

## Visiting Pastor Martin Jensen

### Making Right Choices...Luke 16:19-26

#### Major Decisions/Choices Are Important

- The Lord provides;
- The choices we make now affect us now and in the future – eternity;
- Increasingly, we our young people making poor choices;
- Some are wealthy and many wealthy care/share with others;
- Some that are wealthy are consumed/controlled by their wealth;
- In fact, you don't need to be rich to be consumed/controlled by their wealth;
- “A man that is all wrapped up in himself makes a very small package;
- It is the givers that make a difference in our lives.

#### Lazarus and the Rich Man

- The rich man had no concern for Lazarus – no time for God/man;
- “What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul? (Mark 8:36)”
- What is really important?
- There is only one life...only what is done for Christ that matters;
- There are two destinies – paradise or Hades;
- Lazarus had nothing and now has everything; the rich man had everything and now has nothing – where are the true riches?

#### The Lord Saved Us, Why Not Serve The Lord

- With God, if it is His will, He will provide;
- The rich man was kept outside paradise;
- Who sits at the outside of our lives, god gives to us to share;
- God is a giver...a marvelous giver, so we can share;
- Opportunity sits at the gate of our life in Christ;
- We can give, pray, go...we need to pray for people;
- Isn't amazing how God uses givers to touch others lives;
- Who knows how God will use our gifts?

### **King David and Mephibosheth**

- David cared about people who sat at his gate;
- God uses you/me to answer other's prayers;
- God blesses and helps the poor – little is much when God is involved;
- Ask god to help you minister to those sitting at your gate;
- Message from God...Heaven to gain & Hades to shun;
- Two men, two destinies, 2 conditions, and two requests;
- If you are going to minister to someone at your gate, do it now;
- Who will hear God?
- “Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord” (1 Cor 15:58).

**Make The Right Choices –  
Think About The Choices You Will Make –  
God Wants To Enlarge Your Gate...**