

# "THUS SAITH THE LORD..."

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Encouraging people to "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15)

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## Who Is Going To Hell? (Revelation 21:8)



### A closer look at God's list of those going to hell

Do you know who is going to hell? In general, it is unrepentant sinners. But did you know that God has a specific list?

Revelation 21:8 says, "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

First of all, notice what hell consists of. There is fire and brimstone, so it is a hot place. But notice the second thing. It is called the second death. People evidently die in hell. Hell is not a place of endless torture. The second death would parallel the first death in that if we understand the first death, we will understand the second death.

When people say that a person has died that means the person has ceased to exist in this life. Oh, the body is still here, but it has no life. That is because to live requires two things. Genesis 2:7 says, "And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." The breath of life is what is missing from the body when a person dies. The body and breath are required for life.

So who suffers the second death or is going to hell? Topping the list is the fearful. Evidently it is not those fearing God for before Jesus returns (Revelation 14:14), a theme to the preaching in the last days will be "Fear God, and give glory to him" (Revelation 14:7). So there is a fear in the world but God calls people to

direct it towards Him. In the context, it is because "the hour of his judgment is come" (Revelation 14:7). People are being judged by God. So evidently society will not be concerned about God's judgment. It will be a carefree society. In fact, there will be more concern to please man than God. Directly speaking, it will be a time of political correctness even in conflict towards the call of God. People will fear to preach and teach and share the truth because certain things will be deemed not politically correct. In fear of jail, or offending people, silence will occur allowing sin to gain the upper hand. It is not politically correct to teach against any sexual preference outside of a married man and woman. It is not politically correct to teach against premarital sex. It is not politically correct to teach truth, which points out error in other denominations. It is not politically correct to show forth your religion in public. God says that if you are afraid to teach on these things, you are not worthy of heaven. So the blatant sinner is not the top of the list. It is the supposed Christian that remains silent. Obadiah represents overcoming fear (1 Kings 18:5-16).

Next in God's list is the unbelieving. This is more than saying "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31). Do you believe the Word of God to be the Words of God? "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word" (John 17:19-20). The minority of Christianity will be saved (Romans 9:27). The father of the son who had a dumb spirit represents victory over unbelief (Mark 9:17-29).

In the third position of God's list is the abominable or those committing an

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## Do You Have A TSTL For That???













If someone asked you "why do you believe that or why do you do that" could you give them an answer from the Bible — a TSTL?

Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

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abomination. True a man that lies with a woman as he would a woman is an abomination (Leviticus 20:13), but there are other abominations. That includes those that persist in eating swine's flesh (western staple diet) and the mouse (eastern staple diet) as Isaiah 66:15-18 brings out.

But God has at least 166 verses on abominations. We may think ourselves holy and even condemn others for their abomination but make sure you are not an abomination. Hate to miss out on the second coming. Remember, the Bible has been given to you not to uplift Jesus Christ but to outline the specific relationship with Him. One of the biggest abominations is to pretend to be a Christian but be acting like the devil (Titus 1:16). Hypocrites are no better and in fact are considered worst than any other abomination.

Just because you may say, I do not murder or kill, *"But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire"* (Matthew 5:22). So no one that is angry over non-eternal matters is going to heaven.

Keep in mind, righteous anger is not wrong. Righteous anger has nothing to do with material things in this world. Righteous anger is always associated with souls. You may be angry that sincere Christians are deceived. You may not be angry if your neighbor punches you in the face.

Whoremongers is the next group in God's list. 1 Timothy 1:9 *"Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine."* A whoremonger is any prostitution of the body. So, as you probably had on your list, practicing prostitutes are headed to hell – male and female. Good news, Mary Magdalene represents a prostitute that ceased from the business and was forgiven (John 8:1-11).

The next group in the list is sorcerers. Sorcerers use a bewitching method to

mislead people. By standard definition, the use of magic is employed, but on a spiritual matter, the use of any method to bewitch another person into being misled is inclusive. Many flock to people that are charismatic as opposed to the dry speaker. Charismatic can be a form of sorcery when it is used to mislead.

Following that group are the idolaters. Idolaters are stubborn people (1 Samuel 15:23). So stubborn people refusing to give up their sins, using every excuse to justify themselves, are facing hell. The fact that your parents did not know better does not excuse you since you have the light. Any light rejected is stubbornness or idolatry.

Finally, all liars are going to hell. ALL liars including the little white lies, the exaggerations, and the misuse of expression are included. Looking with the eyes one way and pointing in the opposite direction is a lie. Notice that it is the only one that has the word "all" in front of it. There are no exceptions.

