

Do You Want to go to Hell?

Intro.

A. Facts about hell:

1. **TORMENT (REV. 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.”

2. **OUTER DARKNESS (MATT. 25:30);** “And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

3. **Place of unquenchable fire (Mk. 9:44-48),** “44. where

‘Their worm does not die
And the fire is not quenched.’

⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two feet, to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched—⁴⁶ where

‘Their worm does not die,
And the fire is not quenched.’

⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire—⁴⁸ where

‘Their worm does not die
And the fire is not quenched.’

4. **EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT (REV. 20:10)**

a. **REV. 20,** “...And they will be **tormented day and night forever and ever.**”

b. **MATT. 25: 46,** “ And these will go away **into everlasting punishment,** but the righteous into eternal life.”

- c. 2 THESS. 1: 8-9, “in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ These shall be **punished with everlasting destruction** from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,

B. However— 2 Pet. 3:9, “*The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.*”

God is not willing that any should perish.

- C. But after all these warnings, there are those who still live like they want to go to Hell
- D. Jesus isn't wrong...the apostles aren't wrong...But maybe there are reasons to consider in going to Hell.

• SOME OF THE THINGS YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO DO IN HELL.

I. ATTENDING ALL WORSHIP SERVICES! - Heb. 10:24-25

A. No Sunday **Schedule** To Keep Any More.

1. You won't have to get out of bed early Sunday morning & get dressed.

a. No choices—“Do I get up and go to morning service or sleep in and go to evening service?”

b. No mirrors. Just darkness, so that it can be felt...

c. No beds to get out of - No rest...weeping & gnashing of teeth.

d. Ever tried to rest while in pain? No painkillers, just pain inducers!

- B. No Longer A **Burden** To Bear. No more: “Well, I gotta get up and go to church” when you really don't want to! –
1. 1 Jno. 5:4, “**For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.**”
 2. 1 Peter 5: 7, “**casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you.**”

II. NOT HAVE TO WORSHIP GOD!

A. No More Having To **Sing**.

1. Instruments Vs. ‘a cappella’, Arguing: “The Bible doesn't say not to!” - **Eph. 5:19**, “speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,”
2. All the singing will be in the place that you missed ...Heaven!
(Rev. 14:3) Only sounds heard in Hell will be the weeping and gnashing of teeth!
 - a. Nursing Home—painful cries for help; no visitors, comfort, etc.
 - b. Grinding teeth—Child or spouse sleeping, magnify louder, constant

B. No More Having To **Pray** To God.

1. Remember back on earth thinking at mealtime: “I wish they would hurry up and say the prayer so I can eat?” Oh how you'll wish you had those opportunities back!
2. You will want to pray, but God will not hear - your chance is gone, forever!
 - a. Jesus said, “Men always ought to pray and not lose heart”—Lk. 18:1
 - b. Paul said: “Pray without ceasing”—1 Thess. 5:17

c. Isaiah 55: 6, “Seek the Lord while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near.”

C. No More **Sermons** - 2 Tim. 4: 2-5. “Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.”

1. Length - Acts 20:7-11, (7 n 11) “7. Now on the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight... 11. Now when he had come up, had broken bread and eaten, and talked a long while, even till daybreak, he departed.”

(Won't complain about an hour sermon being 50 min. too long! (Instead, you'll be wishing the preacher had preached a little bit longer (“*maybe w/ more preaching, the truth would have gotten through!*”)).

2. Message - 1 Cor. 1:21, “*For seeing that in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom knew not God, it was God's good pleasure through the foolishness of the preaching to save them that believe.*”

a. Baptism; morality; fellowship w/ error; denominationalism; the church; true worship; authority for all things, etc.

b. You'll regret not paying attention to & believing the gospel while you were alive! (Isa. 30: 9-11), “**That this is a rebellious people, Lying children, Children who will not hear the law of the LORD;**
¹⁰ **Who say to the seers, “Do not see,”**
And to the prophets, “Do not prophesy to us right things; Speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits.
¹¹ **Get out of the way,**
Turn aside from the path,
Cause the Holy One of Israel
To cease from before us.”

III. NOT HAVE TO LOVE GOD.

A. No More **Commandments** To Keep

1. John 14:15, “If you love me, keep my commandments”

2. 1 John 5: 1-3 (**read**)
- B. No More **Sacrificing** For God - Rom. 12:1-2.
- C. No More **Bible Study** –
 1. Psa. 119:104, “**Through thy precepts I get understanding: Therefore I hate every false way.**”
 2. Rom. 10: 17, “**So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**”
 3. 2 Tim. 2: 15; 3: 15-17
- D. No More **Walking By Faith** - 2 Cor. 5:7, “**For we walk by faith, not by sight.**”

IV. NOT HAVE TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR - Gal. 5: 13-15.

- A. You Will Be **All Alone!** (No family, neighbors, friends, etc.).
 1. Outer darkness: Millions upon millions there, yet all alone!
 - a. Ballpark seats just fewer than 50,000.
 - i. Everyone there to support team
 - ii. Comfort with fellow man
 - iii. Christian Study closely: Fornicators, adulterers, covetous, thieves, extortioners, homosexuals, drunkards, revilers, and idolaters. **Suddenly alone. (1 Cor. 6: 9-10)**
 - e. Same scenario without ballpark (Rev. 21:8)
 - f. Weeping and gnashing of teeth
 2. You will have nobody to love - No one to tell the wonderful story of Christ to; it's too late!
 3. Will wish your attitude had been different on earth –

Matt. 7:12, “Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”

4. Example Lk. 16:19-31 (Rich Man and Lazarus)
 - a. Rich Man lived in great wealth
 - b. No care for the poor like Lazarus
 - c. Died ended on side of torment
 - d. Suddenly wanted second chance (vs. 24)
 - e. Wanted second chance for family (Read 27-31)
 - f. **TOO LATE!!!**

V. NEVER HAVE TO STAND FOR THE TRUTH AGAIN!

- A. Facing **Ridicule** For The Sake Of Truth Will Be A Thing Of The Past - 1 Pet. 4:4.
 1. You became like them, hiding your faith (light under a bushel; Matt. 5: 15).
 2. You feared them more than God - Matt. 10:28.
- B. **Weariness** Over Fighting The Good Fight Of Faith
 1. 1 Tim. 6:12, “**Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.**”
 2. Jude 3, “**Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.**”

3. Eph. 6:10-11
 - a. So, you laid down your weapons & surrendered to the enemy.
 - b. Tired of the confrontational nature of truth. (Didn't want them to hear a gospel preacher lay it on the line, they might have gotten the idea that the denomination that they were a part of was wrong.... God forbid!)
 - c. You will never have to worry about offending your friends in hell!!

Conclusion

1. There are no reasons to go to hell!
2. If you go to hell it will be your fault - God is trying to save you!
(2 Peter 3: 9)
3. Maybe you think: I'm not going to hell:
 - a. "I'll change before I die. I have plenty of time." Response (Old Saying)—"*Road to Hell is paved with Good Intentions*"
 - b. I believe that God is too good to send me to hell!
 - i. Matt. 7:21-23, "*Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. ²²'Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' ²³'And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'*"
 - ii. 2 Thess. 1:8-9, "*in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power*"

iii. Heb. 10:26-31, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,²⁷ but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.²⁸ Anyone who has rejected Moses' law dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.²⁹ Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?³⁰ For we know Him who said, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. And again, "The Lord will judge His people."³¹ It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God

iv. In hell, you will know that He will!

-What will I inherit: Rest or anguish? - Rev. 21: 4-8