

Hell – What Is it Like

~ *Isa 33:14*

1. Is Hell/Lake of Fire Real

- a. 1st mention *Deut 32:21-22*
- b. Or do we just cease to exist (annihilation) : *Matt 18:8, 25:41, Isa 66:24, Mk 19-48, Jude 7*
- c. “*But Paul doesn’t use the word.*”
- d. Paul describes hell with words like condemnation, damnation, wrath, vengeance & destruction
- e. Condemnation: *Rom 5:16, 18* Damnation *3:8, 2 Th 2:12*, wrath *Rom 2:5, 8; 5:9; 9:22, 1 Th 1:10, 5:9*
 - i. *2 Th 1:7-9* – vengeance & destruction Neither is the word trinity or rapture – all 3 clearly taught

2. What is it like?

- a. Some suggest it will involve & offend all 5 senses: taste, touch, hearing, sight, smell
 - i. Taste: *Lk 16:25* the tongue suffers in hell – *Jas 3:6* it is set on fire in hell
 - ii. Smell: brimstone/sulfur when heated smells horribly
 - iii. Hearing: *Matt 13:42* wailing, crying & weeping *Matt 25:30*
 - iv. Touch: called lake of fire i.e. burning – *EX cut grass when it’s hot & jump into pool* – sensation
 - v. Sight: Darkness *Matt 22:13; Jude 1:6, 13; 2 Pt 2:4, 17*
- b. Not just an end/sleep/party: *Rev 14:10-11*, but judgment *20:10-11, 15*
- c. God is the victim & judge: David the murderer sinned against God *Ps 51:4*
- d. Punishment determined by the crime: *Rev 20:12-13*
 - i. As God’s law to Israel expected: *Lk 19:1-2, 8* Zacchaeus gave more than required *Lev 6:5, Ex 22:1, 4*