

Hell is a real Place

Scripture is: Deut 32:22

INTRODUCTION: WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT HELL?

For some time now the Lord has laid it upon me to preach about the doctrine of Hell.

In Deuteronomy 32 Moses wrote a message in the form of a song letter. This was a letter to remind the people of a brief history of Israel and what would happen to them if they did not obey God.

The main thrust of his letter is to remind the people of an impending judgment by God in verse 22.

22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

So this impending judgment is still valid today!

1. Hell is a real place?
 2. **Hell is mentioned 54 times in the King James Bible**, 31 times alone in the OT and 23 times in the NT.
 3. **But never once is it mentioned in the modern versions in the OT**, like in the NIV, NASB. **Hell is only mentioned 15 times and only in the NT**. This is because those bibles are translated from different manuscripts.
 4. Instead of using the word "Hell" it uses words like, Sheol, or Hades to replace the word Hell which misleads the reader to its true definition.
 5. **For example the NIV – uses hell 15 times and only in the NT**. But it then also uses Hades 8 times and only in the NT.
 6. **For example the NASB – uses hell 15 times and only in the NT**. But it then also uses Hades 10 times and only in the NT. It also uses the word Sheol 65 times and only in the OT.
 7. It is precisely why men today have no fear of God anymore because the doctrine of Hell is not being preached from the Pulpits of what is so called Christianity anymore.
 8. Instead the pastors have become weak, and preaching everything but the word of God anymore.
 9. The reason why the world is in such a mess today can be blamed on what is called Christianity, and the men of God have become weak and corrupt because they preaching for doctrines the commandments of men. [Matthew 15:9](#) But in vain they do worship me, teaching **for doctrines** the commandments of men.
- The world would certainly be a different place if every bible believer and every person who names the name of Christ including all those pastors would teach truth instead of error.

How can any man of God, get up in front of a congregation and preach out of a book and call it scripture when they are teaching for scripture the doctrines of men in these other modern bible versions.

They have changed the word of God into a lie and they will be held responsible for it one day. The Lord told the prophet Jeremiah to write a warning to the preachers of his day. [Jeremiah 23:1](#) Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the Lord.

- Because the emphasis has been taken off the doctrine of Hell, God's judgments appear to be without consequences and that God simply loves everybody.
- People are being misled and misguided every single day about Hell, by simply listening to the preachers preaching out of the NIV and the equivalent new bible versions which are rampant in the realms of what is called Christianity today.
- The Apostle Paul warned the churches in his day about this very thing we are talking about.

Romans 1:24-26 King James Version (KJV)

²⁴ Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: ²⁵ **Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator,** who is blessed for ever. Amen. ²⁶ For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

This morning I would like to document and outline the true meaning of "Hell" and that Hell is a literal place that does exist as the KJV bible says in the heart of the earth, and many many people are already in Hell or are going there or are already.... heading there.

- **Well you might say Pastor I don't really believe you, that there is a literal place called Hell; and I don't believe that Hell is a doctrine of the NT?**
- My answer to that is simply put away your NIV, non inspired versions and get yourself a real bible and not a toy bible that you can read for yourself what God has to say about Hell.

Let me show you the errors of the New bible versions when it comes to the doctrine of Hell alone.

1. The NIV does not even mention the word Hell even once in the whole of the OT.
2. **The NIV only mentions Hell in 15 places in the NT, whereas the KJV mentions it in 23 places in the NT and 31 times in the OT.**
3. If you say that the NIV is the word of God then what you are saying is that the God of the OT is not the same God of the NT. Because how can there be two versions of scripture or more than one version of the truth of Gods word.

Lets first begin with the OT accounts of Hell in the real bible the KJV.

The First Mention of hell in the bible is Deut 32:22.

[Deuteronomy 32:22](#)

For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest **hell**, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

This is a letter in the form of a song that God had Moses write unto the people. That this is what they did unto the Lord.

Let me also say this from the onset. By way of popular belief Satan is not in charge of Hell God is my friend.

[Psalm 139:8](#) If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: **if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.**

God is omnipresent which means that God can be present in places at the same time. To say that God cannot be omnipresent is to say that then Satan can be in charge of Hell because God won't be there, which is not the case.

- Another scripture I want to point out is that of Psalm 16:10.

