QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

A six part compilation series on the doctrine of Hell

"I have two stacks of books on my desk…" The pastor of a large evangelical church here in Houston where a close friend of mine attends was explaining to the congregation the church's stand on a controversial issue. He went on to explain that since the authors disagreed he would share with the congregation what his views were based on a distillation of the thoughts contained in the two opposing stacks of books. Unfortunately he had it wrong. The correct statement would have been, "I have in my office a stack of books on the one side and the Bible on the other. I have read these books, comparing what the say to the Word of God. I have kept that which is in accordance with the Word of God and have discarded that which either adds to or takes away from the Word of God. Now I will teach you what the Word of God says on this subject."

This is how we must approach the doctrine of Hell. Hell is not what others say it is. Hell is what God says it is as revealed to us in His holy, eternal, inerrant written Word. Hell is not what we believe, rather we believe what Hell is as reveled in His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word. When we read from the Word of God the truths of Hell we do not judge them according to our emotions, thoughts or convictions but rather as Word of God teaches us on Hell the Word of God judges the thoughts and convictions of our hearts. You cannot separate what God says from who God is. If you do not like what God says about Hell then you do not like God. If you disagree with what God says about Hell then you disagree with God.

In this age of spiritism and mysticism two great sins of the evangelical church cloud the doctrine of Hell. The first is to entertain the false testimonies and writings of those who claim falsely and in contradiction to the Word of God to have gone to Hell, returned and now have extra-Biblical revelation concerning Hell. The Bible clearly teaches in Hebrews 9:27, ***"It is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment".*** Any man who dies, faces judgment followed by an eternity in heaven and Hell. There is no protestant reincarnation. The second is to entertain the teachings of satan and his demons on this subject. Countless books and testimonies abound of satanic and demonic encounters where the demons are commanded to speak, information is gleaned and then these doctrines of demons are passed on to the church as truths concerning hell and satanic activity. God the Holy Spirit specifically forbids this in 1 Timothy 4:1-2, ***"But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons, by means of the hypocrisy of liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron,".***

It is to the modern evangelical churches shame, as well as that of numerous parachurch mission organizations and the modern Christian publishing business, that in exchange for the large prophets to be made from spiritism, mysticism, and demonic teachings that these commands of God are set aside.

In the following days you will meditate carefully on what God the Holy Spirit has to say about…
What Is Hell?
God As A God of Wrath
Who Goes To Hell?
What Saves Us From Hell?
Is Jesus Really The Only Escape From Hell?
Hell – Our Application: Discipleship
Hell – Our Application: Extra-Biblical Revelation
Any book written on this subject is simply another man's thoughts on what God the Holy Spirit has already said (or worse a demonic mystical experience). Let me encourage you to go to God the Holy Spirit to find out what He has to say about Hell. The man whose book you are reading may not even like what God the Holy Spirit has said. First go to God, then judge the writings of men by the Word of God.

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A six part compilation series on the doctrine of Hell

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Is Hell (1 of 6)

What God either does or does not do is not according to our belief, but rather we believe what God does or does not do as revealed in His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word. This includes Hell. Hell is not what we believe, rather we believe what Hell is as revealed to us by God in His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word. There are many false statements made by both Christians and non-Christians pertaining to Hell, it's reality, what goes on there, who is in charge, the list goes on and on.

I have heard one of the most common lies concerning Hell as voiced by unbelievers, "I would rather be with my friends in Hell than with all those hypocrites in church." This horrible misstatement is based on a fallacious view of Hell as a penal system run by satan and his demons. This is brought about by two separate phenomenon. First the western penal system whereby depraved individuals can indeed live out their depravity among like minded people. Secondly by a media representation of Hell as a penal system run by satan for those not worthy of heaven. This first myth of Hell is joined by a host of others, which include but is not limited to…

Hell is the absence of God.
Hell is the cessation of existence.
Hell is run by satan and his demons.
Hell is temporal rather than eternal.
Hell is figurative rather than literal.
Hell is revealed to us by those who have died, gone to Hell and then been brought back by God to warn and instruct.
God of the Old Testament is God of judgment, wrath and vengeance and thereby the God of Hell; God of the new Testament is Jesus, a God of love, forgiveness and mercy and thereby the God of Heaven.

