# Basic Christianity vs. Basic Cults

A book that cuts through deception and lies on one hand while bringing fourth the truth on the other. This book teaches the basic doctrines of Christianity while at the same time shows how the Christian doctrines are attacked and undermined. How deceptions and lies are utilized by the devil through humans and the organizations that they operate through. It names, names and exposes these "Churches of Satan" but most importantly it teaches you so that you can recognize deception from truth in your daily life. By: M.R. Hauge

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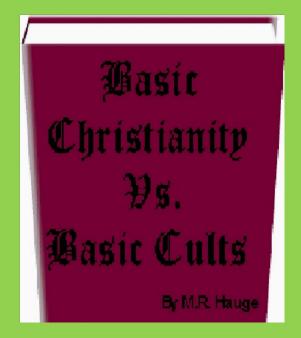
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### **FOREWORD**

For all of us starting out in this grand trip in life all we see is the world around us. We have no sense beyond our physical surroundings and we are educated in the ways of the world or at least in the ways of the society that we live in, programmed or propagandized into. We just don't have any concept of the great spiritual war that we are in the middle of. We have no idea that there is a powerful evil enemy who wishes to destroy us or that there is a God who wants to save us. We are asleep in our own world living out our own hopes and dreams, in a world that we can only see not knowing or understanding the real realities that we are a part of. Have you seen the movie "The Matrix"? This was a world where people lived out their lives never knowing the realities that they are really a part of. But there are a few people who wake up from their dream world and see the real situation that they are in. They escape and work at trying to wake up other people to the reality of their situation, the real reality that they are a part of while at the same time struggling against the evil that had them enslaved to their life of dreams. We

can say that the people of our own world are in their own matrix, asleep, not knowing the real dangers and the reality that is beyond their slumber.

Some people who are in our matrix start to sense that there is something wrong or out of place. They see the wonders of this world and even the wonders of their own body and they may receive information on spiritual realities and they start to wake up. But just like the movie "The Matrix" where there are evil sentinels guarding the portals, there is in our life spiritual enemies who are trying to keep us asleep. Since the world was forfeited to the devil by the sin of Adam and Eve, we are born in a fallen condition and as a result we easily become sinners ourselves, we then become the property of the devil. We as sinners are the children of the devil. Our spirit is alive to the devil and dead to God. There are those who are asleep who hear the Word of God but since our spirit is alive to the devil he can influence us with his thoughts and desires, in this way he steals the Word of God from your heart and you remain asleep, these are the people who received the Word of God by the wayside. There are those who do hear the Word of God and act upon it becoming "born of the spirit" and as a result their spirit becomes dead to the devil and alive to God. In this transaction from death unto life your spirit can now sense God and be motivated by God, you have woken up to the real

world and you start to understand spiritual realities while everyone else around you is asleep. You have become "born again," you are born of the spirit as your spirit is now the spirit of Christ in God's eyes as his righteousness and holiness by his sacrificial blood has been applied to your spirit. Your spirit is no longer the spirit of a devil, dead to God.

In the movie "The Matrix" those who wake up and are alive are persecuted and hunted by the enemy as he tries to destroy you or tries to put you back into bondage or at least tries to keep you from waking anyone else up to their condition and to spiritual realities and to life. When the devil in our reality knows he cannot stop you from waking up he has devised traps and deceptions and lies in this life to snare you, to put you into bondage and to keep you from the eternal life that God wants to give to you. He has devised governments and false religions to hold you in bondage and to keep you asleep - by force, imprisonment and even death (e.g. Islam). The devil has Christian cults to trap those who are trying to wake up, who sense that there is something more to life than just our physical world who are trying to reach out to God.

In our "matrix" we do have people who wake up from their slumber and grab unto the Word of God, the Christian bible, who break the chains of the devil and who come to the knowledge on who they are, spiritual realities and the war that is going on around them and their right to the power and authority of God in which they can use against the devil, causing him to flee and destroying his works. The people in our "matrix" are called "The Church". They are the children of God and they have come to the understanding that there are realities that are beyond our five senses and the physical world. They become aware of the battle that is being fought around them. They come to realize the world is full of sinners (God refers to as weeds); weeds who try to strangle young and weak Christians and those who are searching for God, and given a chance these weeds will kill the sons and daughters of God (e.g. Islam and Talmudic Judaism, i.e. Pharisees).

We have a very serious problem and are in a very desperate situation. First, we must wake up to the fact that there is more to life beyond our physical world. The evidence is overwhelming that there is more to life than the physical world that we live in. If you don't see it or understand it, it is because it has been hidden by this world and by the enemy of our souls. You have to learn to think and judge for yourself. This is important as is demonstrated by the world religions and cults who insist to do all the thinking for you. That you are not permitted to question the belief system that you are a part of or make any judgments at all. You must understand that although you are in bondage, you can still undermine

and circumvent the plans of the devil if you can think and research and make your own judgments. This is why the devil has devised his traps to keep you from using your own mind, to keep you ignorant by those "weeds" that have control or authority over you. The God of the Bible has stated that the Word of God is of no private interpretation. God gave you a mind to think, to question and to research and He has demanded that you judge all things. God gave you a mind above all the beast in the field and He expects you to use it because you are an eternal soul destined for greatness. The devil cannot have any of that and since he is referred to as the "god of this world" he can influence the men and women in this world to devise traps and cages for you. Just look at the dark bondage of Islam upon the people who are trapped in this cult. They cannot think for themselves, or make judgments that are outside of Islam and they are never to question Islam or do any other research outside of Islam (like read this book). To do so can mean mutilation, imprisonment or death, in Islam there is no free choice, leave Islam for something else means death, in fact all those who do not accept Islam are under the sentence of death and are to be killed at the first possible opportunity. Islam is a hardcore dictatorship in the name of a false god (their demonic moon god, named "Allah"). Their hope of heaven is to copulate with virgins for all eternity. What an awful shallow religion! So it is with some of the world governments and false religions and

cults in this world (communist dictatorships, also referred to as socialist societies. A Talmudic Pharisaic occultic cult system of dictatorship. The first communist government of Russia was 85% Talmudic Zionist Jews, all were cult adherents of Freemasonry. They are responsible of the murder of 66 million Russians, most of them being Christians).

Second, once we have awaken to the spiritual realities we must learn what God is and wants. We must become familiar with his Word, the Bible. The problem with the person who just woke up from his slumber is that there are many false Christian cults to ensnare him, proclaiming that they have the Word of God but is really a perversion also these same cults are designed to keep people who have not woken up still in their sleep and in their sins, giving them a religious experience but not the life of God.

So we must learn the word of God but also recognize the lies of the devil who has put in place deceptions and lies posing to be the Word of God. The purpose of this book is to wake the person up, teach the canon of the Bible that is recognized by the Church throughout its history but on the other hand show how the Bible, the Word of God is attacked, undermined and the deceptions and lies that the devil uses against us in this world.

So you may ask why is the devil so mad at us? Because of a couple of reasons, one, you are the creation of God and the devil is attacking God through us by destroying God's creation. The other reason that really drives the devil up the wall is that God has provided a way for us to become sons and daughters of God through adoption which puts us as Christians with authority and power above that of the devil. Even the angels of God do not have the authority to rebuke the devil. But as Christians we have this authority and it just drives him crazy. Remember the devil as Lucifer wanted to be God and worshiped as such and he was judged by God and brought down to hell. We who are humans who are "born again" into the family of God have authority over the devil, because we are now the lineage of Jesus who is God incarnate and this just drives him mad. So WAKE UP! Your very eternal life depends on you waking up and understanding the spiritual realities that we are in.

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# **Chapter 5**

#### **SALVATION**

Salvation is a term that is simple to understand in relationship to a choice of your path either leading to hell and eternal damnation or your path leading to heaven and eternal bliss (Matthew 7:13- 14). Salvation is also complex in that it takes in a great many terms in the arena of eternal life and it also has a great many legalities, the rights of God, the rights of Man, and the rights of Satan.

Before we get into the terms that comprise salvation, let's see just what are we are being saved from? The simple answer to that is - from the results of sin. Sin came into this world when Adam and Eve disobeyed the Commandments of God: "not to eat of that tree," they ate, as a result they sinned. God being perfectly righteous and holy cannot fellowship with sinners, this was one barrier that separated man from God. The Scripture said that: "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God," because God gave the ten Commandments and other regulations that we have broken, both externally as well as in our heart and conscience, in fact it is impossible for us to live up to God's righteousness and holiness by our own power or efforts. The Scriptures says that: "There is nothing good in man and his intentions are evil continually." As a result we have no fellowship with God and

God cannot fellowship with us. We are "dead" to God and our spirit can't touch His Spirit, we are indeed cut off from God. On the other hand we are alive to Satan spiritually, he is the Prince and power of the air, and we are his children because of sin. We are eternally damned, separated from God and doomed to hell's Lake of Fire with the devil and his angels (which are normally known as demons). Satan has the legal right to us and we have no legal rights, unless we are "bornagain," then God gains all legal rights to us, Satan then has no legal rights and we gain legal rights over the devil and his angels as well as the right to all of God's promises and blessings. We have some very formidable barriers between us and God.

A. God's holy character – God is so pure and so good that we cannot measure up to his standard of conduct. Because we have incurred a "debt of sin" man owes God perfect obedience to his holy laws as summarized in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. Man has failed to live up to this standard of perfection as a result Man has become an offense to the very character of God. But the good news is that God totally forgives us and has even imputed His own righteousness to our account because of our repentance based on our faith in Jesus the Christ, the sacrificial Lamb of God.