This scripture alludes not only to king Davids soul not being left in Hell, but also points out that Jesus soul was not left in Hell.

- You mean to say Jesus went to Hell? I am not saying that the KJV Bible is saying that which is Gods own word.
- So important is this scripture that besides Davids quotation in the Psalm it is again quoted for its importance and contents by Luke the Apostle in Acts 2:27. Where he himself writes that it was quoted in another Psalm. Which we know as Psalm 16:10.

[Psalm 16:10](#)

For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou **suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.**

[Acts 2:27](#)

Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou **suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.**

[Acts 13:35](#)

Wherefore he saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not **suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.**

- These quotations of Psalm 16:10 and Acts 2:27, point out to us that Hell is a real place.
- So much so that David did not want his soul to stay there. **thou wilt not leave my soul in hell.**
- Now here is the crux of the matter: If you had to say that the place David is talking about is simply the grave as the JW' belief. (false witnesses), as so do the 7th Day Adventists, and Later day saints (Satan) believe then here is the problem with that.
- That would mean that when Jesus died and was placed in the tomb, he was simply placed in a grave, where he spent the three days and three nights. It

would mean that he did not go into the heart of the earth as scripture tells us (Hell).

- Jesus was not simply placed in the grave for his flesh to rot (to see corruption).
- Jesus was three days and three nights in the heart of the earth, which is hell, ministering to those believers from the OT and before the cross.

This is Jesus quoting remember:

Ephesians 4:8-10⁸ **Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high**, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.⁹ (Now that he ascended, **what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?**¹⁰ He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

1 Peter 3:18-20¹⁸ **For Christ also hath once suffered for sins**, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:¹⁹ **By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison**; ²⁰ Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

- You might say well pastor that is a good theory but can you prove that Hell is not simply the grave. Yes I can.

Acts 2:25-35²⁵ For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved: ²⁶ Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

²⁷ Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. ²⁸ Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

²⁹ Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. ³⁰ Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

³¹ He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

³² This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. ³³ Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. ³⁴ For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, ³⁵ Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

- Dauids body is still in the grave but his soul was taken up out of Hell when Jesus spent the three days an three nights in Hell.

I felt it necessary to point out first of all by using Jesus as our example that Hell is a physical real place and that it is in the heart of the earth.

- ❖ So we have seen the first mention of Hell in the OT in Deuteronomy 32:22, and we have seen the support of scripture declaring it to be a real place.
- ❖ So now let's look at some of the aspects of Hell for the non believer's destiny.

To start out I am simply going to read through some OT scriptures quoting Hell in the KJV, and what is connected to hell or what describes the place of Hell.

2nd mention 2 Samuel 22:6.

2 Samuel 22:6

The **sorrows of hell** compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

3rd mention of Hell.

Job 11:7-9 ⁷ Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? ⁸ It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? **deeper than hell**; what canst thou know? ⁹ The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

Job 26:5-7 ⁵ Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof. ⁶ **Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.** ⁷ He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.

Psalm 9:16-17 ¹⁶ **The LORD is known by the judgment which he executeth:** the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. Higgaion. Selah. ¹⁷ **The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.**

Psalm 86:12-13 ¹² I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore. ¹³ For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered **my soul from the lowest hell.**

Psalm 139 ⁷ Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? ⁸ **If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell,** behold, thou art there. ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

Proverbs 15:11 **Hell and destruction** are before the Lord: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?

Proverbs 15:24 The **way of life is above to the wise,** **that he may depart from hell beneath.**

Proverbs 27:20 **Hell and destruction are never full**; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

Isaiah 14:15 Yet thou shalt be brought **down to hell, to the sides of the pit.**

So we have already seen that Hell is:

1. **a fire is kindled** in mine anger, **and shall burn unto the lowest hell.**
2. **Souls are in hell**, not the grave. The grave is for the flesh only.
3. The **sorrows of hell.**
4. Hell is a deep place - ? **deeper than hell.**
5. **Hell and destruction** – the same place.

