

READ IT

This week's Bible story is

The Parable of the Rich Man

Pentecost



from Luke 16:19-31.

Lazarus goes to heaven; a rich man goes to hell.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Sumptuously
- Chasm
- Abraham
- Torment
- Hades
- Repent
- Agony

Jesus' listeners would have believed that rich and famous people deserved good things, like being blessed by God, while the poor and sick were being punished for sins.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 386-389

Spark Bible page 1155

Family Prayer

Dear Lord, help us recognize those who are in need are not necessarily guilty. Show us that no matter what, people in need should receive our generous help. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 Who can use your help?
- 2 Why did the wealthy man demand service from Lazarus even after death?
- 3 In what ways can wealth and possessions make it difficult to recognize the worth of those in need?
- 4 Each family member should pick a day of the week to act as "servant" and wait upon other family members. Decide ahead of time if each will serve for the entire day, an hour or for a meal.



Eye Spark

Look for those who may have an unmet need.



Ear Spark

Listen. Who is asking for help?

LIVE IT



For families to do together

Together, decorate a container to fill with outgrown or unused toys and clothes to give away.

For younger kids

Draw pictures to pass out as get well cards.

For older kids

Compare this parable to Charles Dickens's *A Christmas Carol*. What similarities can you find?