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WHO IS

GOD

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The God who Judges



**HEY!
I HAVE A
QUESTION!**

Summer Sermon Series

This week's question:

“Why would God punish anyone if God is love?”

~ on hell and heaven

Focus Passage: Romans 5:8



The God who Judges

Matthew 25:31-46

³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

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Matthew 25:31-46

³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?

³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

The God who Judges

Matthew 25:31-46

⁴¹Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' ⁴⁴They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' ⁴⁵He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' ⁴⁶Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

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Revelation 20:11-15

¹¹Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ¹²And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. ¹³The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. ¹⁴Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. ¹⁵If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

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"God could NEVER make such a place!"

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“Solutions” to the Objections:

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1. *The “Hell? No!” View*
Universalism

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“Solutions” to the Objections:

2. *The empty-hell view*
God “overlooks” sin

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“Solutions” to the Objections:

3. *The annihilated in hell view.*

Annihilationism

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“Solutions” to the Objections:

4. The released from hell view.

Second Probation

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OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 66:24

²⁴” And they will go out and look upon the dead bodies of those who rebelled against me; their worm will not die, nor will their fire be quenched, and they will be loathsome to all mankind.”

See also Psalm 49:14-15

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JOHN THE BAPTIST

Matthew 3:11, 12

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

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JESUS

Matthew 5:27-30

²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘Do not commit adultery.’

²⁸But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.”

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JESUS

Matthew 7:13, 14

¹³“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.

¹⁴But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.”

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DEMONS

Matthew 8:28, 29

²⁸When he arrived at the other side in the region of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men coming from the tombs met him. They were so violent that no one could pass that way. ²⁹“What do you want with us, Son of God?” they shouted. “Have you come here to torture us before the appointed time?”

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PAUL

2 Thessalonians 1:6-9

⁶God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you
⁷and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This
will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in
blazing fire with his powerful angels. ⁸He will punish those who
do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.
⁹They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out
from the presence of the Lord and from
the majesty of his power...

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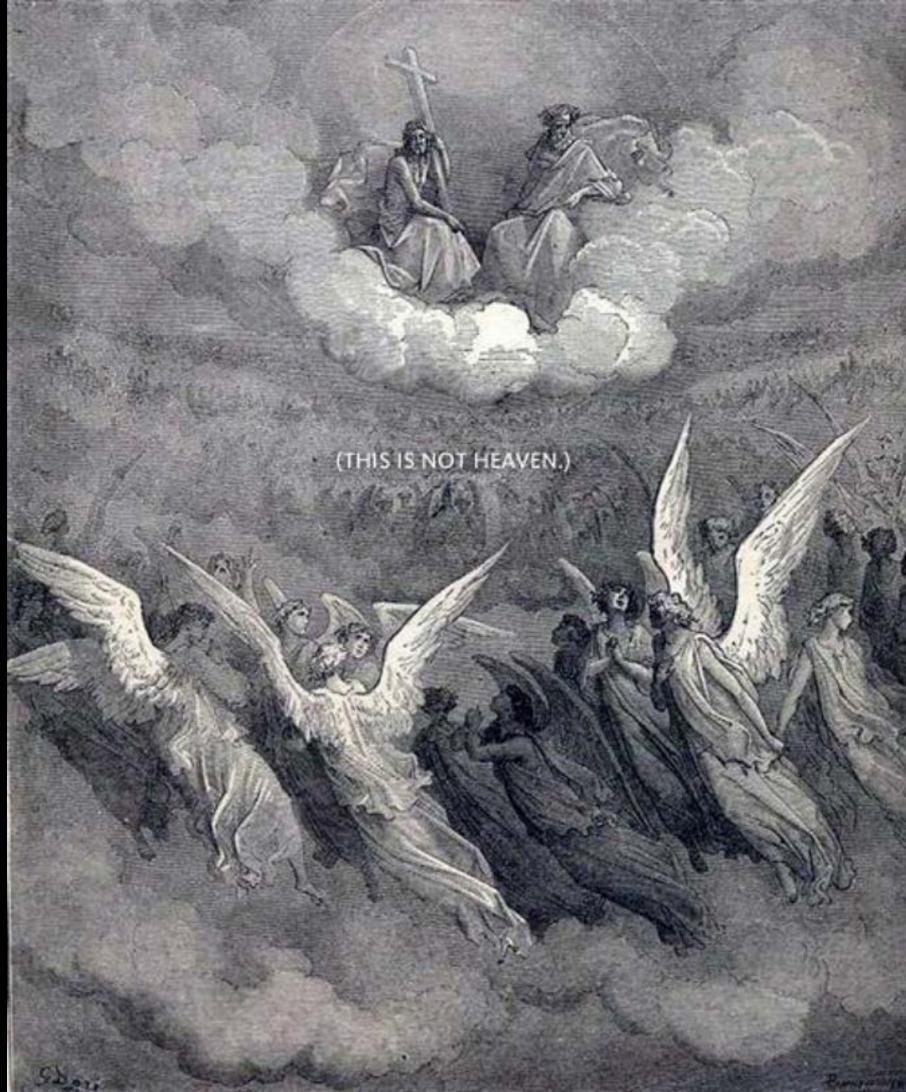
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7. In fact, without Christ ALL people would go there
(It is what we deserve!)