These misconceptions come from a number of places. Literature ranging from Dante's inferno to Dickens "Christmas Carol" to the modern pulp fiction writers on demons, vampires and the like. These fictitious works create false impressions of Hell which are more real to some than is Biblical revelation. The modern media industry ranging from T.V. to Movies to Video Games creates a marketable Hell, which again is embraced by many without question and without testing against the holy, written revelation of God the Holy Spirit. Added to this are the lies and deceptions of satan written and recorded by both Christians and non-Christians who have had supposed after death experiences by which they supposedly went to Hell (and Heaven) and then have come back to reveal these false revelations to mankind in general and the church in specific. These purveyors of false spirituality have never been to Hell and their lies concerning Hell serve only satan, the father of lies. Last and perhaps most heinous are the purveyors of the so called deliverance ministries who talk with demons and spirits, have false visions and prophecies, claim falsely to have words of knowledge and wisdom about heaven and hell and then present these to the church even though this knowledge is specifically forbidden by God and the representations contradict God's holy Word. Never-the-less Christian book stores carry these lies, the airwaves gladly present these lies and the churches accept the dissemination of these lies – all because of their profitability both in the market place and in the offering plate.

It is the hope of the author that this compilation of six devotionals on Hell will not only mature you in your doctrinal understanding of what God the Holy Spirit has to teach on Hell but it will also drive you to correct applications in both evangelism and discipleship.

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 14:10 & 11
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

Hell is not what we believe, rather we believe what Hell is as revealed in God's holy Word. As you meditate on this passage what new insights has God the Holy Spirit revealed to you about Hell?

How will this reality affect your commitment, dedication and earnest pleadings in witnessing?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 3:12
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 18:8 & 9
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Is Hell

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 25:31 – 46 (41, 46)

From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Mark 9:42 – 48

From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Luke 3:15 – 17

From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Luke 16:19 - 21**
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **2 Thessalonians 1:1 – 12 (5, 8, 9)**
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Jude 1:6, 7, 13, 25**
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Revelation 20:1 – 10**
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Revelation 20:11 - 15**
From this passage describe Hell. (Duration, who is in charge, what happens, descriptive words or phrases, other?)

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – God Is A God Of Wrath (2 of 6)

"I don't believe a loving God would send anyone to Hell!" I can remember early in my Christian witnessing experience being confronted with this statement. This statement could only be trumped by, "Are you saying that God sent my grandma to Hell!?!" For me the greatest theological class I ever took was weekly door to door evangelism in the dormitories of the University of Texas. Rows upon rows of thinking vocal skeptics, atheists and cultist faced me week after week with unrelenting challenges to my faith. I early began to say, "I do not know the answer to that question but I will be back next week with the answer." Then I would immerse myself in the Bible and great doctrinal works to come up with the answer. My commitment was to have a Scriptural answer to every question. The devil might stump me once but never twice.

What about you? Are your convictions concerning Hell and the wrath of God based on Scripture, emotion or apocryphal and extra-Biblical tales? Is your view of God one based on the Word of God or personal feelings. Have you tested those questions you asked as a non-Christian against the Word of God or do you still hold many of them, brining them with you to church, much as the Israelites brought their household gods with them when they left Egypt.

I trust this series of devotions on Hell and God as A God of Wrath will reconcile you to the God of Scriptural Revelation. That your convictions of God would be based on reality of the revelation of the Word of God and not shaped by yours and others imaginations.

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Deuteronomy 4:24**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

God is not what we believe, rather we believe what God is as revealed in His holy Word. As you meditate on this passage what new insights has God the Holy Spirit revealed to you about God?

How will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and as I meditate on God as a God of wrath, vengeance and fiery judgment what application does this have in my life and worship?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Isaiah 30:27 – 30; 33:14**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Hebrews 12:29**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Psalm 5:5; Ezekiel 25:14;**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Psalm 94:1; 149:7 – 9; Hebrews 10:30 & 31**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Psalm 21:9**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – God Is A God Of Wrath

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Malachi 4:1**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Isaiah 63:1 - 6**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Jeremiah 25:15; Ezekiel 7:8**
What Attribute of God is revealed in this passage?

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – God Is A God Of Wrath

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 14:7, 10 & 11

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

Two prevalent fallacies concerning Hell are that 1.) satan rules Hell and 2.) Hell is separation from God. How does this passage speak to these errors (and any other error God has revealed that you)?

