SERMON NOTES

“For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?”

I.  TWO MEN
   A.  Rich Man v. 19
      Note: There is absolutely nothing said to indicate that there was anything wrong with this – the problem is introduced in v. 20 (the beggar). The issue is the rich man’s selfishness - he kept it all to himself.

   B.  Beggar v. 20, 21 (Lazarus – means “God is a ___________)
      Even if you’ve lost ___________________, God is your refuge and strength, and a present help!

II.  TWO DEATHS
   A.  Lazarus v. 22a
   B.  Rich Man v. 22b

III.  TWO DESTINIES
   A.  Rich Man -  “In Hades/hell” – in torment
      1.  The knowledge that there is no _______________ – v. 23, 26
         No “do overs” once you’ve missed Heaven.

      2.  Fire (v. 24)

      3.  _________________ (v. 25 “remember”) (cf. Rev. 21:4)

      4.  The knowledge that your unsaved relatives and friends are headed for this place adds to the torment.

   B.  Lazarus -  At Abraham’s side – Paradise! A place of comfort, consolation, and encouragement. v. 25; John 14:2; II Cor. 5:1,2
      1.  In Heaven we will have a life of fulfillment. Ps. 16:11; I Cor. 2:9

      2.  It will be emptied of anything that brings ________ - Rev. 21:4

      3.  It’s a place of _____________ – a cup of cold water in His Name

      4.  It’s a place of re-union

Rev. 21:16 tells us that heaven is between 1,400 and 1,500 miles CUBED – wide, high, and long. And if you had ____ residents of heaven, which is more than the entire population of the human race in all of human history as far as we know, ... everybody would have ________ acres for himself and ... still there's room left over for public buildings and parks and streets....That tells me that God wants YOU there!!

Contrast Isa. 5:14 – hell has enlarged itself.