Common Misconceptions about heaven





(THIS IS NOT HEAVEN.)

S. Davis

W. P. Woodcut

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OLD TESTAMENT

The created "space"

Genesis 1:1, 2:1

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Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

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OLD TESTAMENT

The dwelling-place of God

1 Kings 8:30

Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling-place, and when you hear, forgive.

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OLD TESTAMENT

The 'new heavens' and 'new earth'

Isaiah 65:17

“Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind.”

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Jesus*

Matthew 19:27, 28

²⁷Peter answered him, “We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?” ²⁸Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Paul*

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:8

¹⁶Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

¹⁷For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Paul*

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:8

¹Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. ²Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling, ³because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. ⁴For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Paul*

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:8

⁵Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

⁶Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. ⁷We live by faith, not by sight. ⁸We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

See also - **Romans 8:18-25**

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Peter*

2 Peter 3:9-13

⁹The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Peter*

2 Peter 3:9-13

¹¹Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives

¹²as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming.

That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. ¹³But in keeping with his

promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

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NEW TESTAMENT - *Revelation*

Revelation 21:3-5

³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” ⁵He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!”

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NEW TESTAMENT

Revelation

Revelation 22:1-5

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be any curse.

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NEW TESTAMENT

Revelation

Revelation 22:1-5

The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

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Okay, so what's heaven like?

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1. It will be this world completely renewed and restored: a physical place



“The world into which we shall come in the future of Jesus Christ is not another world, but this world, this heaven and this earth, both having passed away and become new. These forests and fields, these cities and streets, these people will be there in the show place of redemption”

~ Eduard Thurneysen: (*The Return*, page 231).

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Okay, so what's heaven like?

2. It is the dwelling place of God!

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¹Meditations on God's Love as the Gift of Himself

John Piper

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Okay, so what's heaven like?

3. The curse will be completely gone!

“The total work of Christ is nothing less than to redeem this entire creation from the effects of sin. That purpose will not be accomplished until God has ushered in the new earth, until Paradise Lost has become Paradise Regained.”

~ Anthony Hoekema, *The Bible and the Future*, page 275



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Okay, so what's heaven like?

4. Unlike the fallen world, this new one will be always satisfying, joyful and without pain





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Okay, so what's heaven like?

5. It will be a beautiful place, vast in scope and filled with people from every tongue, tribe and nation

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Okay, so what's heaven like?

6. It is our blessed hope!

Gospel Application

How to go to hell

How to go to heaven

(back to the original question on God's love)

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Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, “Thy will be done,” and those to whom God says, in the end, “Thy will be done.” All that are in Hell, choose it. Without that self-choice there could be no Hell. No soul that seriously and constantly desires joy will ever miss it. Those who seek find. Those who knock it is opened.

~ C.S. Lewis, The Great Divorce





If sinners will be damned, at least let them leap to hell over our bodies; and if they will perish, let them perish with our arms about their knees, imploring them to stay, and not madly to destroy themselves. If hell must be filled, at least let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go there unwarned and unprayed for.