

# GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

## CONNECT

What's the biggest snow storm you can remember? What was it like?

## LEARN & APPLY

What makes money hard to talk about? Jesus taught about money as much as, or more than, any other topic. Why do you think that is?

Read Luke 16:19-31 and discuss the following questions:

- The rich man had very nice things and lived a luxurious lifestyle. Why do we sometimes give possessions a higher priority in life than they deserve?
- He seems to have ignored Lazarus' need. Why are we sometimes uncaring about the plight of the poor?
- By describing the death of both main characters, Jesus makes us think about wealth in light of eternity. What's wrong with thinking about our money and possessions only in light of this present life?
- The rich man wanted Lazarus to warn his family (verses 27-28). What warning would Lazarus have spoken?
- Is there a warning you think you need to hear from this story? What is it?
- What do you think God might be saying to you through this story and how will you respond? Is there an action step of some kind that your group can check-in about next week?

## PRAY

This Lazarus is a fictional character, but his situation is very real in our world. As just one example, the number of homeless families in Ramsey County has risen rapidly in recent years. Pray for them, including the families we hosted in Project Home, and ask God if there's any action He wants you to take.