SEND HIM TO MY FATHERS HOUSE LUKE 16

Text: Luke 16:27

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Introduction:

The passage of scripture that we have just read is a true story about a literal place called Hell. There are several things that could be said or brought to light concerning Hell. Notice those that go to Hell continue to feel, hear, and communicate, as well as have desires. Not only this but those in Hell continue to remember. Remember the blessings in life, as well as each time the Gospel was refused.

I want to call attention to some things this morning about this place called Hell, and those that are there and headed there.

1. WHAT THIS MAN NEVER ASK FOR.

- A. He did not ask, "Why am I here?"
 - 1. That would seem to be the first question that one would ask.
 - 2. He knew why he was there; someone had shared the truth and the gospel with him.
 - a. Notice what he says in verse 30.

(Luke 16:30) "And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent."

- 1. He knew that being saved was required.
- 3. If you die and go to Hell, you to will not question "Why" you will know.
- B. He did not ask, "Why is Lazarus in Heaven."
 - 1. Quiet possibly Lazarus was the one who had shared the Gospel with this man.
 - 2. But he knew that in order for Lazerus to go to Heaven that he had to be saved.

- 3. I hear folks say, "If so and so is going to Heaven then I must be OK.
 - a. There is only one way to Heaven.
 - 1. Through Jesus Christ.
- 4. If you die and go to Hell, you'll not question Why someone else went to Heaven.
- C. He never asks, "When is this torment going to end?"
 - 1. All this man asks for was mercy; he knew that the torment was not going to end.
 - 2. All who go to Hell will suffer torments for eternity.
- D. He never asks, "When do I get out?"
 - 1. Again he had heard the truth.
 - 2. He knew that he was never getting out.

- 3. All that go to Hell never get out except to stand before the Lord at the Great White Throne Judgment, and be sentenced to the Lake of Fire for eternity.
- E. He never asks for justice.
 - 1. Justice had been served.
 - 2. A man or woman, teenager, boy or girl that has reached the age of knowing that they are a sinner, who die without accepting Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour receive justice in going to Hell.

(Exodus 34:7) "Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation."

- F. He never ask for a new plan of salvation.
 - 1. I'm sure that those in Hell a crying out: "Tell them the old old story of Jesus and His love."
 - 2. I'm sure those in Hell are encouraging preachers to preach the truth.

- 3. We don't need new ways; we need to give the gospel clear and plain, strait forward and to the point.
- G. He never asked for company.

Illustration:

People in the hospital like visitors. People in jail like visitors

- 1. This man was not interested in visitors.
- 2. The message being sounded in Hell for all its occupants is, "Don't let anyone else come here."

2. WHAT THIS MAN DID ASK FOR.

A. A drop of water. (vss 24)

(Luke 16:24) "And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame."

B. A soul winner & a preacher for his family. (vss 27-28)

(Luke 16:27-28) "Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: {28} For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment."

3. WHAT SHOULD WE BE ASKING?

- A. Have I trusted Jesus Christ as my Saviour?
 - 1. If not when am I planning on doing it?
- B. Are we doing all that we can to keep folks out of Hell?

Close:

As we look around us all the fields are white, Ripened unto harvest and so swiftly come the night. Christians must get busy, there is work to do. Here's the urgent task awaiting you.

Christ our loving Shepherd went out from the fold Seeking for the stray one that was lost in darkness cold Tender hands of kindness, raised him from the ground Now the little lost one had been found.

Check your fold my Christian, are the children in? Are there yet some straying, lost in blackened fields of sin? You must go and reach them, go without delay Soon the shades of night will end the day.

Souls are crying, men are dying, Won't you lead them to the cross?

Go and find them, help to win them, Win the lost at any cost.

Go out and win, rescue from sin, Days almost done, low sinks the sun,

Souls are crying, men are dying, Win the lost at any cost.