

MAKE TO YOURSELVES FRIENDS OF THE MAMMON OF UNRIGHTEOUSNESS. (Luke 16:9)

In this story (Luke 16:1-12) three classes of ~~MMMMMMMMMM~~ people are involved. They are:

1. Those who believe that one thing is needful, and choose the better part, who believe in and live for eternity. Luke 10:38-42
 1. This class is not mentioned in the story of Luke 16:1-12.
2. Those who believe in the world, and really live for it. Make no pretense of religion.
3. Those who believe in eternity, and half live for the world.

"WHAT SHALL I DO?" Verse 3

1. Every man must decide "What shall I do?"
2. With this man it was not:
 1. First, the kingdom of God, but
 2. First, what shall he eat, and what shall he drink, and wherewithal shall he be clothed. You have to decide this too.

"FOR THE CHILDREN OF THIS WORLD ARE IN THEIR GENERATION WISER THAN THE CHILDREN OF LIGHT." Luke 16:8

1. What a shame and reproach this is to the children of light.
2. Let us look at the wisdom of this world:
 1. Wiser in their generation: Wise for a little while, and fools forever, as the word generation would indicate: Short time.
2. From what has been said we may infer:
 1. If the children of light lose their souls, and come short of eternal happiness, it will be through their own fault and gross neglect: For we see that men are wise enough for this world: Work hard and diligent to own a part of it. So we see:
 2. If the children of light would use the same prudence and care, make the same sacrifice in the concerns of their souls, they would gain the eternal city in due time.

