

WHAT HAPPENS IN HELL?

1. Text: Mark 9:43-48
2. This is our second lesson on hell. The first discussed the various terms translated hell in Scripture. This lesson will describe what the Bible clearly teaches will be experienced in hell.
3. To avoid the truths taught in Scripture on hell, certain views are taken: (1) outright denial; (2) annihilationism (evil people go out of existence); (3) universalism (all will eventually be saved); (4) conditional immortality (all at death cease to live but good people are given immortality).
4. The Greek word for hell is Gehenna which means Valley of Hinnom and was in a literal place just SW of Jerusalem in OT times where child sacrifice was offered (II Chronicles 28:3; 33:6), refuse burned, and became later to symbolize the everlasting abode of the wicked. In hell they will:

I. **Experience Punishment.**

1. Matthew 25:46 “Everlasting punishment” as long as eternal life.
2. Romans 2:8-9 Disobedient experience indignation, wrath, tribulation, anguish
3. II Corinthians 5:10-11 Terror of the Lord after judgment.
4. II Thessalonians 1:6 Affliction (tribulation); flaming fire; 1:8 vengeance; 1:9 punishment.
5. Hebrews 10:27 Fiery indignation after judgment. II Peter 2:12; Matthew 23:33

II. **Experience Eternity There.**

1. Again Matthew 25:46. II Thessalonians 1:9 “Everlasting destruction.” Destruction does not mean annihilation or non-existence, extinction, but rather ruin or devastation. See Romans 14:15 and Galatians 1:23 for this use. Hell will be a state of utter ruination. Matthew 10:28.
2. Revelation 14:11 Smoke of the wicked’s torment goes up forever and ever and they have no rest.
3. Jude 7 Punishment of eternal fire. Matthew 25:41 Into eternal fire. Matthew 18:8,9. Everlasting fire.

III. **Experience Separation From God**

1. Matthew 7:23 Depart from me. 25:41 Depart into eternal fire for devil and angels.
2. II Thessalonians 1:9 From the presence of the Lord.

IV. **Experience Fire**

1. Matthew 5:22 Hell fire 7:19 Thrown in fire 13:42 Cast into furnace of fire. (13:49-50) Matthew 18:8 Everlasting fire; Verse 9 hell fire.
2. Matthew 25:41 Eternal fire. Jude 7 Eternal fire.
3. Mark 9:43,48 Hell where the fire is never quenched.

V. **Experience Darkness**

1. Matthew 8:12 Cast into outer darkness (Matthew 22:13; 25:30)
2. II Peter 2:17 Blackness of darkness.

VI. **Experience Agony**

1. Matthew 8:12 Weeping and gnashing of teeth (13:42,50; 22:13; 25:30)
2. Mark 9:48 Where hell fire “their worm does not die.”

Conclusion:

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