

Study Guide

Pray: Pray that God will show you something new in His Word and that you will be fully present as you consider these questions.

Read: Begin by reading Luke 16 straight through, as you would the first chapters of any book.

Discussion Questions:

1. From **verses 1-14**, who is Jesus is speaking to and who is the group that overhears His parable?
2. What accusation does the rich man imply against his manager? And what does the rich man demand of his manager? (**Verses 1-2**)
3. What does the manager do to try and solve his problems? (**Verses 4-7**)
4. From **Luke 16:8**:
 - A. The rich man commends (admires) his manager for being _____.
 - B. Two kinds of people are described, people of this _____ and people of the _____.
5. Read **John 8:12**. Who are the “people of the light” (**verse 8**)? What promise does Jesus make to these people?
6. According to Jesus’ teachings in **verses 10-12**, who can be trusted with true riches?

7. Read **Luke 16:16-17**, **Galatians 3:19- 25**, and **2 Timothy 3:16-17**. After reading these verses what do you think are some purposes of the law?

8. Read **Galatians 2:16 & 21**. Can we be justified before God by keeping the law? Why or why not?

9. From **Acts 13:38-39**; **Romans 10:4**; and **1 Corinthians 15:1-4**, describe the good news of God's kingdom. How can we be justified in God's view?

10. What do you learn from the reading of the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus (**verses 19-31**)?

11. Were there any passages this week you found difficult to understand? Take note of any questions you may have.

12. List any tips or suggestions you have for how to proceed when we encounter passages in the Bible that may be difficult to understand.