

A Study on Hell

Text: Although there are many, many more, I wish to submit ten Biblical References concerning Hell, the final home of the unsaved:

1. **Luke 12:4-5** And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. **But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him,** which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; **yea, I say unto you, Fear him.**
2. **Luke 16: 24** (rich man) 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.**
3. **Matt. 7: 13** Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
4. **Matt 3:10 (John Baptist)** And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore, every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, **and cast into the fire.**
5. **Matt. 7: 19** Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, **and cast into the fire.**
6. **Matt. 13: 49-50** So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,⁵⁰ And shall **cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.**
7. **Mark 9: 45** And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be **cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:**
8. **John 15: 6** If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and **cast them into the fire, and they are burned.**
9. **Rev. 20:10** And the devil that deceived them was **cast into the lake of fire and brimstone,** where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and **shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.**
10. **Rev. 20:3-15** And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.¹⁴ **And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire.** This is the second death.¹⁵ **And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.**

Introduction: Two recent polls on *What the US Population Believes* about hell:

The PEW RESEARCH CENTER conducted a poll in 2007 and again in 2014 with the question "DO YOU BELIEVE IN HELL" (according to the PEW Research the poll had a margin of error of 0.6%). The following was the results:

- 59% in 2007 People believed in hell vs 58% in 2014
- 30% in 2007 People do not believe in hell vs 34% in 2014
- 12% in 2007 No response or did not know vs. 8% in 2014
- Poll sampling among Protestant Christians: 86% believed in heaven and 75% believed in hell
- Poll sampling among Millennials (ages 22-38): 68% believed in heaven vs 56% believed in hell

**About 60% Believe
About 40% Don't**

2001 vs 2016 Gallup Poll:

2001-71% People believed in hell vs 64% in 2016

Future- Trending toward Not Believing in hell at all

Regardless of the Opinions of Modern Men--The Bible is crystal clear on the Issue---Hell is and will be the final home of the wicked—

1. Psalms 9: 17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.
2. Proverbs 15:24 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.
3. Isaiah 5:14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.
4. Matt. 11: 23-24 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.²⁴ But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.

The Reality of Hell By: Michael Bradley dated December 28, 2018 (www.bible-knowledge.com)

Without question, the most disturbing, gut-wrenching, and heart-breaking doctrine in all of our Christian faith has to be the doctrine of hell – a place where all of the unsaved will end up and live out the rest of their eternal existence.

Ask a Christian to meditate upon the reality of hell and they will be lucky if they can meditate on it for even two minutes. The reason is, just thinking about this kind of a horrible reality blows all the circuits of the human brain. It's like it just won't fit or go in.

Since our minds have such a hard time accepting such a horrible fate for the unsaved, we immediately thrust it out of our conscious mind because we cannot stand the thought of seeing even our worse enemies spend the rest of their eternal existence in such a horrible place, much less any of our loved ones.

The doctrine is so extreme that many in the liberal part of the Christian Church are trying to take it out, making the argument that there is no way that an all-loving and an all-perfect God could create such a horrible place, much less throw all of the unsaved down there for the rest of their eternal lives.

I believe the language used in the Bible to describe hell is all literal, not metaphoric or symbolic. **Once you die, that is going to be it! Your fate will be forever sealed in either one of two places – heaven for the saved or hell for the unsaved. There are no middle-of-the-road areas for you can go if you do not wish to accept Jesus before you die.**

Plain and simple – God is not messing around with this extreme reality – He has done everything He possibly can do through His Word and through His laborers to try and get it through our thick skulls that there is going to be a final fate and final judgment for every single person that He has ever created.

1) First, Let's look the Location of hell. The Bible is very clear about its location---Two biblical examples:

- **Number 16:28-34** *And Moses said*, Hereby ye shall know that the Lord hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.²⁹If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then the Lord hath not sent me.³⁰But if the Lord make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the Lord.³¹And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them:³²And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods.³³They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.³⁴And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also.
- **Isaiah 14:12-15** How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!¹³For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:¹⁴I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.¹⁵Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

2) Does Modern Science confirm the existence of hell? *Does Science really know what lies beneath us?*

Part 1--- Scientific Facts: Man Knows Little About What Lies Under Our FEET!

