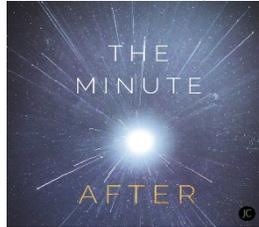


THE MINUTE AFTER – Week #2
The Horrors of Hell
November 14, 2021



Matthew 7:13 (NLT) *You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. **The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way.** ¹⁴ But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it.*

2 REASONS WHY HELL EXISTS:

Revelation 20:10 (NLT) *Then the devil, who had deceived them, was thrown into the fiery lake of burning sulfur, joining the beast and the false prophet. There they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.*

FIRST - hell exists for God to deal righteously with Satan.

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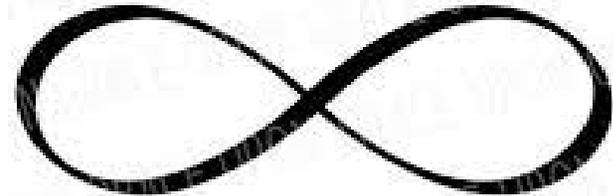
SECOND - hell exists for God to deal righteously with unbelievers.

Rev 20:11-15 (NLT) *The earth and sky fled from his presence, but they found no place to hide. I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were*

*opened, **including the Book of Life.** And the dead were judged according to what they had done, as recorded in the books. ¹³ The sea gave up its dead, and death and the grave gave up their dead. **And all were judged according to their deeds.** ¹⁴ Then death and the grave were thrown into the lake of fire. This lake of fire is the second death. ¹⁵ **And anyone whose name was not found recorded in the Book of Life was thrown into the lake of fire.***

God's Perfect Balance:

Love/Grace/Mercy -----Justice/Holiness



2 Thessalonians 1:8-10 (NLT) *He will come with his mighty angels, ⁸ in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those **who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus.** ⁹ They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power. ⁹ They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power. ¹⁰ When he comes on that day, he will receive glory from his holy people—praise from all who believe. And this includes you, for you believed what we told you about him.*

Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

Luke 16:19 (NIV) *There was a certain rich man who was splendidly clothed in purple and fine linen and who lived each day in luxury.*



V. 22-23 (NIV) *The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side.*

V. 24-28 (NIV) *The rich man shouted, 'Father Abraham, have some pity! Send Lazarus over here to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue. I am in anguish in these flames.'* ²⁵ *"But Abraham said to him, 'Son, remember that during your lifetime you had everything you wanted, and Lazarus had nothing. So now he is here being comforted, and you are in anguish. ²⁶ And besides, there is a great chasm separating us. No one can cross over to you from here, and no one can cross over to us from there.'* ²⁷ *"Then the rich man said, 'Please, Father Abraham, at least send him to my father's home. ²⁸ For I have five brothers, and I want him to warn them so they don't end up in this place of torment.*

Revelation 14:10-11 (NLT) *And they will be tormented with fire and burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and the Lamb. ¹¹ The smoke of their torment will rise forever and ever, and they will have no relief day or night*

Romans 6:23 (NLT) *For the **wages of sin is death**, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.*

John 3:16-18 (NIV) **For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.**

Parable of the lost sheep

Luke 15:4-7 (NIV) *Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. **Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?** ⁵ *And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, '**Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.**' ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.**

John 10:10 (ESV) *The thief [this is the devil] comes only to steal and kill and destroy. [but Jesus says] I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.*

TAKE IT FURTHER/CHALLENGE:

- Do you believe in hell and the enemy? What was the picture you had of hell in your mind before today? Did today's message change that at all?
- How does talking about hell make you feel?
- Do you feel any urgency to share this message about eternity with others?
- Are you living in the abundant life Jesus promised here on earth? If not, what do you think is blocking that?

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