As I meditate on God as a God of wrath what application does this have in my life and worship?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 3:12

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 13:36 – 43, 47 – 50

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 25:31 – 46 (31-33, 45, 46)

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 5:19 – 32

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 1:18 & 18

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 2:1-11

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 14:10 – 12

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Corinthians 5:10 & 11

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – God Is A God Of Wrath

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ephesians 5:6 – 8

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Colossians 3:1 – 8

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Timothy 4:1

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 9:27
How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 10:27 – 31
How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 12:29
How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – God Is A God Of Wrath

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Peter 3:1 – 12 (7)

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Jude 1:6 & 7

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: 2 Peter 2:2 – 10

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:1 – 15

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 21:5-8

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 14:10 & 11

How does this passage relate to the theme and which person of the Trinity is manifesting His wrath?

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When we talk about who goes to Hell, we do not want to talk about what is and is not "fair." If God goes by what is "fair," then we all go to Hell and His son stays in heaven and never has to die for sins He did not commit. Nor do we talk about what we feel is "right" or "wrong." Nor do we bring into the equation our views of self-evident truths. God does not do what we believe, rather, by faith we believe what God does, as revealed in His holy, eternal, inerrant Word. God's actions concerning Hell are not judged by our values. We submit and adjust our values to God's values as revealed to us in His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word. This issue of who goes to Hell and who does not is a hot topic in both the world and the church today.

Non-Christians

From my earliest experiences in personal evangelism, from back in my High School and University days until now, I continually hear the same statement by non-Christians – "I don't believe a loving God would send anyone to Hell." Of course, what we believe God will or will not do is of little consequence. God does not do what we believe, rather He does His good and holy will as revealed in His holy, eternal, inerrant Word. If God's Word says that a loving God sends men to an eternity in Hell, then this is not a contradictory statement. The flaw is in our sinful values, not in the character of God.

Skeptic

The skeptic, whether non-Christian or Christian, challenges us with prideful sarcasm - "You are not saying you are right and everyone else is wrong are you? You are not actually saying that only Christians are in heaven and that everyone else is in Hell?". The answer to this statement is not found in what any Christian may say, whether "Yes" or "No," but in the eternal, inerrant, written Word of God. Non-Christians are neither condemned to Hell nor delivered from Hell based on anyone's beliefs. The answer is found in the God of Heaven who pardons or condemns based upon His good and holy will.

Then there are **the liberal and confused pastors and theologians of our day.**
Rob Bell's book *Love Wins*, in which he questions openly whether good men like Handy will go to Hell and, in fact, questions the literalness of Hell, is burning up the bookshelves. Mega church pastor, Joel Osteen, is openly questioning on secular talk radio, such as the Larry King Show, as to whether intensely spiritual and good Hindus go to Hell. One-time conservative Anglican theologian and pastor, John Stott, now announces that there is no Hell in terms of an eternal judgment but chooses the position of the Annihilationist – that non-Christians simply cease to exist after death. In fact, the belief in Hell is slowly becoming viewed as a cultic dysfunction. This is evidenced by the appearance of this question on a commercial pilot's personality test – "Do you believe in a literal Hell?".

Who does go to Hell? The answer to this question can only be found in the Word of God. The Word of God speaks so clearly and so often to this subject that the Christian will be left with only two alternatives: to believe what the Bible says about Hell, or, to reject what the Bible says about Hell. The problem with the second alternative is that the teachings in the Bible on Hell are inseparable from the teachings of the Bible on Heaven, Jesus, Salvation and God. One may, as liberals and those in denial do, reject Hell while clinging to Heaven, Jesus, Salvation and God but to do this is to commit intellectual suicide. For one to be consistent He must accept these doctrines as a package deal.

It is the author's hope that in the following study you will submit your emotions, convictions and values to the eternal, inerrant, written Word of God, and that you will allow God's holy Word to judge you and that you will not find yourselves judging the statements of God the Holy Spirit as given to us in His Word.

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QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – Who Goes To Hell? (3 of 6)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 8:28 & 29

According to this passage who goes to Hell?

God does not do what we believe, rather we believe what God does as revealed in God's holy Word. As you meditate on this passage what new insights has God revealed to you about non-Christians and Hell?

How will this reality affect your commitment, dedication and earnest pleadings in witnessing?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 13:36 – 43

According to this passage who goes to Hell?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew `13:47 – 50

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 3:18 & 19
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 5:19 – 32
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Colossians 3:1 – 8

According to this passage who goes to Hell?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Peter 3:1 – 16 (7 -9)

According to this passage who goes to Hell?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Jude 1:6, 7, 25

According to this passage who goes to Hell?

