

# CARE RESOURCES

## THE TRUTH ABOUT HELL

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### HELL IS A REAL PLACE

1. Lk 16:19-31 treats hell as being as real as any other geographic location.
2. Jesus believed in hell. (Lk 16:19-31; Mark 9:43-48)
3. Where is hell? (Matt 8:12, 22:13; 25:30; 2 Pet 2:17; Jude 1:13). All these verses teach the fact that hell will be outer (away from) darkness. This is the reality of hell: It is absolute, eternal, separation from the presence of God. (2 Thess 1:8-9)

### HELL WILL BE FILLED WITH REAL PEOPLE

1. Hell wasn't made for man. (Matt 25:41)
2. But those who reject Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour will go there. (Matt 7:21-23; Rev 15:11-15)
3. Hell will be filled with real people. People who simply said no to God. Will you be among them? Who do you know that will be?

### HELL CONTAINS REAL PUNISHMENTS

Hell is a place of pain and torment. Here are some of the torments that hell contains:

1. **Unquenchable Fire** – Mark 9:43; Luke 16:24
2. **Memory and remorse** – Ill. Rich man – "Son remember" 25, 27-28
3. **Intense, unsatisfied thirst** – Luke 16:24-25
4. **Misery and pain** – Luke 16:24-26; Rev. 14:10-11
5. **Frustration and anger** – Luke. 13:28; Matt. 24:51
6. **Eternal separation** – Rev. 21:8 – Ill. From what? Everything beautiful!
7. **Undiluted wrath** – Ill. Rainbow, Hab. 3:2! In Hell, God's fury will be unleashed!

### WHAT HELL IS NOT

1. **Annihilation** – Rev. 19:20; 20:10! Rev. 14:10
2. **A Temporary Place of Purging** – v. 26
3. **Hell is not the grave** – v. Ill. 22-23
4. Hell is not a parable, and it is not a scare tactic. It is reality and it is waiting on you if you are outside Jesus Christ today!

### TEN FACTS ABOUT HELL

Hell is a place as is Heaven. It is a place away from the presence of the Lord God and is prepared for Satan and his demons and those who do not obey the Gospel of Christ will also go there.

Paul told the Thessalonians that Jesus would be revealed from Heaven, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who

shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power (2 Thessalonians 1:8-9, KJV).

**With this in mind, please note these ten facts about Hell.**

1. Fact One: Hell is likened to a lake of fire into which the wicked will be cast alive (Revelation 19:20; 20:15).
2. Fact Two: Hell is likened to a bottomless pit (Revelation 20:1).
3. Fact Three: Hell was prepared for the Devil and his angels (Matthew 25:41).
4. Fact Four: Hell is a place of everlasting punishment (Matthew 25:46).
5. Fact Five: Hell is a place where one can never repent (Matthew 12:32).
6. Fact Six: Hell is a place of torments (Luke 16:23).
7. Fact Seven: Hell is a place where the worm dies not and the fire is not quenched (Mark 9:46).
8. Fact Eight: Hell is a place of everlasting destruction from the presence of God (2 Thessalonians 1:6-10).
9. Fact Nine: Hell is a waterless place with no exit (Luke 16:24-26).
10. Fact Ten: Hell is a place of outer darkness, weeping, and gnashing of teeth (Matthew 25:30).

Hell is not a place that any rational thinking person would want to go or want anyone else to go. Those who are unrighteous will be in Hell. Obey the Gospel of Christ today to avoid the horrors of this place in eternity.

**FIVE MORE FACTS ABOUT HELL**

*“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.’ . . . and these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.” Matthew 25:41, 46*

**1. Hell is Real**

Jesus spoke about hell often. He said, *“But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him.”* (Luke 12:5) Jesus never hinted that hell is an imaginary place. Hell is real.

**2. Hell is Eternal**

*“And the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”* (Revelation 20:10) Some people think that when Christians go to Heaven, non-believers simply won't exist anymore. That isn't true. The Bible tells us that we will either go to eternal punishment or eternal life. (Matthew 25:46)

**3. You Can't Escape Hell By Being Good**

Many people believe that they are good enough for Heaven, and that only “really bad” people go to hell. But what does the Bible say? John 3:18 says *“whoever doesn't believe is condemned already.”* It's not about being good enough. It is about believing and accepting Jesus Christ.

**4. There are No Second Chances**

Some people believe they will get another chance to receive Jesus after they die. However, scripture doesn't tell us we have another chance. Hebrews 9:27 says *“people are destined to die once and after that to face judgement.”* There isn't a second chance to accept Christ.

That's why ". . . now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2).

#### 5. God is Always Right

Does it seem unfair that God would condemn someone to eternal punishment for their sins? Even the Bible writers asked: "*What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means!*" (Romans 9:14)

**All of us have sinned against God (Psalm 51:4). But God freely offers us eternal life with Him.**

- All you have to do is accept Him.
- Praise God for sending Jesus to die on the cross to cleanse us of our sins.
- God made a way for us to be cleansed and rescued from hell!

#### **HELL CAN BE AVOIDED THROUGH A REAL PROMISE**

1. The rich man is told that the Word of God holds the answer.
2. It still does
  - It tells us of God's love for sinners – John 3:16.
  - Of Christ's death to save them – Isa. 53:1-12; Rom. 5:6-8; 2 Cor. 5:21.
  - Of Christ's resurrection that guarantees eternal life to all who come to him by faith – Matt. 28:6; John 11:25-26.
3. It tells of a God who will save all who will come to Him by His grace.
4. But if you die without Jesus Christ, you will most certainly go to hell. If you go to hell, you will be there forever, with one little exception. (Rev 20:11-15)

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