So even though you may be a good person avoiding prostitution, blatant idolatry, murder, and many other grievous sins, a Christian in name only still can be going to hell because they fear to do God's work, are committing other abominations, and they are lying.

The Bible even teaches that workers for God will be going to hell.

*Matthew 7:21-23 says, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."*

These people call Jesus by a submission name — "Lord". That means they submit to Him in many matters.

These people *"Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof"* (2 Tim. 3:5).

As you see, God tells us that we can have the victory.

So let us stay off of God's list of the hell bent by studying where we are personally, where we need to repent, and seek His grace.

### DO YOU HAVE A TSTL FOR THAT?

The purpose of these Bible studies is to help you seek for a TSTL—"Thus Saith the Lord..." for all that you believe. May you go forward in this study with that goal.

To Be Deceived Is Not Wise (Proverbs 20:1)

- 1. What beverages are people greatly deceived upon thinking it is healthy but should be abstained from? **Proverbs 20:1**



- 2. What actions are most deceptive? **Proverbs 24:28**

- 3. What is the common phrase that teasers use when they are caught deceiving people? **Proverbs 26:19**

- 4. What shall people not trust in lest they be deceived? **Job 15:31**

- 5. What actions are people deceived into thinking they are working their way to heaven if they obey God and do such? **James 1:22**

- 6. What must people love in order to be protected from deception? **2 Thess. 2:10**

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#### ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S STUDY:

Getting A Thus Saith the Lord

- 1. What are the prophecies of the Bible not to be? **2 Peter 1:20** "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation."
- 2. How much of the scriptures are inspired of God? **2 Timothy 3:16** "All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"
- 3. What is the Bible (scriptures) good for? **2 Timothy 3:16** "All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"
- 4. What are the scriptures to do? **2 Timothy 3:16-17** "All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." [We made a mistake and left off verse 17.]
- 5. How does one study the Bible? **Isaiah 28:10** "For precept [must be] upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little" Take more than just a verse or two but several precepts and several lines of scripture and even the smaller parts of verses dealing with the topic.

## Think On These Things

### Evil is Good, and Good is Evil

The following is not just an ancient writing but even a prophecy for our day. That means what is yet to come will come.

*Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope: That say, Let him make speed, [and] hasten his work, that we may see [it]: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know [it]! Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto [them that are] wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Woe unto [them that are] mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink: Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him! Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, [so] their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcasses [were] torn in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand [is] stretched out still. And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly: None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken: Whose arrows [are] sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind: Their roaring [shall be] like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry [it] away safe, and none shall deliver [it]. And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if [one] look unto the land, behold darkness [and] sorrow, and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.*

Shall we get back to the law of God and obey?

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**WHO'S GOING  
TO HELL?**

(Main article)

**WHAT IS THE  
GREATEST  
THREAT A  
CHRISTIAN  
FACES?**

(Questions &  
Answers)

**ANSWERS FOUND IN THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH** (Daniel 10:21)



**QUESTION #1– What is the greatest threat a Christian faces? Torture, loss of freedom?**

**ANSWER #1–** Deception. The greatest threat is to believe that you are saved and you are not. That was also Jesus' concern.

Matthew 24 is a noted chapter for events of the last days. He mentions that there will be wars in a verse and a half. Famines, pestilence, and even earthquakes threaten many lives, but they are all mentioned in a half of a verse. Even the threat of being hauled off to court does not receive as much attention as deception.

*"And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many" (Matthew 24:4-5). "And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many" (Matthew 24:11). "Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here [is] Christ, or there; believe [it] not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible,*

*they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, [he is] in the secret chambers; believe [it] not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together" (Matthew 24:23-28). "But of that day and hour knoweth no [man], no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only" (Matthew 24:36). "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come" (Matthew 24:42). "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh" (Matthew 24:44). "But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; And shall begin to smite [his] fellow-servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for [him], and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint [him] his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Matthew 24:48-51).*

As one sees, a lot of the deception surrounds the second coming. Are you sure you have the correct understanding? Just

remember, if the view is popular, it should be a concern for the majority have mostly been wrong throughout history. And unfortunately, they will be wrong again. *"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matt. 7:21-23).*

Why is it important to have the second coming understood correctly? Because if one thinks they are the only generation to escape tribulation despite the fact that no other generation were able to escape theirs but only had the protection of God while still living on earth, then one would not be ready for the greatest deception of all – Antichrist. His most deceptive act is that of being able to *"wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25).* The apparent change of times and laws of God by the Antichrist deceives people who think they will not be here for Antichrist. That is a sad but successful deception – even worldwide.