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JEREMIAH 15:16

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: 2 Peter 2:2-10

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:1 – 10

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:11 – 15

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JEREMIAH 15:16
THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Saves Us From Hell (and what does not) (4 of 6)

When sharing the gospel, nothing seems to spark a good debate more than Hebrews 9:27 –***"And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment,"***. Invariably, there is a knee jerk response from the listener which goes something like this - **"I don't think it is fair that some good and decent person who does good works all his life goes to Hell while some lazy, hypocrite of a Christian gets to go to heaven."**

There are many views on what saves us from Hell. Four of the more common are:
Good works – it is assumed here that no one who devotes himself to good works should be sent to the fires of Hell. This would not only be unfair, but only an evil deity would do such a thing.
Avoidance of depraved acts – it is assumed that only those who do the most depraved acts of violence and inhumanity would deserve the fate of Hell. To avoid Hell, then, one must only refrain from sinking to such a level. Hell is reserved for those to whom our emotional response is, "If there is a Hell then surely he is there."
Time (purgatory and annialationists) – payment of the debt delivers us from Hell. In this scenario only a sadistic God would torture someone for eternity. Once the payment is made the person is either annihilated or given entrance into heaven.
Devotion to a religion / god – anyone who is truly devoted to their religion or god in a well meaning and sincere manner is surely delivered from Hell. Again, only an evil and sadistic God would allow people to follow a religion with sincere hearts only to be sent to Hell for choosing the wrong one.

These all have their roots in a sense of self-evident justice to which most if not all, whether Christian or non-Christian, seem to cling. However, the stark reality is that what we believe about Hell, God and who He sends there is of little or no consequence. God is not what we believe, rather we believe what God is as revealed in His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word. In the same vein, God does not do what we believe, rather we believe what God does as revealed in this selfsame holy Word of God. By a word of faith, God will not release someone from Hell, God will not forgive the sins of those who have died apart from a saving knowledge of Christ, nor will He, based on our faith, forgive the sins of others. God, Hell, and who is or is not spending eternity in Hell is neither determined nor influenced by our belief system, no matter how strongly held. It is determined by God's good and holy will which is revealed to us in His holy, eternal, inerrant written Word.

In this day, Hell is not only being questioned by many pastors and Christian educators who should know better but is also being played down in the Christian education of our children. This is extremely disappointing. If you read the biographies of great Christians such as Martin Luther or Charles Wesley, the very real fear of hell that was instilled upon them in their childhood by both their parents and the church was instrumental in their receiving Christ. All the great spiritual awakenings in the U.K. and U.S.A. have been accompanied by very clear presentation of the eternity in Hell which faces all unbelievers. It is the fear of Hell which brought one of our own children to Christ. This child at an early age as a tornado came roaring through our town, cried out, "I don't want to die and go to Hell, pray with me now to receive Christ." We early in our children's lives taught them clearly that to receive Christ was not only to go to Heaven, but it was also to not go to Hell. What an affront to God the Father and an insult to God the Holy Spirit and a devaluing of God the Son for parents to decide that the subject of Hell is too unsettling and too harsh for their children.

These devotionals may be used in a number of ways. They may be done daily as a devotional guide. The verses may be used as a Bible study guide and then the Quiet Times passed out as follow-up to a Sunday School or mid-week study. They may be used as a Bible study, being done in a small group setting or as discussion preparation, or they may be used for your own personal Bible study. However the Lord leads, it is my earnest desire that they will draw you closer to God through a fuller understanding of what it means to be "saved". Being saved from a meaningless life is nice, but an understanding of our being saved from an eternity of burning in the fires of Hell leads to one and only one application – a life of service based on the gratitude which only comes from a full understanding of our salvation.

