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Jesus Christ Second Coming – Lesson 24

Millennium Part 02

2. Removal and binding of Satan

Revelation 20:1-2, Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. ² He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

SHEOL/HADES

At the time of death, the souls of the lost go directly to Hades, where they suffer in torment until the time of the Great White Throne Judgment when they will be resurrected and cast into the Lake of Fire.

The souls of all the lost who have already died are presently there and those who die in their sins immediately go there to join them.

Hades is the New Testament equivalent of the Old Testament word Sheol. The Greek and Hebrew words

speak of the same place, the present Hell. However, this is problematic because Sheol has been translated "grave" as often as it has "hell" and some have mistakenly taught that Sheol and Hades are only references to the grave rather than Hell. This erroneous teaching leads to the denial of the existence of an immediate or present Hell. The false doctrine of soul-sleep, and other ideas that teach the unconscious state of the dead between death and resurrection, spring from this error.

The common word for "grave" in the Old Testament is *queber*. Of the sixty-four times it is used,

it is translated "grave" thirty-four times, "sepulcher" twenty-six times, and "burying place" four times.

Queber is used five additional times as part of a place name, Kibroth-hattaavah, which means "graves of lust." Sheol is found sixty-four times, being rendered "grave" thirty-one times,

"hell" thirty-one times, and "pit" three times.

A comparison of how *Sheol* and *queber* are used reveals the contrast that tell us that they are not the same thing.

1. *Sheol* is never used in plural form. *Queber* is used in the plural 29 times.

- 2. It is never said that the body goes to *Sheol*. *Queber* speaks of the body going there 37 times.
- 3. *Sheol* is never said to be located on the face of the earth. *Queber* is mentioned 32 times as being located on the earth.
- 4. An individual's *Sheol* is never mentioned. An individual's *queber* is mentioned 5 times.
- 5. Man is never said to put anyone into *Sheol*. Individuals are put into a *queber* by man (33 times).
- 6. Man is never said to have dug or fashioned a *Sheol*. Man is said to have dug, or fashioned, a *queber* (6 times).
- 7. Man is never said to have touched *Sheol*. Man touches, or can touch, a *queber* (5 times).
- 8. It is never said that man is able to possess a *Sheol*. Man is spoken of as being able to possess a *queber* (7 times).

(These eight points of comparison are adapted from "Life and Death" by Caleb J. Baker, Bible Institute Colportage Ass'n, 1941).

THE FINAL HELL

The Lake of Fire, or Hell, is a literal place of everlasting fire that was originally created by God as a place of punishment for Satan and the angels that followed him in his rebellion against God (Matthew 25:41).

Because it is referred to as the place of "outer darkness" (Matthew 8:12; 25:30), it is most probably located at the farthest reaches of the creation.

Gehenna is described in Scripture as a "furnace of fire" (Matthew 13:42);

"everlasting punishment" (Matthew 25:46)

"the mist [gloom] of darkness" (II Peter 2:17);

the "hurt of the second death" (Revelation 2:11; 20:6,14; 21:8);

"a lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20; 20:10; 21:8).

While Hell was created for Satan and the other fallen angels, the unsaved of humanity from all ages will be with them in this place of torment where "there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth" (Matthew 13:42). This is the "everlasting reward" of all that die in their sins.

While there is no one in the Lake of Fire at this time, it will one day hold a vast multitude.

The first residents of this place of righteous retribution will be the Beast (Antichrist) and the False Prophet who, at the end of the Tribulation, will be "cast alive into a lake burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:19-20).

Joining them will be the unsaved of the nations who survive the Tribulation (Matthew 25:31-32,41-46).

Also, at Jesus Christ's return to earth, the rebel Israelites, i.e. unbelieving Jews, who survive the Tribulation, will be denied entrance into the Millennial Kingdom, no doubt to join their Gentile counterparts in the "place of everlasting fire" (Ezekiel 20:33-38; Matthew 7:21-23; Matthew 24:29-31,45-51).

