The law and the prophets were in force until John; since then, the good news of the kingdom of God has been proclaimed, and everyone is urged to enter it. But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one tiny stroke of a letter in the law to become void." Luke 16:16-17 NET

- Those who have truly "heard" have been **PERSUADED** to trust and obey the Scriptures. *Luke 16:31; 17:1-4; 28:23-30; 26:28-29*

2. Check YOUR RESPONSE to Your Sin: Am I REPENTING Now Instead of Later? (16:30)

- What is repentance? *Acts 20:21; 1Thessalonians 1:9-10*
- How important is repentance to our salvation? *Luke 3:8; 5:32; 11:32; 13:3, 5; 15:7, 10; 24:47; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 5:31; 8:22; 11:18; 17:30; 20:21; 26:20*

3. Check YOUR RESPONSE to the Savior: Am I BELIEVING in Jesus Christ as the Sacrifice for My Sins and the Lord of My Salvation? (16:14; 17:17-19; 24:25-27, 44-47)

WHAT Must We Believe about Him?

- Who He IS: God in the flesh! Fully God and Man!
- What He SAID: I am the way, the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father except through Me!
- What He DID and still does: He died on the Cross for our sins, was truly dead and buried, rose from the dead to enter into His glory and to give us eternal life by faith alone in Him alone!

"For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures," 1Corinthians 15:3-4

HOW Do We Believe in Him? Luke 24:30-32

"[the risen Christ] God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins." Acts 5:31

"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent," Acts 17:30

"testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21

"[Paul] declared first to those in Damascus and in Jerusalem, and throughout all the region of Judea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent, turn to God, and do works befitting repentance." Acts 26:20

4. Check YOUR RESPONSE to God's Salvation: Am I BEARING the Fruit of Repentance and Saving Faith?

Am I Following the Lord in Living a Changed Life that...

- LIVES the Gospel: Live differently!
- DOES the Gospel: Love differently!
- SHARES the Gospel: Speak differently!

Will YOU Be Surprised to Be in Hell?

- Make sure today that you are 100% sure that if you died today, you would go to heaven and not to hell.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Jn. 3:16

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12-13

- Absolutely no one is saved apart from others *praying* for them and others *preaching* the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them! But more and more people are often won first to *our community* before they are won to *our Christ!*

WHO are you PRAYING to be saved from hell?

WHO are you SHOWING the love of Christ by being in community with them?

WHO are you SHARING the message of salvation with?