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 3:18 & 19

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 3:36

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Saves Us From Hell (and what does not)?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 10:1 – 18

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 5:8 – 10

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 10:9 – 13

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ephesians 1:13

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ephesians 2:1 – 9

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Timothy 2:3 – 6

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Saves Us From Hell (and what does not)?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Timothy 1:9

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Titus 3:5

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 9:24 – 28

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Saves Us From Hell (and what does not)?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:15; Revelation 21:27

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Peter 1:1 - 5

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:1 – 12

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – What Saves Us From Hell (and what does not)?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Acts 4:12

According to this passage how can I avoid the wrath of God and be saved from going to Hell (and what is of no use)?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Peter 3:1 – 15

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell and Jesus – Is Jesus Really The Only Escape From Hell? (5 of 6)

"Do you honestly believe that you are right and everyone else is wrong? That only Christians are in heaven and everyone else in the whole world is in hell?" This, of course, is the question I am most often asked when witnessing to those under 40. It is often accompanied by, "I don't believe a loving God would send anyone to Hell." My response is always, "Hey, don't get mad at me. I am just sharing with you what God says from His holy Word. If it was up to me, I would not send your aunty to Hell. I would make a deal with you, you let my relatives out and I will let out yours. But it is not up to us, it is up to God and this is what God says."

In the late 70's my father entered Hell. His grandfather was a great Baptist evangelist, Southern Baptist Missionary, Seminary professor and founder of Clear Creek Baptist College in Pineville, Kentucky. His father was the editor of the Jackson Sun newspaper in Jackson, Tennessee and a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Tennessee. My father, however, rebelled from this family heritage, rejected Christ, embraced humanism and died as described by God the Holy Spirit in ***Ephesians 2:12 "…separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world."*** From my perspective, those sins he committed against my mother, against my brother, against my sister, against myself, against his community and the world have been more than paid for. His life experience these 40 some years is described in ***Revelation 14:10-11 "… he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger; and he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; they have no rest day and night…"*** The problem with escaping an eternity in Hell, is that to do so one does not have to satisfy the capricious sensibilities of man but rather the wrath of the just and holy God. Many have feelings and convictions concerning how to escape from an eternity in Hell…

An exemplary life here on earth;
A good life here on earth;
Abstaining from heinous crimes here on earth;
Ignorance here on earth;
Sincerity here on earth;
Devotion to a religion here on earth;
Adequate punishment / time served in Hell;
A relenting God who changes his mind.

There is, however, only one escape from an eternity in the fires of Hell, that is accepting Christ as your personal Lord and Savior. No one can escape an eternity in Hell unless he personally accepts Christ as his Lord and Savior. God's eternal wrath must be "satisfied" and that satisfaction can only be found in Christ's substitutionary death on the cross. ***Isaiah 53:11 "As a result of the anguish of His soul, <u>He will see it and be satisfied</u> ; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities."***

The mistake that modern authors, theologians and liberal Christians make when talking about Hell is that their sensibilities mean nothing to God. What anyone believes God will or will not do is of no consequence whatsoever. God does not do what we believe, but rather we believe what God does as revealed in His holy, eternal, inerrant written Word. If we find ourselves questioning the justness of those without Christ, whatever the reason, spending eternity in Hell – then the problem is with our unbelieving rebellious heart, not with God. The question, "How could a loving God send anyone to an eternity in Hell?" Really begs another question-- a question buried beneath the first, unstated by the mouth yet stated by the heart to God, nonetheless – "If God can send people to Hell for eternity, then how can He be a good and just God?" To question what God does is to question what God is. We must never do either but rather embrace the revelation of the written Word of God – both what God does and who God is.

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell and Jesus – Is Jesus Really The Only Escape From Hell? (5 of 6)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Acts 4:12

Can anyone escape an eternity in Hell without accepting Christ as their personal Lord and Savior?

Who does and who does not go to Hell is not based on what we believe. God does not do what we believe, rather we believe what He does as revealed in the Word of God. What does God's Word say on this subject?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 13:24 – 30

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 25:31 - 46

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 14:6

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:11 – 15

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Philippians 4:3; Revelation 13:8; 17:8; 20:15

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 20:11 – 21:8; 21:24 - 27

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Acts 4:12

Can anyone escape an eternity in Hell without accepting Christ as their personal Lord and Savior?

Who does and who does not go to Hell is not based on what we believe. God does not do what we believe, rather we believe what He does as revealed in the Word of God. What does God's Word say on this subject?

How will this reality affect your prayers of praise and thanksgiving? Your humility? Your witnessing?