B. We are in slavery to Satan - because of the sin of Adam and Eve, the power and authority that was given them over this world and all that would be in it was forfeited legally to Satan. This is why Satan is called the "god of this world," (Jesus never disputed Satan on this title) because the world system is his. When we are born into this world we are automatically under the devil's domain because we are of the seed of Adam, a part of the human race. When we sinned we legally become a part of the devil's family. That is why it is said that the devil is our father and we are his children (John 8: 43-44). Because Satan has stolen this world and all that is in it, legally, God cannot take the power and authority from Satan once he'd gotten it from Adam. You see, God is so just in His nature that He can't even be unjust to Satan. A legal means of transference of property and power had taken place, and a legal means of reversing it would have to be found. The good news is that God did just that in Jesus Christ, now that power and authority and all the rights thereof has been restored to all those who have put their faith in Jesus Christ. As a result we become children of God by adoption and He is our Father.

C. We are spiritually dead - because of sin. What we mean by spiritual death is that our communication with God is completely cut off and He cannot communicate to us or fellowship with us because of the barrier of sin. Remember we are tri-part, spirit, soul and body. Our spirit senses spiritual realities as well as the desires, wisdom, and the power of God in our life, if it was alive to God. But our spirit is dead to God because of sin, it is alive to Satan because of sin for he is the father of sin and as a result has a legal right to us. With our spirit "alive" to Satan, there is a communication in one direction or another from mild influence to extreme control from Satan. In this we can have an understanding on how Satan works in our spirit and through us. Normally Satan leaves our spirit in a dormant state because we are already self-centered and he has us because of sin, besides it is better for Satan's program to leave us in ignorance of his realty. Even so, Satan may try to influence us in our spirit by giving forth evil thoughts, desires, and other incursions. We still have the ability to reject them; as a result Satan has at least a lesser control of us. When we try to open our spirit to the supernatural world by way of the occult or if we accept any influence that comes to us and just let happen for whatever happens, Satan will take advantage of this and give experiences and feelings in order to bring you into a deeper bondage. These experiences are E.S.P, fortune telling, astrology, contacting the dead, and the whole realm of occult practices the Scriptures forbid as well as apathetic trance like meditation which Satan will take advantage of, to give you deceptive experiences and a false sense of well-being, power, and exuberance. By reaching out to these occult practices

and trance like meditations you are sensitizing your spirit to the spiritual world, unfortunately it is in Satan's realm of influence and not in God's. So now Satan is not only trying to influence you in your spirit but you are interacting with him and his spiritual host. By this you open yourself up to spiritual bondage and deep deception as well as opening your spirit up for demonic spirits so that they have an entry to attach themselves to your spirit and as a result a control of you in one area or another. In some cases as the Bible shows, demons which are Satan's angels, have even taken total control of an unfortunate soul at various times and caused them much strife, torment and even death. The good news to this is that those who have had their spirit cleansed by the forgiveness of God and as a result His righteousness imputed to them, are born of God. You are no longer in Satan's family and can break free of his influence. For in God's eyes your spirit has become a spirit of righteousness and holiness, His righteousness and holiness. You are in God's family and now communication and fellowship is restored between you and God. You begin to know God by way of the Scriptures, blessings and experiences that you have and have witnessed in others. But the important thing is that the lines of communication has been broken in your spirit between the devil and you and has been replaced by God. God is spirit and we must worship Him in spirit and in truth. We can know God

in our spirit where He resides and where He personally tries to communicate to us in our everyday life.

Our redemption rest in God's satisfaction on the requirements for a ransom, Jesus Christ took our sins upon Himself in order that He might satisfy the demands of the law by assuming our guilt. Voluntarily exercising His will to do so, He achieved the ransom within Himself in order that He might deliver us from the bondage of sin. "Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God; he was put to death in the flesh, but quickened in the spirit." We will surely know if a fellowship is a cult if they deny this teaching.

Of course we cannot have redemption without the act of repentance. Repentance -that divinely wrought conviction of sin in the heart that the soul is guilty before God, and a resolute turning away from sin in which the sinner identifies himself with the gracious act of God in redeeming him. Terms like Grace, ransom, reconciliation and redemption are all connected to salvation. The cults in this world will deny a need for repentance. Their salvation rest upon membership to their fellowship, self-works, self-righteousness, and a surrendering of themselves and their fortunes to the leaders and to the membership and fellowship.

Blood - because of the sacredness of God's law and of His demand of holiness in his creature, man, this principle was held - that "the wages of sin is death" (Hebrews 9: 22), He has been pleased to accept the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in lieu of ours, but only on condition of our belief in Him. "Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many" and this could take place only once, and so the Old Testament offerings were provided, not to take away sin, but to point forward to the supreme sacrifice upon Calvary. John 1: 29; Matthew 26: 28; Mark 14: 24; John 6: 53- 54; Romans 3: 25; 5; 9 and many more. The teaching of the blood of Christ and the redemption it provides by the blotting out of our sins is abhorrent to the cults. You'll find no teaching on the blood of Christ in any cults, the teaching of the blood of Christ is repulsive to the devil, and it should not surprise you that it would also be repulsive to the cults.

The Holy Writ proclaims that the "Life is in the blood," Jesus' blood is righteous and holy because he is righteous and holy and his blood literally was shed on the cross for us; we should have been on the cross receiving the full judgment of God because in our life we are full of iniquity, the shedding of our blood would have been only the blood of the sinner, an abhorrent to God. But when we receive the salvation of God by our faith and repentance to Christ, it is likened in the eyes of God that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all

iniquity as well as to impute his righteousness and holiness to us, when we applied his blood to ourselves by faith. This is done by believing in the atoning death that he made for us some 2000 years ago. We must keep in mind that a legal transference of rights took place on the cross. A contractual agreement was made between God and mankind. Mankind individually must take a step of faith in order for God's Grace to kick in. The cults just do not understand the contract that God made with mankind that allows us who are the children of the devil to be adopted into God's family.

The cults will tell you that the blood of Christ will not save. The ransom is denied as they proclaim that membership in their organization is the way of salvation or that it was not the blood of Christ that is salvation but it is really water baptism (this is known as baptismal regeneration, which is a heresy). You'll hear the cults proclaim that because Jesus died he failed in his mission, thus they undermine the Word of God which proclaims the finished redemptive work of Christ. You also have to beware of teachings that substitute the original sacrifice of Christ on the cross with some sort of mockup, like, proclaiming that a communion service actually becomes the body and blood of Christ and they put their faith in this as their salvation, thus a communion cup and bread become idols of worship and the personal atonement of Christ is replaced. In the Old Testament in the book of

Numbers chapter 20:7-12, we recall how God gave Moses directions on how to get water from a rock. Moses was to speak to the rock but instead he hit the rock twice with his staff as a result God would not allow the people to enter the holy land. God gave his word to Moses and Moses instead of obeying Gods word; he used his own efforts (or works) and struck the rock instead. So God would not allow Moses or the people to enter the holy land because Moses did not in faith obey God's word. You must also beware of the false doctrine of the confessional that also undermines the blood of Christ. when a person confesses their sins to a priest in which the priest forgives your sins which will, in their eyes, result in the forgiveness by God and as result salvation. This is a damnable false doctrine for no man can forgives sins in the place of God, the Scriptures says that only God can forgive sins and Jesus will forgive and this will result in salvation. No one has the right to take upon themselves that which only belongs to God, for God will forgive based upon the shed blood of Christ. Overall the cult leader will proclaim themselves as the Christ and even God himself. No one can take place of the father or His Son. So confess your sins to God, the one who can forgive sins. Men cannot forgive sins on behalf of God no matter what title he may hold, for he is just another sinner.

Cults will use the same Christian terms in their dialogues with you and you'll walk away thinking that they are

Orthodox Christians and that their group is based on the real foundation of the Holy Writ. But when you search into the meanings of their terms you'll find that although they will use the same Christian terms as we have presented here, that their meanings to those terms are completely other than that of true Christianity and what the Bible shows to be the true meaning of those terms. You'll find that the cults who promote themselves as a Christian group will be nothing more than real masters at deception for they will "put on the appearance of godliness, but will deny the power thereof."

Beware of the deadly denial. One of Satan's most greatest and direct attacks on the doctrine of salvation is to outright deny it. To promote it as something not necessary, that all men are God's children, the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man etc., or that God is so loving that He would not damn anyone to hell's fire; (note, God never damns anyone, you damn yourself, the choice is yours). Unfortunately Satan has done a good job in this area, for not only do cults attack, deny and undermine the biblical doctrine of salvation but people in general are blind to this critical need of theirs and want nothing to do with the salvation God freely wants to give them. So you easily find people will deny the gift of eternal life and a relationship with God, 1 Corinthians 1: 18; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Eph. 4:18.

The cults will outright proclaim that they do not believe in a vicarious atonement or in the possibility of the remission of the smallest sin by any god. Christ bearing our sins and judgment is an anathema to many cults. Or they will proclaim that man is his own savior, his own priest, that there is no atoning value in the death of Jesus Christ. In fact the "blood" of Christ is an abhorrent to the cults. The cults will even twist the doctrine and declare that the death of Christ was not to appease the wrath of offended deity. Or you'll hear them say - "whoever sins must suffer." There are cults who deny sin, Satan, sickness, as realities and hence there is no atoning blood or redeeming grace or assurance of salvation. They downgrade the holy blood of Christ by referring to it as the "slaughterhouse religion" that belongs to the dark ages. The cults just do not accept the Bible as God's word, so it should not be surprising to hear them deny the salvation of the Bible as they try to convince you that there is no atoning value in his precious blood. The cults proclaim that there is no possible means of cleansing, justification or redemption, the salvation of the cults is by self-effort, self-righteousness, works, self-sacrifice and membership in their group. So this makes Christ's last cry on the cross, "It is finished," to be a lie!

The Holy Scriptures says that God will and is willing to forgive ALL sins, from the greatest sin to the very least to those who are willing to repent and receive the forgiveness

that God desires to give us through Jesus Christ who is the manifestation of His greatest love towards us. For Jesus took our sins and gave us his righteousness, He took the wrath and judgment of God upon Himself so that we may be set free and have the blessings of God upon us. God calls all men, not willing that any should perish.

