

Stop Judging Me (part 3)

Why false teachers will be judged by God 2 Peter 2:4-10a (part 3) Chris Mueller 2-16-2020

Introduction:

#1 HELL IS _____

2 Thessalonians 1:6-9 It is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you...when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power.

Revelation 20:10-12,15 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds....And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Mark 9:43-44 If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life crippled, than, having your two hands, to go into hell, into the unquenchable fire, where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.

#2 HELL IS _____ AND DEATH

Matthew 7:13-14 Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

#3 HELL IS _____

Matthew 7:23 And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS."

Matthew 25:41 Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels.

#4 HELL IS A PLACE OF _____

DARKNESS

Matthew 22:13 Then the king said to the servants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

FIRE

SUFFERING

James 5:3 Your gold and your silver have rusted; and their rust will be a witness against you and will consume your flesh like fire.

#5 HELL IS _____

Matthew 25:41 Then He will also say to those on His left, "Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels."

Revelation 20:10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Matthew 16:24-25 Then Jesus said..."If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it."

Matthew 8:29 They cried out, saying, "What business do we have with each other, Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?"

Matthew 18:34 And his lord, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he should repay all that was owed him.

2 Peter 2:1-10a But false prophets...their judgment from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep. For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment; and did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, with seven others, when He brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; and if He condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to destruction by reducing them to ashes, having made them an example to those who would live ungodly lives thereafter; and if He rescued righteous Lot, oppressed by the sensual conduct of unprincipled men (for by what he saw and heard that righteous man, while living among them, felt his righteous soul tormented day after day by their lawless deeds), then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from temptation, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment for the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority.

#1 examples of God's judgment of the ungodly and rescuing the godly

PROVE God will judge 4-8

1st Angels were judged by God - the HEIGHT of God's wrath

4 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment

2nd All people at the flood were judged by God - the BREADTH of God's wrath

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3rd Sodom and Gomorrah were judged by God - the DEPTH of God's wrath

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7 and if He rescued righteous Lot, oppressed by the sensual conduct of unprincipled men 8 (for by what he saw and heard that righteous man, while living among them, felt his righteous soul tormented day after day by their lawless deeds)

#2 principles of judgment of the ungodly and rescuing the godly

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9 THEN the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from temptation, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment for the Day of Judgment, 10 and especially those who indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 *Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals...will inherit the kingdom of God.*

Romans 13:2 *Whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.*

2 Thessalonians 1:6-10 *It is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed—for our testimony to you was believed.*

TAKE HOME:

A – It is not to speak of HELL

B – It is God's that leads to repentance
Romans 2:4

C – Not everyone who attends church is going to

John 15:2 *Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit.*

John 15:16 *You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain.*

D – Grow in your of the sovereign judge and protector

Proverbs 3:5-6 *Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight.*

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

1. What are some of the errant concepts of Hell from non-Christians? From Christians?
2. Why is it important that Christians embrace the truth of eternal torment in Hell?
3. How will an accurate understanding of HELL change the way a believer lives?
4. Name and describe all the different aspects of HELL—what will it really be like?
5. How does the Lord punish the guilty and preserve the elect both at the same time?
6. How does a spiritual leader identify a potential false teacher from today's passage and from the entire chapter?
7. Why is it healthy for a believer to think often of the coming judgment of non-believers and of the judgment for real believers?
8. What steps will you take to live differently as a result of this passage?

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