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – Our Application (6 of 6)

In 1979 my father entered an eternity in Hell. What is my application to this horrible truth? Gene Warr, a Christian businessman of whom Billy Graham said was the most effective lay evangelist of the 20 Century, presented this decision making model: Get The Facts; Face The Facts; Make A Decision; Do Something. When we not only get the facts concerning Hell, but face the hard cold facts that many of our dearest loved ones, friends and family are burning in Hell, that many millions all over the world are tumbling daily into Hell, when we face those facts, what is our decision, what would God have us do?

Get The Facts: The Bible teaches that there is a literal Hell, literal fire, literal screams of agony, this is eternal, this is carried out by God in the presence of Jesus and the holy angels. There is only one escape for this universal fate of all mankind – that is to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. The most educated businessman in the modern western city and the most ignorant shepherd in the mountains of Tibet face the same fate. There is no exception.

Face The Facts: My experience when I shared with Christians that my father is in Hell was at first very startling. The universal response is, "Surely not!". I think it is very hard for modern Christians to accept the reality of Hell. The fact that millions are heading for an eternity of screaming in agony in a burning Hell has ramifications – both to them and of God, which they are not willing to accept. We all love the wonderful hymn of the saved, Amazing Grace whose final stanza proclaims
When we've been there 10,000 years bright shining as the sun
We no less days to sing God's praise, than when we first begun
But few Christians face the facts concerning the anthem of the damned
When we've been there 10,000 years burning as if in the center of the sun
We've no less days to scream in again, than when we first begun

Make A Decision: The compelling truth of Hell forces upon all Christians a decision. That decision is to share the gospel. To give a clear presentation of the gospel followed by the earnest appeal, "Would you like to pray right now to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?". Earthly good works are of no value if the one to whom you are ministering to in this life spends eternity burning in Hell in the next.

Do Something: Begin to share Christ as if the result of the decision was not a lower quality of life but rather an eternity burning and screaming in agony in the fires of Hell. One of the driving forces in evangelism for me is the doctrine of Hell. We do not plead for people to come to Christ to better their lives. We do not beg people to repent so they may experience health, wealth and prosperity. We do not suffer shame, sarcasm and persecution on behalf of others because they are missing out on all the fun they can have as Christians. No, we relentlessly witness, plead, beg and suffer for others because if they do not receive Christ they face nothing less than an eternity screaming in agony amidst the fires of Hell.

It is my hope that your application to the reality of Hell will be that of God the Holy Spirit. That during the course of the Daily Quiet Times Alone With God on the topic of Hell -
Your have gotten the facts, you have been willing to face these facts and now you are going to make decisions based on these facts and do something about them. In this case that something will be as Paul stated in 2 Corinthians 5:20 ***" Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; <u>we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God</u>."***

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QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell – Our Application (6 of 6)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 5:1 - 10

What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

From this passage what is the Christian's response to the impending wrath of God? (Considering both your salvation and the impending doom of eternity in Hell for the lost what would God have you do?)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Thessalonians 2;14 – 16

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ephesians 2:1 – 5

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 13:36-52
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 18:7 – 9
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Matthew 25:31 – 46
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Mark 9:42 – 48
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Luke 16:19 – 31
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 3:18 & 19
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 3:36
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 5:19 – 32
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 12:31 & 32
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Acts 10:42 & 43
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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From this passage what is the Christian's response to the impending wrath of God? (Considering both your salvation and the impending doom of eternity in Hell for the lost what would God have you do?)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 1:16 - 19
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 10:1
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Romans 10:9 & 10
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Corinthians 5:10 & 11
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ephesians 5:6 – 12
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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Colossians 3:1 – 7

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Timothy 1:8 & 9

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Timothy 4:1 – 5

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Titus 3:5 -8
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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From this passage what is the Christian's response to the impending wrath of God? (Considering both your salvation and the impending doom of eternity in Hell for the lost what would God have you do?)

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 9:27 & 28
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Peter 3:1 – 13
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THEME: Doctrine of Hell – Our Application

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Peter 3:11 - 18

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Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I John 4:17 & 18; Romans 8:1; John 5:24

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Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelation 14:6 & 7

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Revelation 20:1 - 10**
What new insights have I gained from the word "saved"? (Remember "salvation" is not just from an unhappy lifestyle)

Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Revelation 20:11 - 15**
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Considering this passage and my salvation from the wrath of God, am I convicted, encouraged or challenged?

