After This Life Immediately After Death... Luke 16:19-26

For "Many," Every <u>Description</u> of Heaven they Ever Heard will <u>PALE</u> in the light of <u>Reality</u>

For "Others," <u>Death</u> will be FAR <u>Worse</u> than they EVER <u>Imagined</u>.

There's No Destination Between these 2 Extremes...Gladness or Gloom.

Today, Jesus shares A Very <u>REAL Report</u> about two very <u>REAL Men</u>.

WHAT You'll Discover Immediately After Death...

- 1. ALL EARTHLY PROSPERITY OR EARTHLY SUFFERING IS ENDED. (vv. 19-21)
- This *Rich Man* was *NOT <u>Condemned</u>* because of his *WEALTH NOR* was *Lazarus <u>Saved</u>* because he was *POOR*.
- The RICH MAN is Extremely Wealthy & LAZARUS was Destitute beyond Understanding
- They DID have One Thing IN COMMON...they BOTH DIED.
- This "TENT" was Never Intended or Designed to Last Forever. (2 Corinthians 5:1)
- Both Men DIED & their Death Changed EVERYTHING.
- 2. Immediately After Death, YOUR ETERNITY WILL BEGIN. (vv.22-23)
- Death is the **Beginning** of a **Whole New Existence** in **Whole New World**. (James 2:26)
- The <u>Moment these men DIE</u> they <u>Instantaneously</u> Begin to experience their <u>Eternal</u> <u>Positions</u>. (v.22)
- As both <u>Pass</u> through <u>Death's Door</u> an <u>Amazing Reversal</u> Occurs.
- <u>Lazarus</u> <u>Died</u> & <u>Angels</u> <u>Carried</u> him into the "<u>Presence</u> & <u>Joy</u> of the Lord" (Abraham's Bosom)
- There was NO Waiting Period for him to Enter Eternity. (2 Corinthians 5:5-8)
- 3. Immediately After Death, YOUR ETERNITY WILL BE SET FOREVER. (vv. 24-26)
- There are 2 Eternal Destinations for the Soul...Place of Comfort or a Place of Torment.
- <u>WHEN</u> (Not IF) you <u>DIE</u>, you'll **Immediately** find yourself experiencing Eternity <u>Somewhere</u>
- Once our <u>Lives</u> are Over HERE...there will be NO Opportunity to <u>Change</u> our <u>Destiny</u> THERE. (v.26)
- Jesus makes it CLEAR...you WILL spend Eternity Somewhere.
- DON'T be Content with "I THINK So" or "I HOPE So." (1 John 5:13)