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| **RICH MAN: DIVES** | **POOR MAN: LAZARUS** |
| Belief of life and pleasure in matter | -improved state of thought which is accepting a more spiritual idea of being |
| the corporeal belief of selfhood: fed and clothed sumptuously and carefully tended | -spiritual idea of life which is neglected, starved, and granted only a meager allotment of our time and interest |
| material view has a sense of beginning and ending, includes limitation | Beggar thought dies also: through the transforming power of Truth |
| it dies and comes to an end | Replaces the false sense of limitation and suffering with joy and freedom of spiritual harmony and bliss |
| Has no mind or intelligent power to sustain | Poverty, the belief in too little, is replaced with an understanding of Spirit as the only substance |
| Has no relationship with God | God’s infinite abundance reflected by His son in dominion, liberty, righteous activity |
| Believes that material wealth is substance;   |  | | --- | | Material sense begs for its own preservation and gratification of sensuous desires | | Rests in Abraham: illustrates the purpose of Love to create trust in good, and shows the life-preserving power of spiritual understanding (579) |
| Believes in sin and self-indulgence as pleasurable: which leads to suffering and destruction and is buried in regret and remorse |  |