Then, at the end of the Millennial Kingdom of Jesus Christ, Satan will be "cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever" (Revelation 20:10).

Finally, the unsaved dead of all ages will be raised and judged at the Great White Throne by Jesus Christ and then cast into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 20:11-15).

The name Gehenna comes from a deep narrow ravine south of Jerusalem where some Hebrew parents actually sacrificed their children to the Ammonite god, Molech, during the time of the kings (2 Kin. 16;3; 2Chronicles 28:1-3; Leviticus 18:21; 1 Kings 11:5,7,33).

This pagan deity is also referred to as Malcham, Milcom, and Moloch in the Bible. This valley later served as the city dump and, because there was continual burning of refuse there, it became a graphic symbol of the place of punishment for the wicked. It was named the "Valley of Hinnom," which translated into Greek becomes Gehenna.

The passages where the word is found in the New Testament plainly show that it was a commonly used expression for Hell by that time.

The word is found twelve times in the Scriptures, being used eleven times by the Lord Jesus and once by James. When we consider the context, it is clear the Lord used this word in reference to the place of everlasting punishment for the wicked dead and not to the city dump.

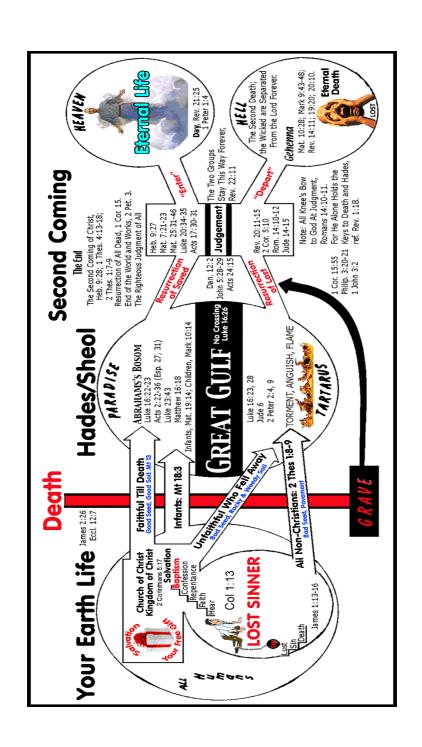
Gehenna, or the Lake of Fire, might be referred to as the future, or final, Hell because it is where all of the wicked from all ages will finally end up. Satan, the fallen angels,

and all of the lost of mankind will reside in torment there forever and ever.

TARTARUS

The Apostle Peter used the word *Tartarus* in reference to "the angels that sinned" that God delivered to Sheol/Hades to await judgment (2 Peter 2:4). This word, which is translated "hell" in the KJV, was used in Greek mythology to refer to the place of punishment for the most wicked.

It is not clear if Peter was using this word in reference to Sheol/Hades in a general way or if he was referring to a specific compartment of Sheol/Hades where a certain class of fallen angels are confined awaiting final judgment. This is consistent with the overall Biblical teaching about the existence and purpose of Sheol/Hades.



So please understand this clearly.

There is no one in hell or at the Lake of Fire at the moment.

Satan will not to go to present hell and he will be directly cast into Lake of Fire.

First entrant will be Antichrist and False Prophets into hell.

There were angels who sinned in Genesis 6 are been bound in Abyss.

Satan will be bound for 1,000 years at the Abyss.

After that he will be released for some time before making his final attempt then he will be cast into the Lake of fire.

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So the Angel will bind Satan for a thousand years.

Devil = Slanderer = accuser

Isaiah 24:21-23, It shall come to pass in that day That the Lord will punish on high the host of exalted ones, And on the earth the kings of the earth. ²² They will be gathered together, As prisoners are gathered in the pit, And will be shut up in the prison; After many days they will be punished. ²³ Then the moon will be disgraced And the sun ashamed; For the Lord of hosts will reign On Mount Zion and in Jerusalem And before His elders, gloriously.

Revelation 20:3,³ and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.