Your salvation is not by self-works, effort, or by any merit on your part whatsoever. There is not many ways to heaven, there is only one way to heaven, and that is through Jesus Christ. But there are great many ways to hell, for as the Holy Writ proclaims: "Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by. For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it" Matthew 7: 13- 14. Jesus is the one and only way to God and heaven, your atonement is through Him for He paid the debt that sin incurred, He ransomed you. Only he could do this because he is God incarnate. He is called the Son of God because he took on the flesh of mankind, born from the flesh of a woman, but impregnated by the Holy Spirit of God.

Satan hides the truth of the gospel so that people will be damned in their sins and thus they will be banished from God forever (1 Corinthians 1:18; 2nd Corinthians 4:4; Eph. 4:18). No matter what philosophies the devil promotes through men, the Scriptures is the word of God, nothing more or

nothing less, because God is; Proverbs 30: - "Add thou not undo his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

Justification and sanctification are instantaneous acts from God, but even so where justification is complete on conception, sanctification needs to be manifested in our lives, it is a growth onto completion. Even so it must be pointed out that we are wholly sanctified in the eyes of God even if it isn't yet apparent in our personal lives. A person who tries to be self-holy and tries to sanctify themselves apart from the power of God will be very disappointed, for they will struggle in a vicious circle known as the "condemnation trip," and you can be sure that Satan will be there to rub it in. This person will be unhappy with his "Christian experience," and others will be repelled by struggle and defeat by this false "Christian" experience." Christians that have been caught in this trap have been known to give up Christianity, or even worse, get involved with a cult that seems to offer a freedom from this "condemnation trip," not really realizing that those who are in Christ are not under any condemnation. 2nd Corinthians 3: 18; 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:18; 1<sup>st</sup> Thess. 3:12; 4:1, 10; 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 7:1; and many more Scriptures.

The false doctrine of works is the doctrine Satan has used the most and has had the greatest success with. Satan has promoted the false doctrine of works upon mankind from the very beginning because man is extremely prideful and finds it very difficult (because of that pride) to accept a salvation that is freely given, that is by grace alone. Man finds it difficult to conceive in mind and heart the fact that the salvation God gives is not based on man's merit for man has no merit before God, "For all have sinned," but the salvation of man is based exclusively on the merit of one person, for that person never sinned, that person is Jesus Christ. Man will never be saved by his own works, merit and self-sacrifices. God helps those who are helpless, God never helps those who help themselves. Self-works and our own efforts to gain salvation is a lie from the pit of hell, for man cannot save himself. The cults will always promote the false doctrine of works, in one form or another.

The universal characteristic of the cults of our time is there insistence that one can never be sure of eternal life while in this world. He is in constant fear that he hasn't done enough, given enough, prayed enough, worshiped enough to be sure of salvation. The cult leader must keep his followers in suspense concerning salvation or he might start losing followers and support, so to keep them in his organization he must keep them in bondage. The cult member will give much of his time and money to the cult leader(s), in fact cult leaders demand the money and time, the very lives of their members, under the penalty of condemnation and disfavor

and the very wrath of the leader and the members (e.g. Islam). The member is put under great pressure of total commitment to the leader and the cause of the cult. The cult member is bonded under the threat that he will lose salvation and any reward that he may have in the future if he disobeys the cult organizations wishes (this is how the world cult religions keep their members trapped and in bondage to their organizations, e.g. Islam), see article 2. To this we must point out that personal righteousness is not the bases of salvation, a believer is saved on the bases of imputed righteousness. 1st Peter 3:18 - "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit." Scripture teaches that all other forms of supposed salvation based on human efforts are cursed by God. Gal. 3:10- 11- "For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is everyone that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them." "But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, the just shall live by faith." James 2:10 - "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all."

The cults will try to force you under the law by telling you that you must keep the Sabbath teachings. That we are still under the Law of Moses and therefore bound to keep the

"lest of its precepts." The cults will make you believe that you must promote their kind of salvation (not biblical salvation), then your salvation is guaranteed. The cults will throw on you all kinds of principles and steps to salvation, proclaiming that you must be saved by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel. In fact they will promote perverted ways of salvation like the Mormons did in their early days when the women committed polygamy because they became convinced that their salvation depended on it. The cults will tell you that you have the power within yourself to save yourself, then your character and moral values and spiritual insights will result in your salvation. Or if you're a very "religious" person you'll see God and be saved. The cults will really twist the way of salvation by proclaiming that salvation is the denial of sin, its existence and power and that all man will obtain the Christ perfection by living the righteous life. That everyone must atone for his own soul. Of course the cults will also promote that if you're a member of their organization you will be saved. All others are of the devil and lost.

Even in the Protestant circles Christians can easily become sidetracked. For if they are not careful, they can become stuck on and rely on some "pet" scriptural versus as their final foundation where they can lose the contextual format of the whole Bible. As a result you then love those versus above

all others and even if someone should show that you have fallen in error, you will become "stiff necked" because you have fallen into the trap of the cultic psychology and have become unteachable. We cannot afford to have a head made of bronze and a neck of steel, we need to be teachable. I cannot tell you how many times throughout my life that I have been wrong or blew it again that I had to admit to God. God can teach us and reveal things to us if we are not set in our own ways. We must be able to hear or read information and then test it by the Word of God, like the Bereans did in which God was well pleased with them. Acts 17:11 Paul and Silas at Berea 10 The brethren immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived, they went into the synagogue of the Jews. 11 Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so. 12 Therefore many of them believed, along with a number of prominent Greek women and men....

There are two examples I will give here. In one scenario you'll have a Christian sect who by all accounts are children of God for they are born in the spirit. What makes them a Christian fellowship is that they stand on the foundation of basic Christianity. That is, they believe in the one God, Jesus as his son and His Deity, His work on the cross, His virgin birth

etc... Where they are in error is that they require that you must take several steps in order to be saved or have salvation. Their error is that you must repent, plus be baptized in water, plus be baptized by the Holy Spirit. The second scenario is a cult that will also teach that you must repent, be baptized, and have the baptism of the Holy Spirit in order to be saved.

The second scenario is based on Mormonism. The salvation that the Mormons preach is not based on the Bible and the foundation thereof. In fact, they have their own so-called "bibles" their own scriptures that they claim to be inspired by God. Their bibles and scriptures are proven false and deceptive. In fact, their so-called bibles are totally corrupted in the light of historical Christianity and their doctrines are proven to be nothing more than some wild fairy tale. Their doctrine on repentance is nothing more than the doctrine of works. For it is not based on the finished work of Christ on the Cross but on self-righteousness. Their water baptism is a recognized heresy called baptismal regeneration. Their belief in the Holy Spirit is based on pantheism, that the Holy Spirit is only a force or power.

The Christian sect that we will zero in on here is a Pentecostal fellowship who is promoting the error of repentance, water baptism, and the baptism of the Holy Spirit together as a means of salvation. This Pentecostal sect as mentioned above are children of God because they do believe in the basic tenets of Christianity. But they are on the borderline of becoming a cult. I am using them as example so as to expose their error as well as to make sure that you will not be deceived on how and what salvation is according to the Christian Bible and the recognition of salvation based on historical Christianity and the Canon. The mistake they make is an old one, they take a few scriptural versus and put them together in such a way that their doctrine of salvation seems very logical as well as very, very scriptural. The deception is given in such a free-flowing way with Scriptures that it seems to back up their "pet doctrine" and it would deceive even those who are well grounded in the word of God, much less the average Christian and pagan.

Their main verse (although not the only one) is Acts 2:38, when Peter said: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Peter was not referring to all three steps in Acts 2:38 in order to have salvation. I hope that at this point you understand what repentance is in relationship to faith, Grace and redemption as noted in the paragraphs above. When Peter said repent and be baptized for the remission of sins, he was referring to repentance for the remission or forgiveness of sins. In the scriptures repentance refers to remission of sins, water

baptism does not. Also we have shown that after a person sins are forgiven, that person is saved, water baptism does not save. Water baptism as a means of salvation is referred to as "baptismal regeneration" which is a heresy. We are to be baptized as an ordinance given to us by the Lord, as a "testimony" of our salvation and faith. The order is repentance (onto salvation), water baptism (as a testimony) and then we will receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost (empowered to testify to sinners to bring them to Christ for salvation). Also the name of Jesus Christ is not to be used as some sort of "incantation," (even so he is God), i.e. your repentance is based on the work of Christ on the Cross which will save you from damnation even without the pronouncement of the name of Jesus.

The simplicity of the Bible is this; if you repented of your sins to God based on the finished work of Christ on the cross, God will forgive you of your sins, at this point you now have salvation. Taking additional steps beyond this point in order to be saved would take away the finished work of Christ on the Cross putting you in error. A five your old child would understand this.

If Peter meant water baptism as a means of salvation the thief on the cross with Jesus could not be saved when Jesus forgave him. But we are told in John 4:2 that Christ Himself baptized not. And yet to many a one He said, "Thy faith saved

thee." And if He had meant water baptism, why did He not teach this instead of giving that pronouncement? In John 1:12-13 - shows that everyone who receives Christ or who believes in his name is born of God, and have become the children of God and He their Father. Other scriptures show the context of this. There was no baptism of children. In the book of Acts those who are baptized were said to have believed. The order throughout that book is hearing the Word, showing faith by repentance, and then being baptized. The thief on the cross repented to Jesus confessing that he was a sinner who deserved to die. Jesus pronounced that the thief would have eternal life with Him. Why, because of his faith and repentance to Christ. If the thief had to be baptized for salvation, well then he wasn't saved and Jesus' words and promises of salvation to the thief were a lie, for Jesus died first than the thief died and the thief was never baptized, nor did the thief demonstrate the "speaking in tongues". Also note that there were also those reported in the New Testament who believed in Christ and even received the gift of the Holy Spirit before they were even baptized. If water baptism was a prerequisite for salvation the Holy Spirit would not have taken up abode in them because they would still be in their sins (God cannot dwell with sin). But they "believed" and were thus saved, clean of any inequity so that the Holy Spirit can now live in them, for there is no longer sin to keep Him away. Then they were baptized by water as a

TESTIMONY of their faith and salvation in Christ (Acts 10:43-48). For Jesus pronounced "Your faith has saved you" to many people who have turned to Him, who were not baptized by water nor had they received the Holy Spirit until a later time.