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: **Revelation 21:1 - 8**
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QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell_7 – Application part Two – Extra-Biblical Revelation

Not only in the world but in the church today, Hell is big business. Now when I say "Hell" I do not mean conferences where the doctrinal study of Hell from the Word of God is emphasized. Where passages are exposited with reference to the original languages. Where extensive Bible study, meditation and Scripture memory is involved. Where the attendees come, having done hours of study in preparation to being taken deep into the Word of God. In fact, the state of the church is such that, in reading the above, your response is most likely "and what planet do you come from?". No, when I say Hell is big business I mean the books written by false teachers and apostles, who falsely claim to have died and gone to Hell and come back. I mean the meetings or revivals where false prophets, apostles and teachers claim to have had visions or experiences, whereby they have actual firsthand accounts of Hell. I mean those false prophets, teachers and apostles, who in direct disobedience to the Word of God and God the Holy Spirit speak to demons, listen to what they have to say about Demonology and Hell and then teach these doctrines of demons to an eager church, who would rather have its ears tickled by that which is expressly forbidden, than to go deep into the holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word of God. No, in the church today there is no money to be made teaching the Bible but there is a lot of money to be made by those who falsely claim to have died and gone to Hell and returned, who have the so-called ministry of deliverance and, in rebellion to God, pass on the doctrines of demons, who have false and deceiving revelatory experiences concerning Hell or who, in disobedience to the Word of God teach stories, legends and false accounts with the same authority as if taken from the holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word of God. Pastors who know better are lured by full meetings and overflowing offering plates. Book sellers who know better are lured by increased sales. Christians who know better are lured to their televisions, conferences and so-called deliverance ministries out of a curiosity to know that which God the Holy Sprit in His infinite wisdom has chosen to withhold. Yes' there is big business in the false teachings of Hell.

In this series of Daily Quiet Times Alone With God, we will meditate on where we can learn about Hell (and by default Heaven, Angels, Demons, etc., etc.) and where we are forbidden to go for knowledge. God the Holy Spirit clearly teaches us in 2 Peter 1:6 that, to our quest of knowledge we are to add self-control: ***"and in your knowledge self-control…"*** It was a thirst for forbidden knowledge that man came to be lured by satan to sin. In Genesis 3:5, satan tempts Eve by saying, ***"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."*** We live in an age where satan continually tempts Christians to know that which is forbidden. In the 21st Century, knowledge is everything – sophistication, power, intelligence, even the quality of human life itself is defined by the ability to know. If it can be known, then man has a right to know it. Man will decide for himself if it is useful or not but no one should shield, protect or deny man the right to know that which can be known. This is not true. In God's value system, He clearly teaches us that, although it is possible to know gossip and slander, that this knowledge is forbidden to man. That even though it is possible to know pornography, that this knowledge is forbidden to man. This also includes extra-Biblical revelation. As it is possible to know gossip, as it is possible to know slander, as it is possible to know pornography, so it is possible to know certain spiritual things which are either false or forbidden. We will therefore meditate upon both what and where we may learn of the spiritual and in addition what is forbidden knowledge. As of this writing, there are four primary areas of forbidden knowledge, each for its own reason. The meditations, though, will also protect you and make you aware of future delusions and false ministries which may arise. These are…

After Death Experiences – this comes under false knowledge. No one goes to Hell and comes back

Statements of Demons – this comes under forbidden knowledge. We are forbidden by God the Holy Spirit to speak with, learn from or pass on knowledge from demons to others.

Revelatory Experiences – this comes under the delusion of knowledge given by deluding spirits.

Stories, Legends and Accounts – this comes under the heading of false knowledge. We do not have the authority nor the right to teach stories, legends and second hand-accounts as if they had the same authority as the Word of God.

It is the author's hope that, as a result of the meditations which follow, you will become bold in denouncing these false teachings and will join with me in calling men back to the sole revelation of Hell and all that is spiritual, through and only through the holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word of God.

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JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell_7 – Application part Two – Extra biblical Revelation

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Deuteronomy 29:29; Deuteronomy 30:11 – 14

Where are we to go for information on all spiritual matters, including Hell?

What should I be mindful of when studying Hell? What sources are forbidden, bogus or suspect?

