

## Week Five: The Rich Man and Lazarus

### Psalm 103:1-4

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Bless the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all his benefits. ℟

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He redeems your life from destruction, he crowns you with kindness and compassion. ℟

### Conversation Starter

1. Your house, containing all you own, catches fire. After saving loved ones and pets, you have time to make a final dash to save one item. What would it be, and why?
2. Tell about a time you were forgotten or overlooked. How did you feel?



*The Rich Man and the Poor Lazarus*, c. 1625 (Hendrick ter Brugghen)

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**WRAP with the Gospel - Luke 16:19-31**

“There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man’s table... When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.’ Abraham replied, ‘My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, send him to my father’s house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.’ But Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.’ He said, ‘Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ Then Abraham said, ‘If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.’”

Write .....

Reflect .....

Apply .....

Pray .....

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### **Going Deeper Questions**

1. In your experience, what makes showing mercy easy and joyful?
  
2. In your experience, what makes showing mercy challenging?

### **Group Action**

Schedule a one-on-one meeting with your group leader to pray WRAP together and talk about what you are taking away from this small group study so far.

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