



#2 Hell

IS HELL REAL?

1. The Bible refers to hell or final judgment 61 times

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9 (NIV) [God] will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power.

2. Jesus spoke often about the existence of a real hell

Matthew 25:41 "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.'"

3. Jesus provided a glimpse into hell **Luke 16**

NEW TESTAMENT HELL WORDS

- *hades* – the place where the departed human spirits of unbelievers reside in torment, awaiting final judgment; sometimes translated "hell." "Sheol" is the OT equivalent.
- *gehenna* – the smoldering trash dump outside Jerusalem used figuratively as an image of the lake of fire; translated "hell"
- *lake of fire* – the place of final judgment and torment of the lost
- *the abyss* – 'the bottomless pit'; a region of the underworld where some demons are confined ('tartarus'; 2 Peter 2:4)

WHAT IS HELL LIKE?

1. Hell is a place of Agonizing Torment (16:23)
2. Hell is a place of Conscious Existence (16:23-24)
3. Hell is a place of Physical Sensation (16:24)
4. Hell is a place of Regretful Remembrance (16:25)
5. Hell is a place of Final Justice (16:25)

6. Hell is a place of Fixed Separation (16:26)
7. Hell is a place No One would want others to go to (16:28)
8. Hell is a place only avoided by Listening to God's Word and Repenting (16:30-31)

COMMON QUESTIONS ABOUT HELL

- *Is hades different than the lake of fire?* **YES**
Revelation 20:15
- *Was hell created for people or the devil?* **BOTH**
Matthew 25:41
- *Are there degrees of punishment in hell?* **APPARENTLY**
Matthew 10:15; 16:27
- *Will hell be a place of literal fire and brimstone?* **MAYBE**
- *Do any modern-day, sophisticated people really still believe in a literal hell?* **YES**
- *Why does hell have to be so horrific?* **TO REVEAL THE REAL HORROR OF THE UNIVERSE – SIN AGAINST GOD**
- *How could God cause this or even allow this if He is loving?* **HE IS LOVING, BUT HE IS MORE THAN LOVING**
- *Do unbelieving sinners suffer in hell forever?* **APPARENTLY**
Matthew 25:46
- *Do people in hell ever get a second chance?* **IT DOESN'T APPEAR SO**

WHO WILL GO TO HELL?

Revelation 20:15 *If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.*

BIBLE READING PLAN

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