Now to the other error used in Acts 2:38 concerning "born of the spirit." That the latter end of Acts 2:38 "You shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" is stretched to mean "born of the spirit" by some. We must take note here that when we read the Bible there are Scriptures that can seem to be confusing whether they are talking about the Spirit of God or if they are referring to the condition of the human spirit. Sometimes the workings of God's Spirit and the human spirit are so intertwined that you do need to read and get the whole context of the Bible to discern the meaning of a Scriptural verse. So please, don't rely on one or a few isolated versus and note that the Bible is of no private interpretation, God gave you a brain to use and a demand for you to judge all things. So what is "born of the spirit"? It is simply a change of condition in your spirit. Before you took a step of faith in Christ your spirit was the spirit of iniquity, of sin, of evil and in the eyes of God your spirit was the spirit of the devil. When I say your spirit was the spirit of the devil, what I was referring to is "the condition of your spirit," before God, not that the devil actually, personally was in you. When you are "born of

the spirit" by faith in Jesus Christ a change of condition took place in your spirit. The blood of Christ has been applied to your spirit and when God sees the blood all he sees is the righteousness that was applied to your spirit by Jesus Christ. In other words, you are born again. When God sees your spirit, he only sees is a spirit that is righteousness and holy that was applied to you by the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross that was applied to you by an act of faith, by receiving his forgiveness of your sins, the righteous and holy blood of Christ now covers you. So you are now "born of the spirit". Or simply put your spirit has gone from being dead to God to being alive to God, your spirit has gone from death to life, the born again experience. It is after this that you will be able you to receive "the gift of the Holy Ghost" and other gifts and promises that God has for you. Or it can be said that you have the spirit of Christ in you, again, we are talking about the condition of your spirit in the eyes of God. You no longer have a spirit of a devil. You are now the child of God by adoption.

In John 7:38-39 - "He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that BELIEVE ON HIM SHOULD RECEIVE (already have salvation); FOR THE HOLY GHOST WAS NOT YET GIVEN; because Jesus was not yet glorified." (The context of the Scriptures point

out that those who believed on Jesus are saved. But remember that the term "believing" is synonymous with faith as we take the step of faith by repentance, in this step we have obeyed God with the result we will receive the grace of God and his salvation).

In Matthew chapter 16, Peter declared to Jesus that Jesus was the Christ (the savior of mankind, God incarnate) and Jesus told Peter He well build His church upon that rock. Jesus is the rock and is the only medium of our salvation which was accomplished on the cross by the shedding of his blood so that your sins can be forgiven, that we can be made clean and righteous. It is on this rock the Church is built. Not on any other thing beyond this or less than this. So this will exclude baptismal regeneration and the baptism of the Holy Spirit and other so called steps of salvation that turn out to be nothing more than dead works. The cults and Christian sects will always take scriptures out of context and build doctrines around isolated versus in the Bible using some form of logic that seems to fit their doctrines. So beware, use the kiss principal (Keep It Simple Stupid!); for God made his salvation simple, that a child would understand it. Not complicated like the cults and some Christian sects would make it.

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# Article 2

# ISLAM, LIKE SATAN - WANTS ONLY SLAVES....

Most Muslims do not realize that Islam allows no freedom. This alone should make them realize that it is Satan behind Islam, and not an eternal God. Satan wishes only to enslave Muslims to help him enslave the entire world. He does this by turning them away from the truth -- that salvation is yours already, if you only have faith in God's Son, Jesus. Islam is a religion based on intimidation and fear. The word "Islam" does not mean "peace." It means "submission." A Muslim is not allowed to leave Islam. Doing so is risking his or her life. At birth, a person is branded either Muslim or non-Muslim depending on one's descent.

Islamic law encourages Muslims to proselytize (convert others). Islam, however, clearly forbids others to proselytize a Muslims (this is called hypocrisy). This is because hearing the truth as revealed in the Christian Bible would weaken the Islamic false path to god (Allah, their moon god. Have you not noticed on the top of Islam's Mosques the symbol of the moon? They were superstitious pagans back in the day of Mohammad as they are still today.)

Now there are a lot of religions in the world and cults. A false religion is a body of believers in something that I do not agree upon but is basically not hostile towards others. That respects the life and property of others. That does not force its belief

system on others by threatening coercion and harm. A cult on the other hand puts its believers in bondage to the cult. You cannot question or research outside of a cult. You cannot question the beliefs of a cult. In the cult you cannot think or judge for yourself. Try to leave a cult for something else and you are threatened with damnation and even physical harm, your lively hood is taken away from you and even your family. A cult will demand that it is sanctioned by god so everybody outside the cult are damned and should be put down or destroyed. Many "religions" and Christian sects will have several red flags that will tip a person off that it may be cultish. All the hallmarks and tests that identify a "religion" as a cult is tied up in Islam, Islam has ALL the red flags that identify it as a cult, it is NOT a religion. It is an extremely dangerous cult that endangers the life and lives of everyone on this planet. It is a cult of death! It is a dictatorship in the name of a demon god.

The evil system from Islam (which is estimated to have murdered since its inception 270 million people) who is using a cult religion to "brain wash" or deceive and force many people and keep them in its system of subjugation. Their goal is to conquer and subjugate the whole world to Islam and they will use the same satanic doctrine of the Judaic communist "the end justifies the means." This means they will lie and deceive (Taqiyya —lying or dissimulation) for this is a great part of their doctrine. It means that they will not

integrate into western society in which they move to and which gives them shelter and a living (just like Pharisaic Judaism or Masons). It means that they will promote by threat and intimidation the beliefs of Islam. It means Muslims will have large families in order to become more prominent in the western society where they are living while they try to import more Muslim members and at the same time trying to convert as many local people to Islam as they possibly can. Until they by their sheer numbers start to take over the government, first locally then nationally until they can subdue and subjugate the country into Islam and where you will become under the bondage of their Sharia law (after all they don't yet have the military power to do this so they are doing it this way). Many European countries are being transformed into Islamic societies and Islam will become the dominate power in as little as 20 or 30 years from now. This is going to cause strife and civil war in many European countries as the former citizens' fight and die to get Islam and Moslems removed from their countries (just like they had to do back during the middle centuries A.D. Now again, because of the fools that they have for leaders, the citizen must act against this evil in order to survive in order to keep their culture). The European leadership including the American and Canadian leadership are fools for allowing Moslems into our countries whereas they will not assimilate into the local society, but become a government within a government, just like Judaism

has done. See youtube video <u>HERE</u> Download the book <u>The</u> <u>Great Satan</u> and read it.

Many Muslims in western countries are not bad people for most are only Muslim in name only; they do not practice the cult religion of Islam for they themselves do not understand the teachings and history of Islam. They are like many people who call themselves Christians but do not go to church or put into practice the belief that they profess to belong to, so it is with a large percentage of Muslims in the western countries. But there are a few Muslims who do believe in and practice the cult beliefs of Islam and they are trying to get the other Muslims to also practice Islam as it was written especially the Medinan version of Islam. You must understand that Islam has over a billion Muslims and there is 10% and more of these Muslims who believe and practice their cult religion as it is written. They are the ones who are referred to as the "radical Muslim" who kill and maim and who are fighting and killing to gain world domination in the name of Allah and Islam. This means that there are 200 plus million "radicals" out to overturn the governments of the world and to subjugate everyone into Islam by the threat of death. This is a very formidable force which is larger than the armed forces of America and Russia combined. Can they pull off their quest of world domination? They can and will, if we don't stop them now. As for the other Muslims in name only, you don't hear them protesting or speaking out against their more "radical"

brothers in the faith at all. If your country is taken over by Islam, these Muslims in name only are not going to help you. They will be there when the "radicals" are about to off your head cheering them on. When the "radical" Muslims take over the "moderate" Muslims will morph into "radical" Muslims themselves (for there will be no western laws to stop them, only their Sharia law that promotes subjugation and death) and they will start practicing the cult of Islam as it is written for them to do. There may be moderate Moslems, but there is no such thing as a moderate Islam. Islam is a vicious cult that threatens us all. Your choice is — become a Muslim or die. So do you want that choice or do you choose to stop this force of evil now while you still can?

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## Chapter 6

## JUDGMENT AND HELL

Judgment and eternal hell is a highly repulsive subject to many people (to those who find themselves under biblical judgment), especially when it is portrayed as fact. Yet we cannot ignore it and expect the judgment of the sinner to just disappear, for it is truly indeed a reality and it is a vital necessity for the government and organization in the kingdom of God. The Bible is very plain about judgment and hell; in fact Jesus talked more about hell then about heaven. The whole Bible warns us that sin will result in death; death being eternal separation from God and being eternally confined in a prison called Hell or the Lake of Fire.

