

IS THERE REALLY A PLACE CALLED HELL?

Part 2 "Wake Up Church"

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No, it isn't God's will for anyone to go to hell. It is not God's will for any to perish but that all might have eternal life. But, the Bible tells us that hell hath enlarged herself, and without Christ you have no hope in this world. This place called *gehenna* is a place that is *everlasting*. If God gave you a vision of it, you would live holy. You would live like the early Christians in the New Testament. They hated even their garments to touch the flesh. If God would give you a vision of the lake of fire, and you could see yourself with your friends and loved ones crying out in torment in that lake of fire; I guarantee, you would live holy. You would live godly. You would live like a Christian ought to live.

The Lord said, *"Many shall come to me in that day and say unto me, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied and done many wonderful works in thy name, cast out devils in thy name."* These people thought they were Christians. Jesus said, *"Depart from me ye workers of iniquity, I never knew you."* Children of God, it is time to wake up. There is a place called Hell, a place of everlasting torment that God has reserved for the wicked. I guarantee you by the authority of God's Word that there is a heaven, and there has to be a hell. If there is a God, there has to be a devil. You have to have a positive and a negative to make

anything work. What is happening in our hour; people are not recognizing the positive and the negative. Many have forsaken holiness and are living loose and worldly lives. Many are neglecting the great salvation that God has given. Most have chosen to live and look like the world. Well, God has reserved a place for you. There is a Hell reserved for all those who will not submit to the Lord Jesus Christ and give themselves to Him. A place of torment, and pain.

Jesus said: "And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched. Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched." [Mark 9:43-44]

Jesus is talking about a place where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. You may think that's impossible. All things are possible. Remember in the Bible where Moses went up unto the mountain and he saw the bush on fire? He looked at the bush and the amazing thing about it was the bush was on fire but the fire consumed it not. The fire did not burn the bush even though the bush was on fire. That is the way it is going to be in hell. You are not going to die in hell. Your death is going to be over and over. There is not going to be any relief from your torment. There will be no water for you. No one will come to quench your thirst, and it will continue from everlasting to everlasting. No matter what some preacher today says, Jesus said that the fire will never be quenched. You can call Jesus a liar if you want to, I know He is truth. You can try to figure it out in your carnal mind, and think how can a just God send somebody to hell. I want you to know that God IS NOT going to send you to hell! If you haven't received Jesus as your Lord and Savior, you are already on your way to

hell. Our precious, loving Heavenly Father prepared a way for you to escape hell. He sent His only begotten Son to die for you! If you go to hell, it will be because you want to! I want you to fully understand that if you go to hell, it will not be God's fault.

God gave me a message not long ago about what do you want to do. What do you want to do? Do you want to live for God, or do you want to live for the devil? Do you want to live Godly, or do you want to live worldly? What do you want to do? People don't understand your "want to" has got to be changed. He can put a desire in your heart to serve Him all the days of your life, and escape the damnation of hell where the fire is never quenched. That place where you will experience over and over, second by second, minute by minute, the worst torment that any human can imagine. Fire is an awful thing. The worst pain anyone can have is by fire. Think about it. Our Lord Jesus Christ preached there is a Hell, a place of everlasting torment.

Jesus said the greatest commandment was, "*To love the Lord God with all thy heart, with all thy mind, with all thy strength.*" That is everything that is within us. The second is like unto this, we are to love our neighbors as ourselves. Always remember every day of your life that the commandments were put in that order, to love God, then love man.

And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; [2Thessalonians1: 7-9]

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not

able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. [Matthew 10:28]

The Bible said God created the waster to destroy (See Isaiah 54:16). In Deuteronomy 32:39 God said, *"See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand"*. Jesus said, don't fear them that can kill the body only, *but rather fear Him that can kill the body and cast your soul into hell fire*; and my friend, that is God! Those ordained to preach the everlasting gospel must cry as the angel of Revelation, *"Fear God and give Him glory."* It is the fear of God that is going to get you to submit yourself to God. *"To fear God is the beginning of wisdom"; (See Psalms 111:10; Proverbs 9:10)*. You need wisdom to make your calling and election sure that you might escape the damnation of hell. Preachers are trying to preach dead people into heaven. Some tell the relatives of deceased persons their loved ones are not in hell, but in an imaginary place called purgatory.

Jesus taught there is a void fixed between heaven and hell. If you don't make your election sure before you leave this earth, you are destined to one or the other. You can escape Hell! You can have an abundant life, with joy and peace while in this world. You don't have to die. You don't have to go to Hell. You can go to Heaven. It is your choice. God has made a way of escape. God has made a way for all to have eternal life. He has been longsuffering for almost two thousand years and now we are at the end time, at the closing of the ages.

I believe we are close to the time when the angel in the book of Revelation will stand with one foot in the sea and one foot on the land and declare to Him that lives forever and ever, that time will be no more. Time for

everyone is going to end! Don't wait! Today is the day of salvation. Now is the appointed time.

There is a Hell! A place for those who reject the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and won't walk holy before the Lord; for those who won't submit themselves to the Word, that won't give their lives to Christ. The Word of God warns everyone, there is a place of torment.

There is no joy or peace without Christ. There is nothing without Jesus. Why should we not give our all to Him? He gave His all to us. Why should we not submit to Him? He has made a way of escape for all of us. We don't have to die. We don't have to go to hell. We don't have to be in the flames of torment forever. We can be in heaven. We can have the victory. But there is a price for us to pay.

