

Title: Money Matters
Subtitle: Above All Else
Text: Luke 16:26-31
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Subject Matter: Eternity. Loyalties. Warning.

1. Know _____ (v.26)

2. Respect _____ (vv.27-29)

3. Discern _____ (vv.30-31)

Luke 16

26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' **27** And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—**28** for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' **29** But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' **30** And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' **31** He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.' "

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Read **Luke 13:23-30**. Why are passages like this one avoided by so many people, and how are these stern warnings rightly utilized in your own life and in the conversations you have with non-Christians?
2. Read **Matthew 25:31-46**. Here again is a passage that describes one's handling of material wealth as an indicator of one's standing with God. What are some of the wrongheaded excuses one might use to argue against these kinds of clear biblical connections?
3. Read **Romans 1:1-6**. Why does the information in the Bible stand as its own unique proof of God's authoritative voice?
4. Read **Psalms 2:1-3** and **John 5:37-47**. In what ways have you witnessed the natural human aversion to God's ultimate supremacy? In other words, what examples can you cite (from your life or others) of irrationally denying the truth in an effort to be unfettered from God's leadership over some area of life?
5. Read **2 Peter 1:19-21** and **2 Timothy 3:15-17**. What specific motivations do you derive from these two passages?