

**SERMON NOTES**  
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**LifeNext**  
Luke 16:19-31

At least one more big event ahead for all of us.

The testimony of Jesus Christ

- **LifeNext is CONNECTED to LifeNow**

- **LifeNext is a CORRECTED version of LifeNow**

*“This man...you nailed to cross...but God raised Him up again.”*  
(Acts 2:23-24)

- **LifeNext is CHASMED off from LifeNow**

(v. 26) *“A great chasm is fixed.”*

Not much communication, not needed

- **People who have LifeNext have LifeNow**

Each day is gift and responsibility.

People and places are not coincidences.

Hope is essential.

## **Luke 16:19-31 (New International Version)**

### **The Rich Man and Lazarus**

<sup>19</sup>"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. <sup>20</sup>At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores <sup>21</sup>and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

<sup>22</sup>"The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup>In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup>So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'

<sup>25</sup>"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'

<sup>27</sup>"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'

<sup>29</sup>"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'

<sup>30</sup>" 'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

<sup>31</sup>"He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "