

So You're Dead... Now What? (2) Hell

*75% of people believe in **HEAVEN!***

*40% of people believe in **HELL!***

*If I could convince you that **HELL** is **NOT REAL...** or **NOT THAT BAD...** **TWO THINGS** would happen...*

- 1. **UNBELIEVERS** around the world would reject **JESUS** easily...
having **NO REAL FEAR OF GOD** whatsoever!*
 - 2. You would be incredibly **UNMOTIVATED...** to **SHARE YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST...**
with **OTHER PEOPLE!***
-

WHY DOES HELL EXIST?

WHY... would **GOD...** a **LOVING GOD...** **ALLOW** a **PLACE...**
CREATE a **PLACE...** like **HELL...** in the **FIRST PLACE?**

*Two Biblical Reasons... as to **WHY HELL EXISTS...***

- 1. **HELL EXISTS...** for **GOD...** to deal **RIGHTEOUSLY...** with **SATAN!***
-

***Matthew 25:41...** Depart from me... you who are cursed... into the **eternal fire** prepared for... the **DEVIL** and his angels.*

- 2. **HELL EXISTS...** for **GOD...** to deal **RIGHTEOUSLY...** with **UNBELIEVERS!***
-

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9...** He will punish those... **WHO DO NOT KNOW GOD...

WHO DO NOT OBEY THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS.

*...They will be **PUNISHED** with **EVERLASTING DESTRUCTION** and they will be **SHUT OUT** from the **PRESENCE OF THE LORD** and from the **MAJESTY OF HIS POWER.***

Luke 16:19... There was a **RICH MAN** who was **DRESSED IN PURPLE** and **FINE LINEN** and he **LIVED IN LUXURY EVERY DAY...**

Verse 20... At his gate was laid... a **BEGGAR...** named **LAZARUS**.

Verse 22... The time came when the **beggar died** and the angels carried him to **Abraham's side**.

Verse 22b... The **rich man also died** and he was buried. In **Hades**, where he was in **torment...**

Verse 24... So he calls out to him... 'Father Abraham... **please, please, please...** have pity on me and send Lazarus to **dip the tip of his finger in water** and **cool my tongue...** because I am in **AGONY** in this **FIRE!**'

WHAT ELSE WE KNOW ABOUT HELL... from the BIBLE?

We **KNOW** that **HELL** is a place of **UNSPEAKABLE SUFFERING!**

Matthew 5:29-30... If your **RIGHT EYE** causes you to sin... **GOUGE IT OUT** and throw it away... because it's better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be... to be thrown into **HELL!** And if your **RIGHT HAND** causes you to stumble... **CUT IT OFF** and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body... to go into **HELL!**

Revelation 14:10-11... Those who worship the beast will drink of the wine of **God's fury...** which has been **poured full strength** into the cup of **his wrath!** He will be **TORMENTED** with **BURNING SULFUR** in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb. And the smoke of their **TORMENT** rises... **FOR EVER** and **EVER!** There will be... There will be **NO REST... DAY** or **NIGHT...** for those who worship the beast and his image... for anyone who receives the mark in his name.

WHAT ELSE DO WE KNOW ABOUT HELL... from the BIBLE?

We know that it's a place that's called a **FIERY FURNACE!**

It's called a place of **BURNING SULFUR!**

It also says that in **HELL...** there will be **WEEPING** and **GNASHING OF TEETH!**

*It's a place described as the **OUTER DARKNESS!***

HELL IS VERY REAL!!

~ GEHENNA ~

Verse 27-28... *"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, 28 for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'*

FOUR Distinct Lessons that we can learn from the **OTHER SIDE...**

1. We need to **ACKNOWLEDGE...** the **RICH MAN** was **FULLY CONSCIENCE!**
 2. His **ETERNAL DESTINY...** was **IRREVOCABLY FIXED!**
 3. He **KNEW** that he was **EXPERIENCING... JUST THAT!**
 4. He **PLEADED** for **SOMEONE...** to **HELP HIS LOVED ONES... KNOW JESUS!**
-

HELL IS VERY MUCH REAL... *Either we BELIEVE IT... or we DON'T...?*

AND IF WE DO... OUR LIVES SHOULD DRAMATICALLY BE DIFFERENT... SHOULDN'T THEY?
