Wednesday Bible Study 5:30 PM

THE AFTER LIFE
Part 1A

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TOMORROW

FACING A FUTURE WITHOUT FEAR

THE AFTER LIFE PT1A

1. IS HELLA REAL PLACE?

2. WHY WAS HELL CREATED?

3. WHO WILL BE IN HELL?

Genesis 1:1-2

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

CHAOS

God did not originally create the earth without form and void: it became this way after a cataclysmic happening; this happening was the revolt of Lucifer against God. Which took place sometime in the dateless past.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God (Holy Spirit) moved upon the face of the waters.

(the moving of the Holy Spirit signified the beginning of Life) (KJV)

ECCLESIASTES 7:4

¹⁴ In the <u>day of prosperity be joyful,</u> but in the <u>day of adversity</u> consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him. (KJV)

¹⁴ When things are going well for you, be glad, and when trouble comes, just remember: God sends both happiness and trouble; you never know what is going to happen next. (TEV)

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1. IS HELL A REAL PLACE?

Coping Mechanisms of Denial

- 1. Annihilation which teaches that unbelievers are not punished eternally after death, but are annihilated so that they simply cease to exist.
- **2.Universalism.** There are different forms of this, but the basic idea is that because <u>God is good and loving</u> He wouldn't condemn anyone to a place of eternal torment. So in the end everybody will be saved, even non-Christians, because all roads eventually lead to God and to heaven.

Matt 25:-41,46

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: (KJV)

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. (KJV)

MATTHEW 25:46

⁴⁶ And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. (KJV)

⁴⁶ These, then, will be sent off to eternal punishment, but the righteous will go to eternal life." (TEV)

JOHN 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. (KJV)

²⁴ "I am telling you the truth: those who hear my words and believe in him who sent me have eternal life. They will not be judged, but have already passed from death to life. (TEV)

JOHN 5:28-29 (cont.)

- ²⁸ Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, (KJV)
- ²⁸ Do not be surprised at this; the time is coming when all the dead will hear his voice (TEV)
- ²⁹ And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. (KJV) ²⁹ and come out of their graves: those who have done good will rise and live, and those who have done evil will rise and be condemned. (TEV)

Who is the one who judges and does the separating?

A. <u>JESUS</u>, the only righteous one.

ACTS 17:31

Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead. (KJV)

³¹ For he has fixed a day in which he will judge the whole world with justice by means of a man he has chosen. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising that man from death!" (TEV)

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2. WHY WAS HELL CREATED?

 Hell was not created originally for any human being, but for:

A. SATAN AND HIS ANGELS.

MATTHEW 25:41

⁴¹ Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: (KJV)

⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Away from me, you that are under God's curse! Away to the eternal fire which has been prepared for the Devil and his angels! (TEV)

Contrary to popular opinion, Satan is not yet confined to Hell.

B. He now resides <u>ON EARTH</u>.

JOHN 12:31

³¹ Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. (KJV)

³¹ Now is the time for this world to be judged; now the ruler of this world will be overthrown. (TEV)

One day (according to the book of Revelation),

C. God is going to cast Satan, death, and Hades into the LAKE OF FIRE (another name for Hell).

REVELATION 20:10

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. (KJV)

¹⁰ Then the Devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had already been thrown; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. (TEV)

REVELATION 20:14

¹⁴ And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. (KJV)

¹⁴ Then death and the world of the dead were thrown into the lake of fire. (This lake of fire is the second death.) (TEV)

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A. We were all headed for an eternity without God in Hell.



ROMANS 3:23

²³ For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; (KJV)

²³ everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. (TEV)



B. Jesus came to rescue us from this certainty of separation from God.

1 THESSALONIANS 1:10

¹⁰ And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come. (KJV)

¹⁰ and to wait for his Son to come from heaven—his Son Jesus, whom he raised from death and who rescues us from God's anger that is coming. (TEV)

C. Those who trust Jesus are rescued!

HEBREWS 7:25

²⁵ Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. (KJV)

²⁵ And so he is able, now and always, to save those who come to God through him, because he lives forever to plead with God for them. (TEV)

D. Those who do not trust Jesus are not rescued from Hell and separation from God.

1 JOHN 5:11-12

- ¹¹ And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. (KJV)
- ¹¹ The testimony is this: God has given us eternal life, and this life has its source in his Son. (TEV)
- ¹² He that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. (KJV)
- ¹² Whoever has the Son has this life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. (TEV)

JOHN 3:18

"Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God."

JOHN 3:3

When Nicodemus approached Jesus about being from God, "Jesus answered him, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God'"

MATTHEW 25:41-46

On your way to Hell Stop By Calvary

Throughout His ministry Jesus indicated that hell is a punishment that lasts forever. Though it was prepared as a place of punishment for Satan and his demons, hell is also where those who fail to follow Jesus will go (Matthew 25:41–46).

PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE ABOUT THE AFTER LIFE

What about the people I love?

If they're still living, **DON'T GIVE UP HOPE!**

If they've already died, <u>TRUST THEM TO</u> <u>GOD</u>.