

**One Matters**  
**Franklin Heights Church**  
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**Rocky Mount-CrossPointe-Union Hall-Recovery Church-Español-Ferrum College**

Text: Luke 16:19-31 (ESV)

Hebrews 13:14 (NLT)

*For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come.*

James 4:14 (ESV)

*yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.*

Romans 10:1 (ESV)

*Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.*

Luke 16:19 (ESV)

*"There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.*

Luke 16:14 (ESV)

*The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.*

Luke 16:20 (ESV)

*And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,*

Luke 16:21 (ESV)

*who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores.*

**1. One matters because heaven and hell are \_\_\_\_\_ places.**

Luke 16:22-23 (ESV)

*The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side.*

Revelation 21:23 (ESV)

*And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.*

Revelation 21:1 (ESV)

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.*

Revelation 20:14 (ESV)

*Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.*

Matthew 25:41 (ESV)

*“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.*

**2. One matters because heaven and hell are \_\_\_\_\_ places.**

Luke 16:24-26 (ESV)

*And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’*

Matthew 25:46 (ESV)

*And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”*

**3. One matters because heaven and hell are \_\_\_\_\_ places.**

Hebrews 10:29 (ESV)

*How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?*

Luke 16:27-30 (ESV)

*And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’*