The Old Testament has 31 references on the subject of hell. The New Testament has 23 references on the subject of judgment and hell. The Old Testament has the term "sheol" to mean hell. This term refers to where the spirits and souls of men lost or saved went before Christ was glorified. Remember, hell in the Old Testament was divided into two compartments. One compartment is for the eternally lost waiting for the judgment of their sins and the other compartment is for those who are saved by faith, but couldn't enter heaven as of yet because Christ still had yet to come to die for their sins in order to justify their faith. For until that time came when Christ was to be glorified, the Old

Testament saints had to wait in this compartment of paradise (the other compartment of the damned is a place of torment). For they were still bounded under the law and had to be freed from the law and ransomed from Satan who still had a legal claim to the saints because they were still under the law of sin and death. But when Christ came, he legally made void the law of sin and death for those who put their faith in him, past or present, because of his substitutionary death for us. As a result of Christ's sacrifice for us Satan lost all legal rights to the saints and Christ Jesus truly led captivity, captive as he personally took the Old Testament saints out of their compartment of "sheol" to live with him in heaven. All those who now die with faith in him go directly to heaven to live with him. The compartment that was a temporary paradise and holding area is now forever closed down (Luke 16: 19 –31; Eph. 4:8-10). In the New Testament there are three words in the Greek which are translated by the one word hell; Tartarus, Hades and Gehenna. The verse: "For God spared not the Angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment" (2 Peter 2:4) hell in this verse is the Greek verb Tartarus and it refers to a pit of darkness which serves as a prison house for certain angels who rebelled against God

The terms, Hades and Sheol are identical in meaning. In Psalm 16:10 the Bible says: "For thou wilt not leave my soul in

hell (Hebrew, sheol); neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." This same verse is quoted in the New Testament in acts 2:27: "Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell (hades), neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." In Acts 2:31 we are told that this refers to the resurrection of Christ. According to Matthew 12:40, Jesus' soul and spirit went into hades (sheol) for three days and three nights. His body of course was still in the tomb. Gehenna is the third New Testament term of hell. Gehenna and the Lake of Fire and the Second Death are synonymous. Where Tartarus is only mentioned one time, Hades 10 times, Gehenna is mentioned 12 times. The word Gehenna comes from the Hebrew word "Gehinnom" which means "Valley of Hinnom." The Valley of Hinnom (2 Kings 23:10) is south of Jerusalem. Some of the people of Israel offered their children as human sacrifices to the god Molech in this Valley (Jeremiah 32:35). The sacrifices were bound and placed on the huge hands of the idol; whose arms formed a slide down into its interior which was a roaring furnace. All kinds of perversions were also part of the rituals to this god. When the king Josiah destroyed this place of idolatry, the Valley of Hinnom was turned into a city garbage and rubbish heap for burning the rubbish, as well as the bodies of dead animals and unburied criminals. To consume all of this, a fire burned continuously. Some of the garbage and decaying matter would lodge on the rocks of the wall and breed worms. Jesus used this known

place with its burning fire and gnawing worms to teach truths about the unknown place - the final Lake of Fire. Hell is God's rubbish heap outside the New Jerusalem - where all that is unfit for the heavenly community will be discarded. Six of the twelve references to Gehenna mentions "fire" as one of its characteristics.

All sinners will be someday judged at the judgment of the Great White Throne (Revelations 20:11-15), that final judgment when all the wicked dead who have been resurrected and judged will be "cast into the Lake of Fire." All unsaved individuals will receive absolute justice at the Great White Throne, for all will be judged according to their works (revelations 20:13). There will be degrees of damnation sentenced on the lost (Matthew 11:21- 24; Luke 20:47). The difference in degree will not be in the length of punishment, but in the severity of punishment. Throughout all eternity every one of the damned will receive exactly what he deserves.

God is "Not willing that any should perish, but that all come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). This everlasting fire was never meant for mankind. It was: "Prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matthew 25:41). If a person goes there it will be because he chooses to do so by refusing God's gracious offer of eternal life. Nobody will ever be able to blame God for sending them to hell. Jesus makes this plain in John 50:40: "And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life." He

promises: "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37).

Satan does not want humanity to have the realization of hell. He knows that if every person really knew the horrors, the torment, the eternal separation from God and His heavily kingdom as well as from loved ones, mankind would make it a point in getting saved. Perhaps you may be thinking that those in heaven will also be going through some form of torment and agony with the memory of a loved one in hell's fire, a son, daughter, husband, wife, father and mother. The Word of God says that God will wipe away the tears of his children and it is also indicated that this will also result in a memory loss of those personal loved ones who are in hell, for the Holy Writ also says that "the lost will be remembered no more." So Satan will promote the denial of judgment and hell. He will undermine, twist and laugh hell out of existence. Those who are aware of the warnings of the Bible but who have not taken the step of salvation, Satan will try to promote it as something not important, that it can wait or he will try to convince you that hell is really a limited reality, nothing to worry about or that hell may not be all that bad after all, just a bunch of friends getting together for an eternal beer party.

The Bible warns us that Satan can appear as an angel of light and his ministers, ministers of righteousness (2nd Cor. 11:14 – 15). It is not therefore surprising that counterfeit

Christianity also denies, twist and undermines the biblical doctrine of judgment and hell.

The cults will deny the existence of hell which is nothing less than a deadly denial. You'll hear them say that "Hell is a total myth an invention just to make people very unhappy and is a vicious lie." Or "False religion teaches hell is a place where the wicked suffer — this unreasonable doctrine contradicts the Bible." Or "The idea of a hot hell is an afterthought, the distortion of an astronomical allegory." The cults will proclaim that they "do not admit to any punishment outside of this earth, it is because the only state the spiritual Self knows of, hereafter, is one of unalloyed bliss — we believe in no hell or paradise as localities." Or they will proclaim "Hell does not exist it never will. All spirit people of wisdom, knowledge and love know that there is no hell and no devil. No resurrection, no judgment. When you believe in spiritual manifestations, you feel far happier than you do now. You will not fear the threats of damnation and hell such doctrine is wrong." But it is they who are wrong!

The Old Testament teaches about judgment and hell in the books of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and Nahum. We would not have to look hard to find that the Old Testament teaches a very real judgment and eternal hell. In the New Testament you can read the statements that Jesus himself taught about judgment and hell - in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The Apostle Paul taught about judgment and

eternal hell in the books of the Acts, Romans, Philippines, Colossians, 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians, 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy and Hebrews. The Apostle Peter taught judgment and hell in the book of James. Jude taught it in the book of Jude. Apostle John taught judgment and hell in the book of 1<sup>st</sup> John and Revelation.

The Bible makes it plain that the ungodly in this world will go to a place of ungodliness in the next world. This eternal prison will have every vile creature, liar, cruel, perverse and foul person of this world, who ever lived and died in sin. Also Satan and all the angels (or demons) that rebelled against God will be there, and they indeed will be depraved creatures. This is the community which a sinner will live in for all eternity. You must also understand, you will be with a spiritual body that can live in any hostile environment, living in a lake of fire. Unlike the earth which is God's creation, in this lake there will be nothing of God's there. You will have no building materials, there will be nothing to lay your head upon, and Satan cannot create anything.

Many people go through life knowing the stern warnings of the Bible to beware of judgment and hell, yet they just go their merry way through life without heeding the warnings. They will treat the warnings as a folklore and brush the warnings aside. They would as a result giggle and laugh at those who take the warnings of judgment seriously thinking that these people are just being ridiculous or are just on a

"religious trip." Yet they have not bothered to search for the evidence or taken the time to find out if there is really an objective ground to judgment and hell.

You would think that with such dire foreboding, with such calamity hanging over their heads that they may take eternity seriously, life on this earth being a moment of time compared to eternity. It should be a person's first and greatest interest to know just what will really happen to him after physical death and what condition and circumstance will he find himself in, in relationship to eternity. Many people just shrug off with a notion in the back of their mind that everything will be okay, that eternity will turn out to be in their best interest, that judgment and hell can't be as serious as the Bible claims it to be. They will be open to any thoughts or notions that would indicate that there will be a second chance or that hell will be limited or hell does not exist.

The cults will take advantage of these false notions and downgrade judgment and hell on the bases that God would not be that cruel. That it would be unjust. As a result they have passed judgment on God and his Holy Word to be in error or a lie. These pitiful creatures who dare tell their Creator that he is wrong.

Because of the false doctrine the cults promote on judgment and hell appeals to the sentimentality of people the cults will gain many adherents by proclaiming the truth of the Bible to be a lie. In the end God will have the final word and

those who would hide or teach others to disregard the warnings of judgment will suffer greater damnation.

The cults will teach that God ordained baptism for the dead as the means for people who died in their sins to have a "second chance." They proclaim that in order for person to get a "second chance," a relative or someone who is still alive must be baptized for them. This heresy is known as Baptismal Regeneration. The Bible said that "It is appointed for men once to die, but after this the judgment." The judgment of God's Word, the Bible, has condemned this teaching of the cults. The cults will teach that "Those who are very sinful in their earthly life have to undergo different kinds of punishment on different planets. This punishment, however, is not eternal."

If a person tells you that if you die in your sins and that you'll still have a second chance, a hope for salvation to live with God in His Kingdom, he is not telling you what the Bible teaches. The Bible says: "When a wicked man dieth, his expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust men perisheth" (Prov. 1:7), and "The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish" (Prov. 10: 28). If you find yourself in hell, you'll have no hope of getting out; you'll be there — forever. You will be without hope if you have never trusted Jesus Christ as your Savior.

There is no second chance or limited hell. The Scriptures proclaim: "Woe unto the wicked! It shall be ill with him: for

the reward of his hand shall be given him" (Isaiah 3: 11). Concerning Judas, Jesus said: "Woe unto that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born" (Matthew 26: 24).

Hell is a prison house of despair. There will be no flowers, home, music and song, no friendships, no love or peace, not even light. In fact you will not even be able to even find a rock to lay your head on because you will be basically in a desert of liquefied fire. You will not experience mercy; there will be no pity, pardon or grace. There will be nothing, just a place where you're confined to, no water to drink or place of rest. The things you will have there will be the feel of fire, memory, remorse, suffering and pain. You will weep and wail, but it will be in vain. The company you will have there is the



blasphemer, swearer, and those who hate God. There will be murderers, drunkards and liars with you. You will know the filthy, the vile, the cruel, so

you will experience the woes and torments of hell and sin forever.

