

WHY I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL!

TEXT: Psalm 9:15-20

INTRO:

A. Hell is a real place.

1. Notice some truths concerning hell that are set forth in this Psalm.
 - a. It is a place for the "wicked" and those that "forget" God (Psa. 19:17).
 - b. It is a place that men shall be "turned into" (Psa. 19:17).
 - c. It is a place that manifests the justice of God (Psa.19:7-8, 16).
 - d. It is a place that man's own sins sends him to (Psa. 19:15-16).
 - e. The only way of escape is the Mercy of God (Psa. 9:9-10).
2. It is a place of everlasting torments, damnation, and punishment (Matt. 23:33; Mk. 9:43-48; Rev. 20:10, 13-15).

B. Word's cannot describe the horrors of the eternal doom of the damned!

1. I cannot make the warring vivid enough! I cannot be too graphic! You cannot be too scarred!
2. Hell is real!

C. I can assure you that I do not want to go to hell.

1. I can assure you that I am not going! I can tell you why I don't want to go!

I. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE THE DEVIL WILL BE THERE!

A. The devil is NOT now in hell!

1. He is NOW deceiving the nations (Rev. 20:3).
 - a. He is behind EVERY falsehood known and promoted by man (Eph. 2:1-2).
 - b. The whole world is blinded by his bewitching power (II Cor. 4:4)
2. He is NOW an adversary of the people of God (I Peter 5:8-9).
 - a. I have had enough of the devil!

B. Praise God! The devil's coming doom is certain (Rev. 20:10).

1. Jesus Christ came to destroy the devil (Heb. 2:14-15).
 - a. There is coming a day when the devil will be destroyed for ever and ever.

II. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE THERE WILL NOT BE ANY SAVED PEOPLE THERE.

A. Hell is a place for the lost - No matter HOW lost! It is for the lost! (Rev. 20:15; 21:6-8).

1. Sinners will be there!
 - a. GREAT sinners (Rev. 21:8; Psa. 9:17).
 - b. SMALL sinners (Psa. 9:17)- (those that "forget God")
2. RELIGIOUS people will be there (Matt. 7:22-23).
3. Hell does not "do away" with sin!
 - a. Only the blood of Jesus can remit sin (I John 1:7).

B. There will be NO SAVED people in hell (Jn. 3:16, 36).

1. Praise God for the promises that God has for His people - Eternal life!
2. Oh the joy and fellowship of those who are truly saved (I Thess. 1:1-4).
 - a. In heaven we will not carry around the weight of sin.

III. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE GOD'S LOVE, GRACE, AND MERCY WILL NOT BE THERE.

A. Oh how I enjoy the love, grace, and mercy of God!

1. How thankful I am that God LOVES me (Rom. 8:31-39)!
 - a. Electing, saving, keeping LOVE!
2. Oh how DEPENDENT I am on His mercy and grace (Titus 3:5-7).

B. But in hell there will not be ANY love, mercy or grace (Matthew 25:46; II Thess. 1:6-9)

1. You cannot imagine a place where there is NO love, mercy or grace!
 - a. God extends "common mercy" to those on the earth NOW (Matthew 5:45).
 - b. Men benefit from the love, mercy, and grace of God who are not objects of such.
 - c. But in HELL there is no mercy, love, or grace!

IV. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE THERE WILL NOT BE ANY HAPPINESS, JOY, OR PEACE THERE.

A. I enjoy happiness, love, joy and peace (Psalm 32:1-11).

1. The flesh and sin limit my rejoicing NOW!
2. Though I know sorrow - I will not know it in the life to come.
 - a. All the sorrows of this life will be forgotten by the children of God (Isa. 65:13-19)
 - b. I am going to a place where there will only be happiness, love, joy, and peace (Rev. 21:3-5).

B. But hell is VOID of HAPPINES, JOY, AND PEACE!

1. In hell there is the MEMORY of a wicked life (Luke 16:25).
2. In hell there is perpetual torments, weeping, and gnashing of teeth (Luke 16:25; Matt. 25:30; Rev. 20:10; 21:8).
 - a. There are not parties, friends, reunions ..in HELL!

V. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE THERE WILL NOT BE ANY HOPE OF GETTING OUT.

A. I am glad I am going to leave this world (Phil. 1:21-23).

1. The reason I am glad is because I know where I am going!
2. The reason I am glad is because I know HOW and WHY I am going (Gal. 1:4).

B. But those in HELL can never get out!

1. Hell is forever (Rev. 14:11; 20:10-15; 21:8)!
2. TODAY, NOW, there is HOPE, in Jesus Christ, for EVERY lost man, that will come unto God on God s terms (Heb. 7:25).

VI. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO HELL BECAUSE JESUS WILL NOT BE THERE.

A. Jesus is my ALL in ALL!

1. Jesus saved me form my sins.
2. He has left me some wonderful promises (Jn. 14:1-3).
 - a. I am looking for and longing for HIM (I Jn 3:1-3; Rev. 22:1-7).

B. What is Jesus to you (Rev.22:11-17)?

1. Jesus says come! Have you? Will you?
2. ARE YOU WITHOUT CHRIST (Eph. 2:12).
 - a. To live with out Christ is to die without Christ!
 - b. Without Christ means you are without HOPE, without HELP, without LIFE, without a DEFENCE ...YOU will remain WITHOUT ..IN HELL!

CON:

A. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell? (Matt. 23:33)

1. Only through JESUS CHRIST (DBR)!