Week of January 5, 2020 The Rich Man and Lazarus

IMPORTANT NOTE for the Facilitator - During the week before the meeting contact all members of your group. If anyone was absent last week, send a copy of the Guide for this week. **You also must complete a Guide.**

What goals do you have for your group this year? What can you do to help each group member be a more mature disciple?

Encourage your group to spend time on the scripture passages, Luke 16:19-31, and respond to the questions from the Guide BEFORE the meeting time. There is no assigned memory verse this week. Encourage your group to memorize this important story.

Open in Prayer and Welcome/Introductions

Remind the group of DiscipleGroup Guidelines (Confidentiality, Don't Rescue Don't Fix, No Crosstalk, Use Humor Responsibly, Give Everyone a Chance to Share, Use "I "Statements.)

DISCIPLEMAKER QUESTIONS

- At the last gathering we talked about being prepared for the coming Savior. Are there any more thoughts on that? How were your holidays?
- How did your relational investments go this week? Where do you need help?

Ask if anyone memorized the story, Luke 16:19-31. Ask them to share with the group. Ask someone to read the passage.

Ask the group to share their responses to the following:

- How has God spoken to you this week through this passage?
- When have you ever been a Lazarus?
- When have you ever been the rich man?
- What are the needs in our city that we should be addressing?
- What are the needs on your block that you can help?

Ask someone to summarize or retell the passage.

Hand out Guides for the next passage in Luke. Luke 17:1-10, Forgiveness, Faith and Duty.

Close in Prayer.

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Guide

During the week prior to your group meeting, spend some time studying the assigned passage: Luke 16:19-31. How has God spoken to you this week through these passages?

When have you ever been a Lazarus?

When have you ever been the rich man?

What are the needs in our city that we should be addressing?

What are the needs on your block that you can help?

There are no assigned memory verses this week. Did you memorize the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31? Work on it this week to share with the group.

Remember to take this guide with you to the group meeting.