There is no limited hell, hell is everlasting punishment: "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous unto life eternal" (Matthew 25: 46). The word "aionios," means "eternal" or "everlasting," without beginning, without end, never to cease, everlasting. The word "aionios" which describes God, as eternal, also describes the duration of fire, damnation, punishment, destruction, and judgment. This same word also describes the life of the righteous person, that it is eternal, everlasting; these words are translated from the Greek word "aionios" (Matthew 25: 46)

Hell is an eternal prison, a penitentiary where there is no hope of escape or parole or even to be executed (taken out of existence). God does not consign a soul to hell to make a soul penitent for sin and to rehabilitate him for a heavenly society someday. Hell is a well ordered prison house, a place of eternal keeping.

If you should find yourself in hell, you will have a great longing, a craving desire for mercy, to repent, but you will find all in vain. All hope will be lost; there will be no friends, no help, only terror, the yearning, the cries, the taunts of the demons. You will yearn for a second chance, a limited hell only to have your mind and soul tormented with the biblical truth that there is no second chance, only an eternal hell.

The concept of reincarnation is taught that we as entities, or souls, are reborn and live many lifetimes as different individuals in different bodies, has traditionally been associated with the religions of the East. This concept is becoming less and less alien to the Western Christian mind. For within the last century this belief has enjoyed increasing acceptance in America, even among those identifying themselves as Christians.

This false concept allows people not to fear judgment and eternal hell. As a result people do not have to fear the consequence of sin. There would be no need to take God seriously, to have faith in Christ. It makes the atonement of Jesus Christ on our behalf nothing more but a senseless slaughter.

The cult of Edgar Cayce teaches that reincarnation is compatible with the Christian belief system. As a boy and especially when he became a young man he became involved with seeing visions and talking to people in them. He got involved in the occult practice of trance state meditation and prophecy. Now seeing visions and prophecy are normal biblical functions, if God allows it, but going into a hypnotic trance like state to give prophecy or to get and give information is not biblical, it is an occult practice. Cayce is a false prophet, he is a medium or a spiritualist in whom the Scriptures condemns (Lev. 20: 27). The Scriptures declare that the spirit of the prophet is subject to him; in short it means

that any gift God gives a person that gift is under full conscious control of that person who has that gift. In the case of Cayce, he went into a trance type state whereas he would subconsciously give information upon which he had no control. Upon coming out of the trance he would remember nothing himself. In this condition spirits (demons) can speak forth information through him in a very deceptive manner that sounds righteous and good and even has done some good (in this state he has given medical advice that when followed by the person that person did get well). The proven good that has come out of Cayce's state of trance is nothing more than a diversionary tactic of Satan in order to deceive people in thinking that what Cayce said and taught about reincarnation would also be true, after all he for some 43 years with his sixth grade education, was to astound and confuse the medical experts of the day with his near-perfect diagnosis stated in proper medical terminology.

Cayce thought of himself as a devout Christian and he was a popular Sunday school teacher for years. He spent some 20 years doing the "good works" of his trance state medical diagnosis before he first began to give readings about theology and philosophy. Cayce came to have increasing faith in the readings, particularly after they were instrumental in healing his son and in saving the life of his wife. He became completely convinced that since he was doing good for others his "gift" or power must be from God. At a crucial point Cayce

decided to follow his feelings above all other sources of authority - including the authority of the Holy Writ. From this time on Cayce became satanically deceived and deceived others. Although he knew that reincarnation was not taught in the Bible, he accepted his readings that indicated that the Bible is not to be accepted as authoritative because it doesn't contain in full the ideas of Jesus, according to Cayce's "readings." So this error or deception is either contrived by Cayce or it was instigated by the devil.

It is not hard to understand that once Cayce became completely deceived, judgment and hell was also thrown out by his "readings." He taught that there is a cycle wherein a soul tends downward toward greater karmic debt and then begins to grow upward toward eventual perfection. At this point the soul becomes completely reunited with God, becoming one with God in purpose. Cayce taught that each soul must reap exactly what it sows. If a soul in one's lifetime rebels against God, or sins, it builds up a karmic debt which it then must work out through good works in future lives (note: using self-works or self-righteousness to gain salvation is an abomination to God and you will remain condemned in your sins). Entities with great debts may be given special treatment. Cayce is said to have implied that for such souls the planet Saturn "may operate as a kind of oven; slow baking the accumulated dross out of those souls who have fallen so far behind the others that immediate return to earth would cause hardship for all concerned —" (Langley, Edgar Cayce on Reincarnation, p. 128). So now the cult of Cayce "The Sleeping Prophet," destroys the existence of judgment and hell and all fears that being eternally damned brings.

You will find that many cults will accept reincarnation and promote it. They will say that they can prove this by carrying an individual back along a "time track" to his earlier lifetimes to seek out the cause of his current problems (note: the cult of Scientology).

The Scriptures are plain when it comes to the false doctrine of reincarnation for they state "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27). See also 2 Pet. 2:9; 3:7. This leaves no room in the Word of God for even a notion of reincarnation.

God has made it clear in His Word many times that a time of judgment is coming: "Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth: and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment" (Ecclesiastes 11:9). "Because he hath appointed a day, in which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead" (Acts 17:3).

When the sentence is passed upon the unsaved at the Great Throne Judgment, all of them will be cast into the Lake

of Fire (Revelation 20:11-15). For the unsaved, there will be no hope of returning to life on earth as reincarnation teaches, for the Scriptures tell us that the unsaved will be totally separated from all the things they were fond of in this present world. At the same instant will commence another loss -that of the persons whom they loved. They are torn away from their nearest and dearest relatives; their wives, husbands, parents and children. All the pleasures they ever enjoyed in these, is lost, gone, banished away, for there is no friendship in hell. There will be no love in Hell, all will hate and despise each another - forever.

The greatest loss will be their place of fellowship in the paradise of God. It seems that the Apostle had this in view when he spoke of those "Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord." Banishment from the presence of the Lord is the very essence of destruction to a spirit that was made for God. And if that banishment lasts forever, it is "everlasting destruction." They will never enter heaven were God's glory is manifested. They will never enter the city of God were they would have had their own mansion. They will never experience a refurbished earth that God said will be everlasting. They will be in a place that will never have any value or beauty and none of God's creation in plant or animal life. The environment that they will find themselves will be nothing more than a dark fiery desert that will have a consistency of a lake.

The Scriptures proclaim: "The winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God" (Rev. 19:15). The word "wrath" in itself is exceedingly terrible which implies that the wrath of God is infinitely dreadful. For it is said: "The fierceness and wrath of God," "The fury of God!" "The fierceness of Jehovah!" Oh, how dreadful to suffer this fierceness and wrath of Almighty God one moment; but you must suffer it for all eternity, there will be no end to this exquisite, horrible misery. But thanks to God, because Jesus Christ suffered the wrath of God against sin at Calvary, when we trust Him as our personal Lord and Savior, we have God's gracious promise: "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him" (Rom. 5:9).

Many cults and even people in general will point out to you the sufferings of hunger, injustice, man's inhumanity to man, disease and illnesses, and the misfortunes of the world in general and they will claim it is here that we experience hell. Now it is true that these misfortunes are hellish but they are only a forecast of what is to come to those not "born again." You see, all these misfortunes in this world are caused by sin. Since the fall of man in the Garden of Eden the blessings of God that would have protected man from these misfortunes that man experiences today has been forfeited. We as personal sinners bring much of these misfortunes upon ourselves as well as upon others. Satan and his demons have the right to cause destruction and all the various misfortunes

that man has experienced because the fall forfeited the title deed of this world to Satan (this is why Jesus called Satan the "god of this world") and we as personal sinners are his children and Satan is our father. Satan is not like the "father figure" we think of, Satan loves to hurt, destroy, torment and to bring into bondage those he can influence and gain control of. In the book of Job, God gives us a view of the activities of Satan as God gives Satan permission to do his heart's desire (except the killing of Job). We see that Satan can cause sickness and diseases, he has the right of power for the purpose of destruction and has great influence over men to do his heart's desire to destroy. The only thing that is keeping Satan held back from really turning this world into a full scale hell house is the Word of God, God's restraining hand and people who become the children of God hinder the destructive works of Satan, acting like a damn against the flood of satanic destruction. As we have said, "The hell that is in this world is only a foretaste," when a person dies in their sins and is judged and condemned to eternal hell, there will be nothing to hold back Satan's grip on them, they will feel and experience the full depravity of sin and this will be forever and ever, with no end in sight.

The Bible proclaims that the damned will be thrown into a lake of fire. This is a literal lake of fire that the damned will be in for all eternity. There is no such place like this on earth, so this will be in a different place. Five times in the Bible the lake

of fire is mentioned in the book of Revelation. Fire is used many times in the New Testament in reference to Hell. Professor C.T. Schwareze, of New York University, member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, on a radio broadcast conducted by Erling C. Olson over station WMCA, New York City, stated that, according to Matthew 25:41: "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels," the fire is already in existence. He said that the Greek word translated "prepared," in this verse is hetoimazo, which means "already prepared," or "now ready," and he also said that the fire is not a fire of combustible materials. Professor Schwarze writes: "The word lake must connote a body of matter having liquid form. Therefore, if the Scripture is true, this eternal fire must be in liquid form. - - - The very simple proof of the portions of Scripture we have been discussing lies in the existence of the singular phenomena of the skies known as midget or white dwarf stars! A midget star is one which, because of some things which have happened to it (not quite clear at this time), should be roughly 5,000 times or more as big as it really is! Applying this idea for illustration to such a planet as the earth, you must conceive the earth as having shrunk to such an extent that its diameter would be about 400 miles instead of being 8,000 miles in diameter as it really is. This enormous density has a great deal to do with our subject. Most people know the sun our nearest star is rather hot,

there is general agreement that the temperature at or near the center of the stars is between 25 million to 30 million degrees Fahrenheit. At such temperatures, much can happen, like the bursting of atoms, which helps to explain the phenomenon of the white dwarf, a temperature of 30 million degrees Fahrenheit could explode atoms. It would cause the atoms to lose their electrons even though the attraction between nucleus and electrons is in octillion, times the attraction of gravity. The separated parts could then be better packed in, particularly under such great pressure - with the constant activity of x-rays, atom walls could not be reformed; therefore enormous densities, such as are found in the midgets, can be attained. Now, please note, at such high temperatures all matter would be in the form of a gas but in a white dwarf the pressure is so great that gasses become compressed to the consistency of a liquid although they may still respond to the characteristics of gas."

