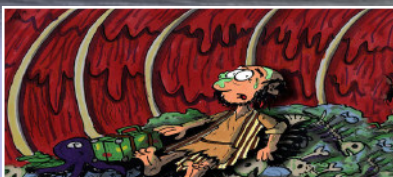


.... the whale felt like forever, he was actually there for only "thr_e d_ys and th_ee ni_hts."



In Jonah, "forever" meant a period of only 3 days and 3 nights. It was used as a figure of speech.



In 1 Samuel, "forever" meant as long as Samuel lived as he lent to the service of the Lord.

***Note:** As forever was used in these 2 stories as a figure of speech, forever in Revelation 14:13 and 20:10 are used to describe a period of time that will feel like forever, but will NOT be literally without end.

8) What will determine how long people are burned in hell before destroyed? -Luke 12:47, 48.

- 1 - Those who "knew h_s L_rd's w_ll, and prepared n_t himself, neither did according to his w_ll", will be punished much in hellfire.
- 2 - Those who "knew n_t", will be punished little in hellfire.

***FACT:** The word "hell" has several meanings in the Bible. Notice the 4 words that are all translated to the English word hell in the Bible:

- 1) Sheol (Old Testament Hebrew) = the grave
- 2) Hades (New Testament Greek) = the grave
- 3) Gehenna (New Testament Greek) = place of burning

*The word "Gehenna" comes from the word "Gehinnom," which means the "Valley of Hinnom." The Valley of Hinnom was a garbage dump site that was south west of the city of Jerusalem. The fire burned continuously at this site.

- 4) Tartarus (New Testament Greek) = place of torment

9) Does God enjoy the torment of the wicked? What does God desire of the wicked? -Ezekiel 33:11.

- 1 - God has "no plea_ure in the d_ath of the w_cked."
- 2 - God desires that the "wicked t_rn fr_m his w_y and l_ve."

10) Will hellfire go out? What will happen to the world after the earth is cleansed with fire? -Isaiah 47:14, Revelation 21:1

- 1 - The Bible says that after hellfire "bu_ns" the wicked, there shall "n_t be a co_l to wa_m at", because it will go out.
- 2 - After the earth is cleansed with fire, God will create a "n_w hea_en and new earth."

Appeal) Will you prepare for the new heaven and new earth and escape the flames of hell? ____.

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Build on the Rock Doctrinal Lesson Series 2023

Lesson 12:

"True Hell Fire vs. the Pagan Myths"



Jesus once said "ye shall know the Truth and the Truth will make you free." The Devil doesn't want us to be free, so he has sought to pervert and corrupt truth ever since the Garden of Eden. He will often use his agents to replace Bible Truths with pagan myths. This is exactly what has happened to the doctrinal Truth about hell commonly taught in Christian churches, today. Complete this lesson with the KJV Bible and find out the Truth about hell as opposed to the pagan myths that are being taught!

1) What 2 options does the Bible teach that every soul has to choose from?

-Romans 6:23

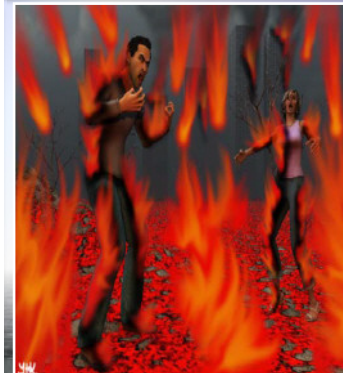
1 - We must choose to accept the "gi_t of ete_nal l_fe through Jesus" or "de_th."



***Note:** The Bible simplifies life to the fact that there are only two paths and two destinations. These destinations are either ETERNAL LIFE in HEAVEN, or DEATH, which will come by HELLFIRE. Notice that the options are NOT eternal life in heaven, or eternal life in hell. The options are LIFE or DEATH.

2) What will eventually happen to people that choose to walk the wide path to destruction? -Malachi 4:1-3, Psalms 37:20; 112:10.

- 1 - The "d_y cometh" in the future that "shall b_rn like an oven" and all the wicked "shall be st_bble" and they shall be burned "u_." They will be "as_es."
- 2 - The "wicked shall per_ish" and shall "cons_me away."
- 3 - The "wicked shall gn_sh with his teeth" and will "me_t aw_y."



The wicked will be burned up!

3) What will happen to both soul and body in hell? Who will destroy the wicked in hell, Jesus or Satan? -Matthew 10:28

1 - The Bible says that both "soul and boody" will be destroyed in "hell."

2 - Satan and his followers can "kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul." Only Jesus can destroy "soul and body in hell."

4) Are the wicked burning in hell right now? If not, what are the wicked doing right now?

-Job 21:30-32, Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6.

1 - The wicked are being "restored to the day of destruction." They shall be brought forth "to the day of wrath. Until then, they are "brought to the grave, and shall restain in the tomb."

2 - The wicked are asleep in the grave and "know not anything." Their "love and their hared and their eny is now perished."



The wicked are asleep in the grave.



5) If hell fire is NOT burning right now, when will it be ignited and who will start the fire? -Matthew 13:49, 50, Revelation 20:9.

1 - At the "end of this world", God will cast the wicked into the "fure of fire."

2 - Hell fire will come "down from God out of heaven and devour the wicked."

6) Will Satan be in charge of hell tormenting souls with a pitch fork? -Matthew 25:41, Ezekiel 28:17, 18.

1 - Satan is NOT in charge of hell, but hell is "prepared for the Devil and his angels."

2 - God will "bring forth a fire out of the mist" of Satan and he will be turned into "ashes."



***Note:** Here are the facts about hell revealed so far in this study:

Fact #1 - The wicked are NOT going to burn in hell for an eternity, but will rather be BURNED UP and DESTROYED.

Fact #2 - Hell fire NOT only destroys the body, but also the soul of man.

Fact #3 - Hell fire is NOT burning right now and the wicked are asleep in the grave.

Fact #4 - Hell fire will be ignited at the END of the WORLD by God himself.

Fact #5 - Satan is NOT in charge of hell, but both he and his angels will be destroyed in the lake of fire.

***Question:** How does the Devil look like?



Does he look like this?



Satan was a fallen angel.

***Answer:** It's important to know that the Devil does NOT look like this creature to the left. He does NOT carry a pitchfork, have goat-like features, bat wings, a tail, nor is red. These characteristics were adopted from different pagan myths.

***Note:** The popular perception of the Devil, today, was adopted from



...part goat and part human SATYR and FAUN from Greek and Roman myths.



...the pitchfork of the Roman god PLUTO, the god of the underworld.



...the bat wings of the GARGOYLES of medieval times.

***Note:** The Truth is that Satan is a fallen angel from heaven. He still looks like an angel, but has lost much of his beauty from living in rebellion against God. Though, he is no longer the brightest angel, he can "transform himself into an angel of light." -2 Corinthians 11:14



The Greek god Hades

***Note:** The Roman god Pluto originated from the Greek god Hades, who was also god of the underworld. One of his responsibilities was to supervise the dead. This myth was adopted into the Christian church during the middle ages and is where we get the false idea that Satan supervises the dead in the fiery pits of hell.

7) The Bible says in Revelation 14:13 that the torment of the wicked ascends up "forever and ever." What instances in the Bible is the word "forever" used that is NOT literally referring to a period without end? -1 Samuel 1:22, 28, Jonah 2:6; 1:17.

1 - Hanna brought her child to "appear before the Lord" to abide there "forever." The Bible clarifies forever in verse 28 as being "as long as he liveth."

2 - The Bible says that Jonah went "down to the bottom" in the belly of the whale and he was stuck there "forever." Though, being in the belly of....