

# Heaven & Hell

*“One minute after you die you will either be elated or terrified.” - Erwin Lutzer*

*“...it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment...”*

**Hebrews 9:27**

# 5 Weeks:

**1. LAST WEEK:** *What happens one minute after I die?*

**2. THIS WEEK:** *Is Hell real? What is it like? Who goes there and why? Where is Hell? Is it physical or spiritual?*

**3. NEXT 3 WEEKS:** *What is Heaven like? What will we do there? What will our bodies be like? How will it be different than life on earth now? Is it physical or spiritual?*

## Isaiah 55:8–9

*[8] For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. [9] For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

# Vocabulary of “Hell”

**Sheol | Hades | Tartarus | The Abyss:** The temporary spiritual location where the unbelieving dead as well as the worst demons are tormented **UNTIL** the resurrection.

**Hell/The Lake of Fire/Gehenna:** The unbeliever’s permanent, physical, and terrible destiny away from God’s presence.

# Valley of Gehenna

1. Physical location
2. A visual metaphor of Hell
3. A synonym for a literal, future place called “Hell”

# 5 Questions

1. *Why Hell?*
2. *Where is Hell?*
3. *When do people go to Hell?*
4. *What happens in Hell?*
5. *What does Hell teach me about God?*



# 1. Why Hell?

**A:** Hell will be created:

1. Because of sin
2. For the Devil and his angels (Mt. 25:41)
3. For those who reject God

## 2. Where is Hell?

**A:** On the new earth

**Isaiah 66:22–24** - [22] *“For as **the new heavens and the new earth** that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain...*

## 2. Where is Hell?

**A:** On the new earth

**Isaiah 66:22–24** - *[23] From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.*

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**Isaiah 66:22–24** - 24] *“And they shall go out and look on the dead bodies of the men who have rebelled against me. For their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh.”*

## 2. Where is Hell?

**A:** On the new earth

**Daniel 12:2** - *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall **awake**, some to everlasting life, and some **to shame and everlasting contempt.***

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**John 5:28–29** - [28] *Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when **all who are in the tombs will** hear his voice [29] and **come out**, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to **the resurrection of judgment.***

### 3. When do people go to Hell?

**A:** After the great white throne judgment.  
- Revelation 20:7–15

## 4. What happens in Hell?

### A: 1. Furious judgment

**Hebrews 10:26–27** - [26] *For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, [27] but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.*



## 4. What happens in Hell?

**A:** 2. Eternal Torment that is:

- **Enduring:** 2 Thess. 1:9
- **Constant:** Rev. 14:11
- **Physical:** Rev 14:11
- **Emotional:** Matt 8:12
- **Relational:** Matt 8:12

# **So What?** *What does Hell Teach me about God?*

1. God is rightly furious at sin.
2. God is perfectly just.
3. God is unbelievably merciful.

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