Before such a star could cool off, it would have to expand to normal proportions. That is, it would have to get to be more than 5,000 times its present size. Here's the difficulty, such expansion would cause enormous heat, which, in turn, would absolutely keep the star compressed, so that, insofar as astronomers and physicists know, the midget stars can never cool off. The white dwarf, to all intents, can never burn out. Also because of the great gravitational force and great pressure and mass density that will form this "lake of fire" it

would not give off light, but would be an intense heat and "black fire." You will be in a lake of fire that gives off no light, you will suffer in darkness. The bible has said that the wicked will suffer in darkness. This is going to be one awful place to be trapped in for all eternity and I for one will not want to be there. So when God offered to forgive me of my sins based on the work and sacrifice of Jesus our Christ, you bet I'm going to accept God's offer of forgiveness, for I will not be a fool for no man or cult.

In summary, the Bible, God's Word, is scientifically accurate! We find an eternal fire which cannot burn out. Because of a liquid consistency it is, secondly, a lake of fire. In the third place, it cannot be quenched; for any quenching material, such as water, would immediately have its atoms stripped of electrons and are packed in with the rest. In the fourth place, since astronomers have been, and still are, studying this strange Phenomenon, it is only too evident that the lake of fire has been prepared and is now ready. Although we cannot say that God will actually use these lakes of fire in fulfilling His Word, the answer to the skeptic is that in the heavens there are now lakes of fire - - - " ("The Bible and Science on the Everlasting Fire," Bibliotheca Sacra, 95:105-112, January, 1938). Also understand that in this type of environment there are no building materials, you won't even be able to build something to rest your head. You will be in a liquid dark fiery environment that will have none of God's creation. You will be here with

condemned humans and angels with no possible way to create or to produce anything, as all of the environment will be liquid fire. Somehow you will have to live in this environment with extremely depraved souls and angels for all eternity. Everyone there will hate and despise each other, there will not be one once of love there.

In the book of Jude verse 7 we read: "Even at Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the judgment of eternal fire." Since it was real fire and brimstone which destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah and that was just a sample



of Hell - we can expect real fire in the eternal land of the lost.

It is possible for God to somehow adjust the molecular make-up of the resurrected human body (which will be spiritual and indestructible) so that fire cannot destroy it. This is why the Scriptures warns us to fear Him who can destroy both the soul and body in an eternal hell, where fire can punish the body as well as the soul of man without consuming them. An example of God's preserving power in fire is given in the book of Daniel 3:27; as expressed by the three Hebrew children who were in the fiery furnace unharmed by the roaring flames. When Jesus gave a parable that included fire, he always told the meanings to his figures to his disciples, fire was not a figurative word - - - Jesus gave it as a fact. Also it has been noted that there were degrees of punishment. This punishment that will be handed out by God to the sinner will be in the degree of how severe the fire will affect him for all eternity? In Exodus 3:2 God was able to burn a bush without it being consumed.

At that great Judgment day, God will resurrect the physical bodies of the sinners. If the resurrection is literal, then Hell is literal. Hell will be a physical hell, for the sinner will have a physical, although with a spiritual body, an indestructible body (not a body that we have now of flesh and blood). Also remember that you cannot put a physical object in a figurative space (as many cults try to do). Hell is separation from God and His Kingdom forever in a prison of fire and with nothing but with the depraved. Beware of those

who preach and teach that we are already experiencing the full judgment and hell of God in this world. Also as a result they will proclaim the heresy that there will be no place called Hell in eternity.

Another false doctrine that is promoted by the cults is "soul-sleep." It is taught by many cults that when a person physically dies, they "fall asleep" and remain unconscious until the resurrection when the Lord awakens them (that is, those who are saved). The cults will mingle this heresy with phrases like, "asleep in Christ" etc.. Other cults like Christadelphianism will perpetrate the concept that the soul is merely a combination of body and spirit, and that when these are parted at death nothing survives to sleep. What this heresy means is, when you die you will no longer exist until the resurrection (this is nothing more than re-creation).

What this means when it comes to the doctrine of Judgment and Hell - - - the cults will either say that those not accepted by God will never exist again or never gain consciousness. Either view says that the sinner will never suffer the consequences of his own sins, that there will be no real fear of eternal punishment. They will proclaim that gravedom is a place where there is no consciousness and thus no remembrance. The finally impenitent, including Satan, the author of sin, will by the fires of the last day, be reduced to a state of non-existence.

It is very obvious from Luke 16:19-31 that there is no such thing as "soul-sleep" or "being taken out of existence" taught in the Bible. The rich man had all his faculties and was extremely conscious of the reality of the torment. This passage makes it clear also that there is absolutely no "second chance" after death to be saved. It refutes the false teaching of the annihilation of the soul, purgatory, soul-sleep and a second chance. The great judgment scene in Matthew 25:46 closes with the statement, "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." Everlasting and eternal is translated from the same Greek word.

Logically if this soul-extinction theory were true, what these men call resurrection would be the re-creation of an extinct personality, a thing unknown in Scripture, and where would be the link of responsibility between and old and the new? God could not hold a person responsible for sin if they were re-recreated from nothing again, for they would from that point of re-creation not be responsible for the sins of the old creation. As a result they could not be righteously judged and condemned to hell because the sinner already died and was now a brand new creation and not a sinner. We must remember that a thing can exist without living. Therefore, "ceasing to live" is not equivalent of "ceasing to exist." A man may die as far as this world is concerned, " his thoughts (or purposes) in that very hour perish" (Psa.146:4) no longer

does he know anything," that is, he is completely out of touch with the world - but it is not therefore true that he is out of touch with spiritual realities, or that he forgets the past. Death is not a cessation of existence, but a separation of existence to another. At which time he is said to be dead to his previous environment and alive to the new environment. This line of thought is also demonstrated for those who are accepted into the kingdom of God as being alive or having eternal life, while those who are separated from God and His kingdom because of sin are said to be dead, or who will never have eternal life, although the sinner still exists and is fully aware of his environment and situation.

As was mentioned, there are many cults who teach that the wicked will be annihilated. The word "annihilate" means to reduce to nothing, to wipe out of existence. The teaching that the wicked will be annihilated, also called "conditional immortality," has not found acceptance in the Church, but is held largely by the cults. False teachers will quote Scripture which appears to agree with their hypothesis that the wicked will be annihilated, using words like "destroy, destruction and perish," etc...

This hypothesis proves to be false in the light of Scripture, for the Scriptures show that it is impossible to make these words to mean "annihilation." For instance, in Psalm 78:45 we read: "He sent frogs among them (the Egyptians) which destroyed them." If the word destroyed meant annihilation,

the frogs would have put the Egyptians out of existence. Of course, this is silly and not true. In speaking of Christ, the writer of Hebrews said "That through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil" (Heb. 2:14). The devil is very much alive and existing today and he will always be in existence forever, according to Revelation 20:10. When God Says that the wicked "shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power" (2<sup>nd</sup> Thess. 1:9), he means that the unsaved will be banished from the presence of the Lord and from Heaven forever. The Greek word that is translated "destroy" or "perish" is Apollumi. The meaning of the Greek word apollumi does not mean annihilate, but it means "mar," "ruin," or "rendering unfit for the intended use." Those who do not believe on the Lord Jesus Christ will be marred, ruined, and unfit for their intended use and will be separated from God forever and ever. There is no annihilation of the wicked, although the wicked would greatly wish that it were so. The Bible speaks of the eternal existence of the wicked and the conditions that they find themselves having to endure throughout all eternity Jude 13: - "Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever. 1 Samuel 2:9 - "The wicked shall be silent in darkness." The wicked will be so stunned and dumbfounded with the condition in which they find themselves that they will be

speechless." Psalm 49:19 says: "They shall never see light." Peter speaks concerning the wicked: "To whom the mist of darkness is reserved forever" (2 Pet. 2:17). The Bible proclaims: "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal (Matt. 25:46). Remember that the word "aionios means "eternal" or "everlasting" is referred both to the punishment of the wicked or those saved by God's grace.

The only thing that the Scriptures indicate that would be obliterated would be the remembrance of the wicked. Obliteration means "the state of being blotted out from the memory; being forgotten." The Bible teaches that: "The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance" (Psalm 112:6), but it also teaches that those who go to Hell will be forgotten by their loved ones in Heaven. "Drought and heat consume the snow waters: so doth the grave of those which have sinned. The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a tree (Job 24:19, 20). In verse 20 it says: "The womb (the mother) shall forget him (the child and sinner) - he shall be no more remembered." The lost sinner in hell will be completely forgotten by those who are in heaven - they will be blotted out from the memory. The sinner will always exist in hell forever, but will be completely forgotten by those in heaven. For God will in some way erase the memory of the sinner from the minds of the saints, thus

wiping away the tears of the saints who had loved ones on earth who are now condemned to an eternal hell (Rev. 7:17).

