

## Lesson 3

### Eternity = Heaven or Hell

Two places in eternity that we can go: heaven or hell. Each one of us has a choice to make. We are not able to determine how to pay for our sins [rebellion] against the laws of God. Only by Faith, accepting that Jesus made a Way by taking our place and paying the penalty are we offered the release from the penalty of our Sins. Obedience to the commandments of God's revealed Word in Jesus is required. You cannot Love someone and then not have some way to demonstrate that Love. If you Love God and Jesus "His Son" you will want to demonstrate your thankfulness for saving you from the penalty we all deserve and adopting you as His Child through Jesus.

**Mat 7:21-23**

If we sin there is now a way to receive forgiveness because we have an advocate who will speak in our behalf to forgive us if we repent and start again. If we claim we do not Sin then we are blind to the Truth. Such a sad state to be in that we are lost and will not face the Truth of our condition and thus are headed for an eternity without God and all that which comes with HELL.

**1Jn 1:6-10**

In speaking of eternity

**Matthew 25:46**

*"And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life".*

The length of time for the lost in Hell is exactly the same as the length of time for the saved in Heaven, "forever and ever". It is hard for us to understand how long eternity will be but it much longer than anything we have ever experienced.

## Hell

Think about sadness, pain, suffering, and terrible punishment such as we have known and then without ever having relief, this is not as bad as Hell will be. Jesus in describing how horrible Hell will be said:

**Matthew 13:42**

*"And will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth".*

A horrible and terrible place beyond description, Jesus says concerning those who are lost:

**Mark 9:45-46**

*"cast into Hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched: where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched".*

There will be no Hope of ever leaving such a place, because we will have been judged by the highest "Jesus".

**John 12:22-50**

We will bear the responsibility and the consequences should we choose to follow our own way. Jesus in describing a man who went to Hell and is pleading:

**Luke 16:24**

*"Then he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame*

How much relief, and how long would a drop of water last on the tongue of those who are being tormented forever? .....**Warning!** The **Many** who end up in eternal punishment will not be there alone.

**Revelation 20:10**

*"The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever*

Not very good company to be in forever and ever. Notice that the torment goes on "day and night forever and ever". So there is no time of relief!! **Many** people who scoff at the idea of eternal punishment, but are they .....part of the **Many**, who will be lost? The fires will burn for eternity, whether **Many** want to believe it or not. Scoffing will quickly change to weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. Hell is real! There is no way for the horrors of Hell to be adequately described. **Many** people do not realize the danger of eternally losing their souls. This is very serious! Haunting memories of all the opportunities for salvation that **Many** passed up ..... no opportunity for second chances.

**Revelation 14:11,**

*"And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever, and they have no rest day or night."*

**Revelation 20:15**

*"And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire".*

Will your name be found in the Book of Life. How do you know?

On the Day of Judgment .....to find out that it is not there.....

*Now that would be Hell.....*

**Heaven on the other hand!!!!**

**John 14:2-3**

Heaven will be a wonderful place beyond anything we now know.

**1 Corinthians 2:9,**

*"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him."*

Heaven will be the exact opposite of eternal punishment = **Hell.**

**Revelation 21:4**

*"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away".*

There will be no weeping, and no wailing, and no gnashing of teeth as will be happening in eternal torment = **Hell.** But again, the choice is ours, we cannot escape the consequences.

We will not accidentally end up in Heaven.

**John 14:2**

*In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you.*

*I go to prepare a place for you.*

The real question is the one only you can answer. Is He preparing a place for you?

If not there is already a place prepared, that was not for you, but for the fallen angels and the devil = destination Lost in the middle of No Where!

## **Eternity = Heaven or Hell**

1) Those who are lost or unsaved from their Sins will go where?

*Matthew 25:46*

- a. Purgatory.
  - b. Annihilation.
  - c. Everlasting punishment = Hell
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2) There are one of two places in eternity. Where do the saved go? Who is preparing a place?

*John 14:2-3*

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3) Eternal punishment is described as:

*Matthew 13:42*

- a. Furnace of fire .
  - b. Purgatory just for awhile
  - c. Horrible and beyond description
  - d. There will be no eternal punishment.
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4) Eternal punishment is described as:

*Matthew 13:49-50 - Mark 9:43-46 - Luke 16:24*

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5) The fire of hell:

*Mark 9:45-46*

- a. Will never be lit.
  - b. Will soon go out.
  - c. Will never be quenched.
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6) If we end up in eternal punishment we will be able to get a second chance.

*Acts:12 - Romans 10:10 – 2 Corinthians 6:2*

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- 7) If you are Eternally lost .....the punishment will last how long?  
*Revelation 20:10*
- a. 1000 years.
  - b. A short period of time.
  - c. Forever and ever.
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- 8) God does not want any to be Lost. Who was HELL made for?  
Satan will also be punished in the lake of fire and brimstone.  
*1 Timothy 2:4    Matthew 25:41    Revelation 20:10*
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- 9) If our Name is not found in the Book of Life?  
*Revelation 20:15*
- a. We will cease to exist.
  - b. We will be cast into the lake of fire.
  - c. We will have another chance.
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- 10) In Heaven there is an absence of what?  
*Revelation 21:4*
- a. Sorrow and crying.
  - b. Tears and Boo Hoo.ing
  - c. Pain and suffering.
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- 11) People will die, and then what ..... Heaven or Hell?

*John 8:19 Then they said to Him, Where is your father? Jesus said to them, You neither know Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also.*

*John 8:20 Jesus spoke these words in the treasury, as He taught in the temple. And no man laid hands upon Him, for His hour had not yet come.*

*John 8:21 Then Jesus said again to them, I go away, and you shall seek Me and shall die in your sins. Where I go, you cannot come.*

*John 8:22 Then the Jews said, Will he kill himself? Because he says, Where I go you cannot come.*

*John 8:23 And He said to them, You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.*

*John 8:24 Therefore I said to you that you shall die in your sins,  
for if you do not believe that I AM,  
you shall die in your sins.*

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