

Heaven or Hell?

“He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. 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.” Revelation 21:7-8.

The words above were spoken by Jesus Christ to the Apostle John in his vision of the “new heaven and the new earth” Revelation 21:1. He heard a voice saying, “...there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” Revelation 21:4. The Bible tells us a new heaven and new earth is prepared for overcomers. There is another place prepared for all the rest. It is called “the lake of fire.” The list of its inhabitants begins with “the fearful and unbelieving.”

They will be there along with the “abominable, murderers,” etc. The scripture clearly names those who will not be in heaven; “...neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God” 1 Corinthians 6:9-10.

Sadly, this is not a complete listing of those who will perish. The Apostle John saw a vision of the last great judgment day. He describes it as follows;

“And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” Revelation 20:12-15

Many professing Christians love to speak of the damnation of the LGBTQ, while not considering their own eternal state. Jesus described the fate of many good and moral church members who live in our generation.

“For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.” Matthew 24:38-39

Certainly “eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage” is not sin. These may have been good, family-oriented people. Perhaps they despised the vulgar culture that filled the earth in their day. The scripture describes that culture; “every imagination of the thoughts of his (man's) heart was only evil continually” Genesis 6:5. The “good” people saw old Noah building a huge ship on dry land, and heard him preach of judgment to come, but they “knew not.” They did not understand, and the “good” people perished along with the evil. They could have had a place of safety in the ark if they had believed. Jesus Christ is our “ark” of safety for all who trust in Him.

You will never enter Heaven with iniquity in your heart or life. Jesus told us many would stand before him saying, “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?” Yet, Jesus said,

*Is your name written there? Have you been made whole?
If the Lord should come today, who would claim your soul?
Ask yourself, search your heart, make your answer fair.
Are you saved? Is your name written there?*

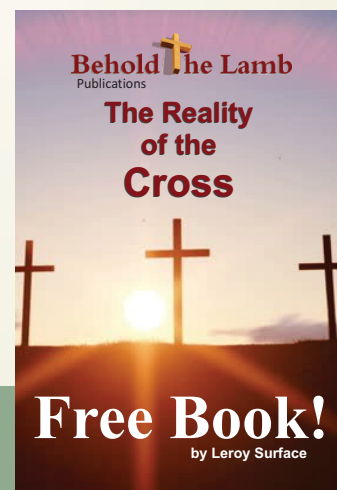
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“And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.” Matthew 7:22.

Jesus died on the cross to make us “free from sin.” He said, to some who professed to believe in Him, “If you continue in my word, ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” John 8:31-32. Those “believers” were offended, saying, “What do you mean 'make us free? We are Abraham's seed, and not in bondage to any man.” Jesus' next words cut them to their heart; “He that commits sin is the slave to sin...If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed” John 8:36.

What is the “truth” which Jesus said would make us free from sin? It is found in the words Peter spoke to Jesus, saying, “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Matthew 16:16. It is found in the words of John the Baptist, who described Jesus as “the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” John 1:29. It is found in the words of the angel Gabriel, who told us “the Messiah the Prince” would come “to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity” Daniel 9:24-25.

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