6. Hell and Destruction is the same place - **Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.**
 7. **⁶ Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering. (Hell).**
 8. Hell has different levels - thou hast delivered **my soul from the lowest hell.**
 9. The Lord is present in heaven and in Hell. Both are real places. thou hast delivered **my soul from the lowest hell.**
 10. Heaven and Hell are two extremities - **The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.**
 11. **Hell and destruction are never full.**
 12. Hell is described as down, and described as a pit with sides to it. - thou shalt be brought **down to hell, to the sides of the pit.**
- ❖ So we see Hell as being described as having fire, and a place of burning, and having sorrows, and a place of destruction, and as place that is never full, and a place where it is God's anger, and wrath that kindles the flames of Hell.
 - ❖ So Hell is a real nasty place to end up forever in its torment.

So folks, that's what the NIV and those new modern versions which they call the bible has omitted to tell you about Hell.

Now the NT. Has 23 References to Hell.

Matthew 10:28

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.**

1. Jesus said fear him which is able to destroy both the soul and body in hell.
2. The soul is in hell, but one day at the second death when the dead are judged both the soul and the resurrected body will be cast together in hell into the lake of fire. Which is the second death.
3. That is why hell is also referred to as destruction.
4. Some people might say – you see pastor when the dead are cast into hell they are no longer alive before God and they are totally destroyed and annihilated? WRONG my friend. Look what scripture has to say about that.

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.**

5. Does it say where the beast and false prophet were or does it say where the beast and false prophet are. It says ARE doesn't it!
6. That means the beast and the false prophet who are both human who worshipped Satan, are still in Hell after the millennium, the thousand years when Satan was bound, and they are still there in Hell in fire and brimstone in torment.
7. So don't come and say that the dead will be annihilated. That's false doctrine my friend.

8. If you carry on reading that passage it says that Hell is cast into the lake of fire forever. It will never end my friend. That why it is called Hell and not HADES or Sheol.

Matthew 11:23

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.

Matthew 16:18

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the **gates of hell** shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 18:9

And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into **hell** fire.

1. That is why Jesus said what he said to prevent people from going to this awful place of Hell.
2. He said it would be better for you to have your eye plucked out or your hand cut off, than to enter into hell intact with both extremities.
3. Jesus is saying if it were possible that you should lose your eye or your hand it would be for better and less painful than suffering an eternity in the Hell fires prepared for the devil and his angels.

Matthew 23:33

Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of **hell**?

1. Jesus warned the Pharisees of Hell. He told them that they would not escape the damnation of Hell unless they turned to him.
2. If you remember in Genesis it was the serpent who beguiled the woman. It was Satan disguised as a snake who deceived Eve.
3. Therefore Jesus likens the Pharisees as the devil himself trying to escape damnation.
4. They were all classed as a generation of vipers, which is poisons snakes trying to deceive other people around them to believe what they believed.
5. Matthew 23:15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold **more the child of hell** than yourselves.
6. There is no escape from Hell without Jesus.

Luke 16:23

And in **hell** he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

1. This is not a parable.
2. And even if it were? What is the parable supposed to be telling us? What would it be about? A parable is supposed to be likened as something, like the sower and the seed parable. The seed being the word of God, and the sower is the evangelist? The evangelist is spreading the word of God. That's the context of the sower and the seed parable.
3. So what would the rich man represent in that case in Luke 16:19?

4. What would the poor man represent?
5. What would Hell represent in that case?
6. What would the torment represent? In the rich man's case?
7. Why is the name Lazarus used? For what purpose would it be used?
8. What would the water represent?
9. What would the tongue represent?
10. What would the great gulf fixed represent? Or mean?
11. What would the prophets represent?
12. What would father Abraham represent?
13. What would the one that rose from the dead represent?

- ❖ The answer is simply it is not a parable, but it is an account of what is taking place in hell at that moment in time?
- ❖ The rich man is in Torment in Hell fire, that is why he wants water. It's simply the truth of what it says is taking place, he is in Hell fire.
- ❖ If this was a parable then it would be the first one in scripture that mentions people's names. God mentions peoples name for a purpose it's not done at random.

2 Peter 2:4

For 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;

Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; **and have the keys of hell and of death.**

(hell is one place death is another place. Jesus has both sets of keys). Because hell and death are both eventually cast into the lake of fire. But Hell will still exist forever in the lake of fire. Which is referred to the place of outer darkness which is after the millennium. The new heaven and new earth will cont contain hell or death anymore.

Revelation 20:13 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.

Revelation 20:14 And **death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.**

- ❖ Hell is the first death.

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