

WHY I DO NOT LAUGH AT JOKES ABOUT HELL

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People Are Most Precious

People are **much more** precious than gold or silver, fame or success.

All people of any race or gender, country or age, will live forever and not die. While physical bodies grow old, the real person, the person on the inside, the part of a person that the Bible calls the "hidden man of the heart," (1 Peter 3:4) does and will live forever!

This is why I do not laugh at hell jokes. The truth of eternal life and eternal death are real to me, for all human beings. **Eternal life** is very good, full of happiness and joy with the heavenly God family. **Eternal death** is very awful, full of gross darkness and with unending torment, pain, fear and aloneness.

How Do I Know This To Be True?

I know these truths for two main reasons.

First, I have personally experienced eternal life because I have received Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. We must be born again to enter into the kingdom of God (John 3:3). My good works or deeds may help some on earth, but these good works could never remove my sins. Only the blood of Jesus can do that. "*The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin*" (1 John 1:7).

Sin is universal and found in the heart and the mind of all individuals and seen in the works of our unsaved flesh or bodies. Sin is not just involvement with tobacco, drugs or immoral sex. Those are what the Bible calls "sins." Sin is separation from a holy God because of sins.

Secondly, I know there is eternal life and eternal death because of what Jesus and others in the Bible teach about heaven and hell.

"And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire" (Mark 9:43-47).

All Men Are Created Equal in the Sight of God

While men are created equal, their God-given free will gives each person a right to accept or reject this God that created them, loves them and desires to bless them now and in eternity. This most important decision of being reconciled or made right, with their Creator, must happen **before** their physical death on earth. If this decision is left undone before physical death, that person is still alive but in the fallen state of eternal darkness and misery called hell.

There is a hell, and it is hot and fiery, and not pleasant. It was not created for people at God's original design and creation of man and this world, but is now the final resting place devil, the troublemaker and those men who choose to follow the devil while living on earth.

“And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire . . . and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever” (Rev. 20:12).

How Could A Good God Do This To People?

Take time to find out the answer to this question! The answer to this question is all throughout the Bible. Take time to find it out! God is good, but the devil is bad. God is never anyone's problem and never will be. He is always the answer. God has done a great thing to save mankind from their sins, because He sent Himself!

Love Always Gives!

How much more can any person give, but their own self for another? God made a way to keep people out of hell and eternal death by sending Jesus.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

It is now up to each individual to decide where they will spend eternity.

Hell is a real place, and it is forever. This is why I do not laugh at jokes about hell.

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