

What Happens After You Die

Week 2: HELL

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

OPENING QUESTION:

- If hell is real, what could you do right now to reduce hell's size?

GROUPS [VIDEO GUIDE](#)

READ IT AGAIN:

- [Matthew 25:31-41](#)

DISCUSS:

- Why do you think fewer and fewer people believe in hell?
- Read the following passages and come up with a description of what you think hell will be like: Matthew 13:50; 25:41, 46; 2 Thessalonians 1:9; Revelation 14:11; 20:10, 15; 21:8.
- C.S. Lewis said that God doesn't send people to hell, but people who reject God choose to go where he is not. Given that, what does C.S. Lewis mean when he said that Hell is "the greatest monument to human freedom."?
- How would Christianity be different if there was no hell? How would your view of God change if there was no hell?

PRAYER:

Let's go around the room and thank God for the various and multiple forms of kindness He gives us.

SCRIPTURES:

- **Revelation 21:8**, "But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."
- **Matthew 10:28**, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell."
- **Matthew 25:46**, "And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."
- **Revelation 20:10**, "And the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever."

- **Romans 6:23**, “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”
- **Matthew 25:41**, “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’”
- **Revelation 20:15**, “And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.”
- **Matthew 5:22**, “But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.”
- **Revelation 14:11**, “And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name.”
- **1 Thessalonians 1:9**, “They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might.”
- **Matthew 13:50**, “And throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”
- **2 Peter 2:4**, “For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment.”
- **John 3:16-18**, “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.”

