



THRIVE CHURCH

GROWTH GROUP STUDY GUIDE | SERIES: FOCUS: LEARNING TO SEE CLEARLY

TITLE: THE ONE GOD HELPS

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 16:19-31

One Thing Follow-up

When you are focused on your own need for grace, you will rest in Jesus and the cross.

Q. What does this truth mean to you?

Opening

As Christians, Scripture is our guide. This means all Scripture, not just the warm and fuzzy parts. Scripture can be hard, convicting. Everything we need to know about God and everything God has to say to Christians can be found on the pages of Scripture. Christians need to be people of Scripture now, maybe more than ever.

Series Review

We are continuing in the series this week called Focus: Learning to see clearly. This series will focus on the parables shared by Jesus. These parables will both challenge us and instruct us. This week we will be taught through a meal that our work is to invite all to the table.

Review the Message

Read Luke 16:19

Q. In what ways can we see the rich man's attitude towards God? Have you had a similar attitude?

Read Luke 16:20

Q. Have you had to depend on someone else for your care?

Read Luke 16:21

Q. How might we experience "starving" like Lazarus?

Read Luke 16:22-24

Q. What difference do we see in the death of the rich man and Lazarus?

Q. How do we see this difference play out in their behavior?

Read Luke 16:25-26

Q. What is the reversal that we see in these verses?

Q. Is there another chasm that has been fixed for us?

Read Luke 16:27-30

Q. How have you seen Scripture not be enough for someone to believe?

Q. How has Scripture helped you in your faith?

Read Luke 16:31

Q. What sign are you waiting for to make a decision?

Q. Why is change so hard?

The events of our lives have meaning. What we do with the good gifts and the pain of life matters.

Q. How do you respond in both of these situations?

Q. Where is your mission?

There is a false formula that says “Success=God’s blessing” and “Suffering=God’s displeasure or indifference.”

Q. Share a time when you fell for one of these false formulas.

**Living It Out
Application**

Lazarus. The name means; the one whom God helps.

How did Lazarus get through difficulty? With help from God.

Lazarus’s response to suffering and implied forgiveness in the afterlife was with God’s help.

In our difficulty, we will get through it with God’s help. We cannot equate our difficulty with God’s absence or indifference.



We need to align our life with Jesus.

Q. What is God saying to you through this lesson?

Q. What will you do about it this coming week?

Q. How can we help you?

Prayer:

Q. Are there any specific things we need to pray about or needs to focus on?