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Hebrews 9:27; Job 7:7 -10; 14:3 – 6, 11. 12

How does this passage challenge the validity of "after death experiences" when it comes to our knowledge of Hell?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Luke 16:19 -26 (:26) : Isaiah 26:14

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QUIET TIMES ALONE WITH GOD

JEREMIAH 15:16

THEME: Doctrine of Hell_7 – Application part Two – Extra biblical Revelation

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I John 4:1;Revelation 22:18 & 19: I Corinthians 4:6

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PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Timothy 4:1 & 2

How does this passage challenge the validity of the statements of demons when it comes to our knowledge of Hell?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: John 8:44; II Chronicles 18:21 & 22;

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THEME: Doctrine of Hell_7 – Application part Two – Extra biblical Revelation

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Timothy 4:6 & 7; II Timothy 3:16 & 17
Where are we to go for information on all spiritual matters, including Hell?

What should I be mindful of when studying Hell? What sources are forbidden, bogus or suspect?

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: II Corinthians 11:13 – 15; Galatians 1:8; Revelations 22:18 & 19; Proverbs 30:5&6
How does this passage challenge the validity of revelatory experiences outside the Bible and our knowledge of Hell?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Ezekiel 13:9; 21:29; I Corinthians 1:6; Deuteronomy 4:2;
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THEME: Doctrine of Hell_7 – Application part Two – Extra biblical Revelation

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Titus 2:1 & 7; II Timothy 3:16 & 17
Where are we to go for information on all spiritual matters, including Hell?

What should I be mindful of when studying Hell? What sources are forbidden, bogus or suspect?

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: Revelations 22:18 & 19; Ephesians 4:14; II Timothy 4:3 & 4; Titus 1:13 & 14;
How does this passage challenge the validity of stories, legends and accounts of Hell not found in the Bible?

When I reflect on this passage, does it primarily convict, encourage or challenge me? Explain why:

When it comes to books, messages, testimonies, TV, internet or Revivals, how will I apply this passage to my life in the coming week and is there anything I can do today to make this passage a part of my Christian life?

PASSAGE FOR MEDITATION: I Corinthians 4:6; I Timothy 1:3 – 6; 4:7; II Peter 1:16
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Suggested Applications:

1. Make a personal commitment to both limit and subject all spiritual knowledge to that which God the Holy Spirit has chosen to reveal thought His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word – the Bible. Repent of the sin of Adam and Eve to know that which God has forbidden.

2. Go through your library and glean out all books that contain extra-Biblical revelation. By extra-Biblical Revelation I mean all books that contain information about Heaven, Hell, Jesus, the Apostles, Demons or Angles not found in the Bible. If the statement cannot be cross-referenced then it is extra-Biblical. This includes those who falsely claim to have died and gone to Heaven or Hell and come back to tell what it was like. This also includes those to have talked to or seen demons or angels. This includes those who have falsely claimed to have seen or talked to Jesus. This also includes those who have falsely claimed to have seen or talked to a dead person. Whether a CD, DVD, Tape or Book, glean them out and throw them away.

3. Decide now that when any of the above occur while listening to the Radio, watching TV, on a website, in church or in a meeting that you will close it, turn it off, shut it down or walk away.

4. satan has so contrived the playing field and defined the discussion that no Christian can speak up on this area without appearing to be rigid and without faith, or ignorant or insensitive. Reject this unlevel playing field as devised and defined by satan. Anyone who speaks openly about an experience, book or topic that entails extra-Biblical Revelation concerning Hell or any spiritual subject has done so publically. You have a right and responsibility to speak up. You do not have to sit by idly while others slander or gossip about your pastor, your pastor's wife or staff in the church. You do not have to sit by idly while others discuss the latest movie they went to see which contains pornographic images and you do not have to idly sit by while others discuss false teachings and revelations concerning Hell. Begin to speak up. Begin to exert your right to speak the truth in love with the same openness that the deceived and deceivers speak falsehoods.

5. If you want to read and glean from the studies of others on this topic, stick to Biblical studies and not the fantasies, delusions and lies of the so called "deliverance ministries". I would suggest the following books

Angeles Elect and Evil, C. Fred Dickason
Systematic Theology, Berkhoff Pages 728 - 738
Systematic Theology, Lewis Sperry Chafer - Volume 4 pages 427 – 433
Your Adversary the Devil, J. Dwight Pentecost
Basic Christian Doctrines, (A compilation of authors Edited by Carl F. Henery) pages 63 – 75 and 283-296
War On The Saints, Jessie Penn-Lewis and Evan Roberts
A Survey of Bible Doctrine, Charles Caldwell Ryrie pages 89 – 99 and 159 - 184

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