

Missions Sunday

The church of Christ on McDermott Road



There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried,

Luke 16:19-22 (ESV)



And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. 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.'

Luke 16:24-26



And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 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.'"

Luke 16:27-31



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The Great Mission!

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



The Great Mission!

To offer "...*eternal life* in Christ Jesus our Lord."

- Romans 6:23

Instead of "...the punishment of *eternal destruction*."

- II Thessalonians 1:9



The Great Command!

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Matthew 28:18-19



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“You who are my disciples, join my mission, and go everywhere and change others into being my disciples, and thus change their eternal destiny.”
(MSV)

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Don't think of church as **where you are** for a few hours each week, but **what you are** each day of the week.

Church isn't what you are sitting through right now, because you are the church, and **you have joined the mission of Jesus** to change eternity for others. Today!



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