

WCBC ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE - SEP 15, 2019

TOPIC: TWELVE NT PRAYERS THAT CONNECT

Sermon 3: *A Prayer For Mercy!*

TEXT: Luke 16:19-31

INTRO:

- The Threefold Crucial Questions of Life
- Different Beliefs on Hell
- Robert Ingersoll

The Rich Man's Prayer For Mercy Tells Us About:

I. THE *CERTAINTY* OF HELL: v.23

Note: Luke 16:19-31 is NOT a parable!

Hell - Hebrew word "sheol" and Greek "hades," both meaning, "the place of the dead or the unseen world"

- mentioned 234 x in the Bible; 70 x of them came from the very lips of the Lord Jesus!
- Hell is BENEATH the earth! - Proverbs 15:24

- See Insert On Hell's Original State!

II. THE *CROWD* IN HELL: vv.24,27-31

Note: Hell is composed of different occupants!

1. Judas Iscariot - Acts 1:25
2. Fallen Angels - II Peter 2:4 cf. Rev. 12:4
3. The Beast (Antichrist) & The False Prophet - Rev. 19:20
4. Satan - Rev. 20:10
5. ALL REJECTORS OF THE GOSPEL! - Rev. 20:14-15; 21:8

*Note: John 5:40 = The ONLY reason why people end up in hell!

III. THE *CRY* IN HELL: v.24

1. The souls in hell are conscious - very much alive!

- A. They are in extreme thirst - v. 24
 - B. They are tormented (tortured) by fire forever - v. 24 cf. Mark 9:43
 - C. They are in intense remorse - v. 25a
 - D. They are separated forever - v.26
 - E. They are tormented by WORMS forever - Mark 9:48
 - F. They are in darkness - Matthew 25:30
- *Note: All of the above are FOREVER!

2. The prayers of souls in hell are NOT answered! - vv. 24, 27-31

CONCLUSION: God loves YOU, and wants YOU SAVED TODAY!

Go To Hell!

To the one who claimed to have gotten rid of hell, Voltaire, an outspoken atheist, replied, "I congratulate you, for I have not been able to do that myself!"

On his deathbed, Voltaire addressed his doctor, "I am abandoned by God (after all, he admits he believes in God's existence!) and man. I will give you half of what I am worth, if you will give me six months' life." The doctor replied, "Sir, you cannot live six weeks." Voltaire replied, "Then I shall go to hell, and you will go with me!" Soon after, he expired.

- Paul L. Tan

Verse For Today

"He (God) is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish (in hell), but everyone to come to repentance."

- II Peter 3:9

Food For Thought

"One of the horrors of hell is the undying memory of a misspent life, *"Son, REMEMBER..."* - Paul L. Tan