You say, "Brother Hayes I thought it was free." Salvation is the Gift of God, but there is a condition. You have to repent. You have to offer up your body a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service (See Romans 12:1). You have to give Him your body, soul, and spirit. If you don't give Him everything, the enemy will take your life. The enemy will steal away your joy, your victory, and finally your salvation.

I despise this easy-believism watered down gospel that is perpetrated in the world today. Easy believism: shake the preacher's hand, say an unscriptural "sinners prayer", join a church, pay your tithes and everything is going to be all right religion. It is of the devil, straight out of the pits of hell. There is no way to get to God except through Jesus Christ. There is no way you can get to Christ except you repent. Jesus said, if you don't repent, you will all likewise perish (Luke 13:3,5). He said there was a cross we had to bear. Jesus taught selling out and

self denial. A far cry from today's watered down social gospel. Religion will never deliver you from hell.

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and will be tormented day and night forever and ever. 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. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 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. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

[Revelation 20:10-15]

Is your name in the book of life? Have you made your calling and election sure?

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremonger, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, will have their part in the lake which Burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death? [Revelation 21:7-8]

You say "Brother Hayes you mean I can't tell a little white lie?" There is no such thing as a little white lie. If you speak something that is not true, it is a lie. Plain and

simple! If you support something that is not truth you are a partaker of a lie. If you repeat something that is not true, you are guilty of promoting a lie. The Bible tells us not to be partakers of other men's sins. Always speak the truth even if it hurts! Sometimes it hurts, but it would be better for you to hurt now, than to be in a place called *gehenna*. I have been in people's homes when the telephone rang and the husband or wife would say, "Tell them I'm not home!" You're a liar! The Bible says all liars would be in Hell. Unbelievers, murderers, whoremongers, sorcerers, idolaters, they shall have their part in the lake of fire and brimstone which is the second death.

Paul said, *"Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears."* Acts 20:31 Paul labored that he might *present every man perfect in Christ Jesus*. A preacher that doesn't warn God's people concerning the consequences of sin is disobeying God. I don't care if he is saved, unsaved, talks in tongues, or what. We are to warn the flock of God. We are to feed the flock, but we must also warn them that if they drift into sin there is a danger they could lose their souls.

Have you ever thought how horrible sin must be to God for Him to have sent His only Son to die in order for the people to be forgiven of their sins!

". . . Let everyone that names the name of Christ depart from iniquity" (2Timothy 2:19). Iniquity: unrighteousness, lewdness, loose living.

But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater,

hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. [Ephesians 5:3-12]

We have never seen such covetous people in our lives. Today's perverted prosperity gospel has produced a generation of carnal covetous people. Money and possessions are their goals rather than a consecrated, dedicated spiritual life. Worldliness has overtaken most. The church today desires the world rather than the fullness of God. The message use to be come out of the world. Now it is the opposite. The old preachers use to say, "The church is getting so worldly, and the world is getting so churchy, you can't tell them apart." So very true today!

Paul said not to let foolish talking or jesting be among us! There are preachers on Christian Television Networks that are better comedians than they are preachers! Carrying on as if they were on the "Tonight Show" instead of in a church.

Why would Paul be that serious about foolish talking and jesting? Why would Paul be so mean to talk to people that way? Because Paul loved the people! He wasn't a man pleaser, or ear tickler. Here was a man of God that loved the people so much that he warned them day and night that sin would destroy them. Today people

think they can sin a little bit every day and make it to Heaven. That is a lie. There is a place Jesus called Hell that is not only reserved for those that don't know God, but is reserved for those that obey not the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Just because God has saved us by His Grace doesn't mean you can commit sin and live ungodly, unholy lives and do what you want.

Who has proved what is acceptable unto the Lord? Who has worked out their own salvation with *fear and trembling*? Hardly anyone! Thank God for the few that are careful, because the Bible said, *"Pass the time you sojourn here in fear."* In fear of what? In fear of God! God called us to heaven, but along the way there is an enemy called the devil. He is a destroyer; an adversary who is trying to steal your victory, take your life, and ultimately take you to Hell to burn with him for eternity! *"Awake to righteousness and sin not . . ."* (1Cor. 15:34)

Paul continues to warn the church with these words: "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." [Ephesians 5:16]

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." [Galatians 5 19-21]

Paul boldly declares, *"That they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."* The Word of God is very plain here! It is plain as plain can be. Make up your mind you are going to make heaven your home. Paul warned the Christians. I have warned them for years, and I still do. I would rather preach victory, joy,

the Holy Ghost, healing with signs, and wonders, and miracles. But what good would it do to get you healed and delivered; and you continue living in sin and wind up in Hell?

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." [Titus 2:11-13]

Yes, we are saved by God's Grace and not by our works. But my friend, if you have been saved by His Grace, it is teaching you something! Grace teaches us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world. That is right now my friends!

How do you live godly? What is our pattern to live godly? Jesus is our pattern. He is the one that lived godly. Jesus said, *"Everyone that is perfect shall be as his master."* To live godly is to live like Jesus.

How many of you are missing the mark? I have missed it many times and I thank God for His mercy, grace and forgiveness. God put a godly fear in my heart. You need the fear of God in your heart. The fear of God must be returned to the church. Knowing that God is able to cast your soul and body into hell fire should put fear into anyone. He has called us to holiness, righteous and godly living. If we refuse to hear Him that speaks from heaven, He will destroy us. There is a place called Hell that is not a natural grave but rather, a place of everlasting torment. Not a second, not a minute, not an hour, not a day, not a week, but everlasting torment! Make your decision now to die daily and escape this awful place!