Most cults will reject the truth of Hell as do many people in general. The assumption that is held is that "God is love and because He is love, he would never send a person to a place of punishment forever." The cults will say: "I can't believe that a loving God would allow His creatures to suffer forever in a literal hell." This is a faulty concept of God because the things that are overlooked are God's holiness, righteousness and justice. Because God is holy (absolutely pure and free from all sin and defilement) he cannot receive sin in his presence, to live in his Kingdom. As a result God must righteously condemn sin because he is absolutely just. God is holy, he hates sin, and he must punish sin. He is righteous and must insist that when a person does not meet his perfect requirements he is to be punished. Yes, God is love and he does not wish to see anyone go to Hell, but he cannot keep a person from Hell at the expense of his holiness and justice. So as a result he has no choice but to righteously condemn the sinner to Hell. So you may ask, why condemn the sinner to the Lake of Fire, why not someplace separate from God's Kingdom but not so "painful"? You must understand, through sin you are the property of the devil, the Lake of Fire was made for the devil and his angels (demons) and not for man. But as a sinner you are his property and must go where he is, that is, in the Lake of Fire. Understand?

We must realize that God has a government established by his moral laws based upon his holy nature. If God would allow the sinner to go free from punishment and allow the sinner in his Kingdom, the whole moral fabric and integrity of his society would break down completely (just look at this world). If he allows even one sinner to go free, he would have to allow (based on his righteousness) all sinners to go free and this would include Satan and his demonic host. So you must understand God has no choice, he must condemn sin and the sinner or the foundation of his moral universe would collapse.

The basis of all good governments is justice. Evildoers must be punished. The nations of this world have laws or else there would be chaos. Those who rob, murder and commit crimes against his fellow man are punished. We have prisons and even inflect the death penalty on the criminal and the transgressor for the good of society. God who is higher and wiser than his creature, man, is simply doing the same thing, punishing his rebelling subjects and creatures who would destroy his heavenly society and who would even usurp his power and authority. So even by the moral instincts of man, God must give forth judgment, if God did not he would be even lower then man his creature. Without judgment the whole fabric of the moral universe immediately breaks down.

If God allowed the sinner to go free, think of the Haman's, the Nero's, and the Stalin's and the Muhammad's whose

hands are stained with the blood of thousands and millions of innocents. If there was no punishment, would you like to have them living in your presence still in the nature of their iniquities? Where would the justice be? A God of love who would let a sinner go unpunished would be no God at all. He would not do less then what even human justice demands. Yet the cults would dare judge God as an evil being as they preach that God would not send no one to hell. God sends no one to hell! It is just a place they must go because there is no place for them in heaven. Also they are the property of the devil, so they must go where the devil will be.

Modern Theology in its sickly sweet words will preach that God, the angels, and man could not be happy in heaven if a single human being was suffering in hell. They teach that God is too loving and merciful to send any of his own creatures to eternal punishment, that there is no far-off judgment day and no judge external to ourselves. The heresy of Universalism also known as the "restoration theory," proclaims that all the wicked will finally be reconciled to God. This redemption also includes the devil and all his angels, or demonic spirits. This heresy was condemned at the second council of Constantinople (A.D. 553).

When Satan (then named Lucifer) and approx. 1/3 of the angels of the Kingdom of God rebelled against God, because Lucifer wanted to be God and of vain pride tried to usurp God's authority and power, sinned against God. These

creatures became spiritually depraved because the cancer of sin has totally ruined them. God could not "save" them because they are free moral agents who became totally depraved. As a result they will never be able to fellowship and be a part of God's kingdom, they have become dead to God and under his just judgment. It is also so with man, for man who is a sinner who does not come to God to have his sins dealt with and God's righteousness imputed to him, he will after this life on earth will meet judgment. God at this point cannot help him for that person's soul and spirit will be totally depraved and also he will be trapped in the legalities that will keep him in his depravity because he at this point of time is forever legally the property of Satan. It is through these same legalities that allowed God to forgive the sinner and impute his righteousness to the sinner, so that the sinner cannot ever come under judgment. The sinner legally becomes God's adopted child and as such God can work on the depraved spirit of that sinner making him more and more like Christ, shaping him with his power into a righteous creature fit for his Kingdom. God's justice has been satisfied and the sinner who is under the grace of God can enter the heavenly kingdom for God will not and cannot see the sins of that person because when he sees that person he sees him in Christ who is totally righteous and who paid the price for that former sinner, the shed blood of Christ covers him. God has provided a legal means of escape for the sinner if the sinner

only claims it, for the price that God paid for you was a terrible ransom that justifies his holiness and as a result justifies the sinner, if the sinner acts before it is too late, otherwise Satan will have legal ownership to the sinner and even God has to justly allow Satan to have what is his.

As we have pointed out in the preceding chapters, the Bible teaches that the sinner will be judged and condemned to an everlasting hell. It is true that God does not wish to condemn anyone. In the Old Testament God pleaded with man: "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live" (Ezekiel 33:11). In the New Testament God pleaded with man: "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9). Yes, God is a God of Love and if he could righteously release the condemned sinner who was already in hell, he would. Because God has to condemn sin and the sinner because of his righteousness and justice, it greatly grieved him and He even wished that he never made man (Gen.6:6). It anguishes God most deeply to condemn a sinner. A person in sin grieves and hurts God like no amount of torture ever suffered by man, because the love of God towards us is so great. Even to the extent that he personally in the body of Christ suffered abuse and torture at the hands of the sinner and the extremely cruel and agonizing pain of death on the cross. God did this by taking on the flesh of man by being incarnate in the body and birth of Jesus Christ, which allowed him to walk upon the planet earth. If a person wanted to know what God is like, all that person had to do was look at the life of Jesus. Jesus proclaimed: "That those who saw him saw the Father" (John 14:9). In John 10:30 Jesus proclaimed: "I and my Father are one."

God hates sin to the extreme because God is holy to the utmost. When God imputed our sins to Jesus Christ so that he may pay the penalty of sin for us; God had to punish his Son to the full penalty of the curse of sin. Jesus was tortured, whipped, suffering humiliation, nailed to a cross, became spiritually separated from the Father and suffered physical death. Jesus did this willingly, even though he may have wished it otherwise (Jesus never had to suffer any of this because he is totally self-righteous, holy and could at any time call on an army of angels to defend him), he suffered the full judgment and wrath of God towards sin so that we will not be judged or suffer the wrath of God. The cross shows us God's wrath and judgment towards sin, how God feels and views sin and the consequences thereof. It also shows us God's holiness as well as God's great sacrificial love towards mankind.

God will forgive the sinner - and the sinner is only forgiven because Jesus Christ has borne our judgment. At that same moment of forgiveness God imputes his righteousness to us. We can look at it this way - Jesus is our umbrella of righteousness, when God looks at us he looks at us through the blood bought umbrella of Jesus and only sees the righteousness of Christ in us. The wicked that do not have the umbrella protection of Christ over their heads will be drenched in the wrath and judgment of God. Thanks to God that we are under the umbrella of grace which he bought for us at a great cost to himself because he loves us as something priceless. He has through the cross of Jesus Christ met the demands of his holiness and satisfied his righteousness. So that everyone who repents and believes on the Lord Jesus Christ is accepted by God, forgiven by God, and will never go the Hell. Those who resent the idea of eternal retribution are, in fact, resenting divine holiness.

The wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness. The cults are under the wrath and judgment of God (and even more so, because they keep the sinner in his bonds and from the truth) as are all sinners. For the Scriptures proclaim: "He that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him" (John 3:36). This does not mean a belief in a historic Jesus; it means a belief in His deity, His teachings, His doctrines. Every preacher and prophet of God has warned of the coming judgment and to flee from the wrath to come, Note; Enoch (Jude 14, 15); Noah, (2 Pet. 2:5); Moses, (Deut. 32:35); the Psalmists, John

the Baptist, the Apostles, Jesus and the great many preachers down through the centuries have declared the warning.

The Holy Ghost is always knocking on the door of your heart, warning and pleading. The Holy Ghost may do this through a "still small voice," or a second thought or conscience that you may sense. Those who are stiffed necked, the Holy Spirit will work through people and situations. The Cults trample under the blood of Christ and are in extreme danger of damnation. For the Holy Writ warns: "But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation" (Mark 3:29).

Jesus reproached the false teachers of his day with the question: "How can you escape the damnation of hell" (Matt. 23:33)? While Paul spoke of those who refused the truth who were not saved and said of them: "That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness" (2nd Thess. 2:12). God's Word clearly states: "But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first (i.e. Judean, most of those today who call themselves "Jews" are not Judeans but are Khazar Huns, i.e. Asiatic) and also of the Gentile" (Rom. 2:8-9).

What can we say then? God is a God of love but he is also a God of judgment. How can we compare this in our human

relationships? Perhaps we can compare it to a man who loves a women and that woman is also his friend. Then one day this woman starts avoiding this man. Now the man is very concerned about the change of attitude in her toward him, but she won't even communicate with him. Instead she starts treating the friendship and love of this man like dirt. But this man in his love of her would have forgiven her at any time. She also goes after other men openly, still avoiding him and with no explanation whether the man did her wrong in some way. She does these unwarranted things which are a mockery to him. The man is very hurt, for he has not done anything to her to deserve this. Still he loves her and will forgive and receive her as his best friend. But the time comes when he must turn his heart away from her and now only the anger, the wrath is there towards her. She is no longer a blessing, instead she is now a curse, she now stands condemned in the wrongs and the sins she has done to him.

Now this may be a rough illustration, but the fact is - - - God loves man, but man has turned away from God, avoiding him, not communicating with him and not acknowledging him as their God. Instead man treats God's love like dirt by sinning. Man even goes after other idols, mocking the love of God. Still, God loves the sinner and is willing to forgive the sinner and receive the sinner as his best friend. But the time comes (if you die in your sins) when God must turn his heart away from the sinner and now only the anger and wrath is

there towards the sinner. The sinner from this time on can never repent to receive forgiveness, to be a blessing to God. The sinner is now a curse in his sins and now stands condemned in his sins committed against God. Hell and the Lake of Fire will be his home - FOREVER. This is the spiritual reality of things and of things to come. It would be well with you if you understand this and accept the great sacrificial gift that God has for you — eternal life with him, which is only through Jesus the Christ, the Lamb of God. You receive this eternal life by God by taking the step of faith by simply asking God to forgive your sins. Simple!

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The End

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