

Rich Man & Lazarus

Luke 16: 19-22

I would start off saying this reading is a **Parable**, however Luke didn't start the reciting the words of CHRIST by saying that this was a parable. He started by saying JESUS said these words, **"There was"**

"There was", that indicates that what is about to be told is a true event.

There are 3 main characters mentioned here
which speak,

a certain Rich Man,

a certain beggar named Lazarus,

Father Abraham, in Abraham's bosom

Vrs 22 - Beggar Dies & the angels carry his to
Abrahams Bosom,

Vrs 22- The Rich Man also dies and finds himself
in **Hell/Hades**

What are these 2 places??

Abraham's Bosom – A place of happiness for the
righteous/saved

Hell/Hades – a place of torment for the
wicked/lost

Burton Coffman Commentary

*The Hadean world, as understood by the Jews,
had two distinct places,*

one for the righteous **Abraham's bosom**

Another for the wicked. Hell/Hades

Abraham's bosom A state of felicity (*state of
being happy*) for the righteous

Hell/Hades the state of torment for the wicked

Some will ask about JESUS & the thief on the cross.
Jesus says “Today you shall be with me in
paradise” Luke 23: 43

What is “Paradise” ?

BCC, Paradise ... Ash noted that "In some elements of first-century Judaism, (this word) described the heavenly abode of the soul between death and the resurrection"^(F23)

Without much doubt, this is the meaning here.

Paradise is not identified as the final abode of the blessed.

It is the same as "Abraham's bosom"

Strongs Exhaustive Concordance

2859 Bosom Luke 16: 22 (Abraham's)

κόλπος κόλπος, kol'-pos; apparently a primary word; the bosom; by analogy, a bay:—bosom, creek.

3857 Paradise Luke 23:43 be with me in Paradise

παράδεισος παράδεισος, par-ad'-i-sos; of Oriental origin (compare [H6508](#)); a park, i.e. (specially), an Eden (place of future happiness, "paradise"):—paradise.

Hell/Hades

Depending on the version in the New Testament the words Hell & Hades are used interchangeably

English languages use the word LOVE with many different meanings, Love my wife, Love my dog, Love my car, Love hot dogs

English translators use the word HELL & Hades interchangeably but the Hebrew & Greek language had very specific words they used for Hell or Hades

In the **Old Testament**

7585 Hebrew Hell KJV

sheh-ole'; or שְׁאוֹל sh^e'ôl; from [H7592](#); *hades or the world of the dead* — *grave, hell, pit.*

New Testament

86 Hell Greek KJV Luke 16: 23 (in torment in Hell)

"Hades" or the place (state) of departed souls:—grave, hell

New Testament

1067 Hell Greek KJV Matthew 10: 28 (body & soul in Hell)

a name for the place (or state) of everlasting punishment:—hell.

Hell/Hades

Hell Hebrew sheh-ole'; or hades or the world of the dead—grave, hell, pit.

Hades Greek hah'-dace; - "Hades" or the place (state) of departed souls:—grave, hell

Luke 16: 23 (in torment)

Hell Greek, gheh'-en-nah; Ge-henna, a valley of Jerusalem, used (figuratively) as a name for the place (or state) of everlasting punishment: - "Hell".

Matthew 10: 28 (body & soul in Hell)

Vrs 23 & 24 The Rich man is in torment due to flame,

Vrs 25 Abraham responds, remember when - now the roles are reversed.

You are in torment & Lazarus is comforted

Vrs 26 Abraham continues NO CAN DO, Cannot get you any water

We can't come to you & you can't come to us

So is this the end? Not hardly

Vrs 27-30 explains why how we can know that Judgment day has not occurred

Vrs 27-28 The Rich man asks that Lazarus be sent back to the Rich mans brothers.

Vrs 29 Abraham tells the Rich man they have Moses & the prophets let them hear them

Vrs 31 Abraham speaks, if they won't hear the living neither they won't hear someone who came back from the dead.

This is clear evidence that time as we know it has not ended, since people are still alive on the earth

Hades & **Abraham's Bosom (Paradise)** are real places, each one of us will end up in, if we die before CHRIST comes back at **Judgment Day**

It is a place we are while awaiting our Judgment to be passed that will make the announcement of where we will spend eternity

HEAVEN or **HELL**

A *judgment of GUILTY* since CHRIST never knew **you** due to **YOUR** not following his word while living

A sentence of eternal punishment to be spent in HELL [Matthew 25:41-46](#)

A *judgment of Innocent* since CHRIST was who **you** followed while **YOU** were living –

A sentence of Eternal Life to be spent in Heaven [Matthew 25: 33-40](#)

When you die where will you be while waiting for the Judgment Day??

Abrahams' bosom (**paradise**) which means you go to Heaven, Eternal Life

Or

Hades **in torment** which means you go to Hell & eternal punishment

**Where will you wait for
Judgment Day??**