Deepest man has traveled under the earth: Tau Tan Gold Mine-S. Africa

- 2.4 miles deep or 6/100th of 1% (.00060%) of the depth to the center of the earth
- 131F degrees is the constant temperature at the bottom of the mine (140F degrees rock temperature)

Deepest place in the ocean: Mariana Trench- Guam

- 6.86 miles deep or 0.0017% of the depth to the center of the earth (center of the earth = 3,959 miles)
- Only 3 men have traveled to this depth- (2 in 1960 and 1 in 2011?)

Man's Deepest Scientific Drilled Hole: The Kola Superdeep Borehole- Kola, Russia

- 7.62 miles deep - 0.0019% of the depth to the center of the earth (center of the earth = 3,959 miles)
- Abandoned in 1992 when drilling temperatures reached 356 degrees F vs expected 212 degrees.

Part 2---Theory: current Scientific Theory made through volcano activity and seismographic testing:

Inside the Earth---National Geographic(<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/science/earth/surface-of-the-earth/earths-interior/>)

The Earth's interior is composed of four layers, three solid and one liquid—not magma but molten metal, nearly as hot as the surface of the sun.

- The deepest layer is a solid iron ball, about 1,500 miles in diameter. Although this **inner core** is white hot, the pressure is so high the iron cannot melt. The iron isn't pure—scientists believe it contains sulfur and nickel, plus smaller amounts of other elements. Estimates of its temperature vary, but it is probably somewhere between 9,000- and 13,000-degrees Fahrenheit.
- Above the inner core is the **outer core**, a shell of liquid iron. This layer is cooler but still very hot, perhaps 7,200 to 9,000 degrees Fahrenheit. It too is composed mostly of iron, plus substantial amounts of sulfur and nickel. It creates the Earth's magnetic field and is about 1,400 miles thick.
- The next layer is **the mantle**. Many people think of this as lava, but it's actually rock. The rock is so hot, however, that it flows under pressure, like road tar. This creates very slow-moving currents as hot rock rises from the depths and cooler rock descends.
- **The crust** is the outermost layer of the Earth. It is the familiar landscape on which we live: rocks, soil, and seabed. It ranges from about five miles thick beneath the oceans to an average of 25 miles thick beneath the continents.

3) What is the Purpose of a hell? It was created for Satan & His Followers” (Fallen Angels and Fallen Man)

- **The Audacity of Rebelling and Opposing God:**
- *Rev. 12:7-9* And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,⁸And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.⁹And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him
- *II Peter 2: 4 & 9* ⁴For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment...⁹The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

4) Let's Look at the Question” Does God, our Creator, have the right to send people to hell?

ADVISE: Judge not God and Judge not the Book that Will One Day Judge You (the Bible).

- Matt 25:41&46 Then shall he (Christ) say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:⁴⁶And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.
- Psalms 103:19 The Lord hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.
- Psalms 135:5-6 For I know that the Lord *is* great, and *that* our Lord *is* above all gods. ⁶Whatsoever the Lord pleased, *that* did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.
- Romans 9:20-22 Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?²¹Hath not the potter power over the clay...*What* if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:
- Isaiah 46: 13 Yea, before the day *was*, I *am* he; and *there is* none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?

5) What will Hell be Like:

Hell will be absent of — rulership, love, peace, happiness, hopes, and dreams.

Hell will be filled with— fire, brimstone, pain, suffering, torment, weeping, regret, and sorrow

Rev. 16: 10-11 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,¹¹ And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

Our Text: (rich man) **for I am tormented in this flame**

- **cast into the fire**
- **cast them into the furnace of fire:**
- **there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth**
- **cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched**
- **shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever**
- **death and hell were cast into the lake of fire.**
- **This is the second death.**

6) Closing---Who will not be in hell? The Bible is very clear--- Those who have been Redeemed or “Born Again” by faith in Jesus Christ.

John 3: 3-10 “Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. ⁴ Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? ⁵ Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. ⁸ The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit. ⁹ Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

Rev. 21: 6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.⁷ He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.⁸ But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Rev 20: 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.