

# Scriptures Not Covered in Hell Investigation

In the investigation that we did, I examined the usual proof texts in the OT & NT for Hell (eternal torment). However, there are others that need to be considered so you can make up your mind whether or not you subscribe to the church doctrine of Hell.

## What do We need Saving from?

**Romans 5:9** (NKJV) – *Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.*

**Romans 10:9** (NKJV) – *that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.*

**2 Corinthians 7:10** (NKJV) – *For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.*

## Eternal Life is Available

If there's a need to do something (accept Jesus' sacrifice and Lordship) to inherit eternal life then the default must be the opposite.

**Matthew 19:29** (NKJV) – *And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands<sup>1</sup>, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.*

**John 6:54** (NKJV) – *Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.*

**John 10:27-28** (NKJV) – *My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.*

**Romans 6:23** (NKJV) – *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift<sup>2</sup> of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**1 Timothy 6:19** (NKJV) – *storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.*

**Jude 21** (AMP<sup>3</sup>) – *and keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously and looking forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ [which will bring you] to eternal life.*

**1 John 3:15** (NKJV) – *Whoever hates his brother is a murderer; and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.*

## An Afterlife that's not Nice

**Matthew 10:28** (NABRE<sup>4</sup>) – *And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.*

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1 – Lit. fields

2 – Free gift

3 – Amplified Bible

4 – New American Bible (Revised Edition)

**Luke 12:5** (AMPC<sup>5</sup>) – *But I will warn you whom you should fear: fear Him Who, after killing, has power to hurl into hell (Gehenna); yes, I say to you, fear Him!*

**Matthew 25:45-46** (NKJV) – *Then He will answer them, saying, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.’ And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”*

**Daniel 12:2** (AMPC) – *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake: some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt and abhorrence.*

**Matthew 8:12** (AMP) – *while the sons and heirs of the kingdom [the descendants of Abraham who will not recognize Me as Messiah] will be thrown out into the outer darkness; in that place [which is farthest removed from the kingdom] there will be weeping [in sorrow and pain] and grinding of teeth [in distress and anger].”*

**Mark 9:43-44** (NKJV) – *If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed<sup>6</sup>, rather than having two hands, to go to hell<sup>7</sup>, into the fire that shall never be quenched—<sup>8</sup> where ‘Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’*

## **Dubious References**

**Philippians 2:9-10** (NKJV) – *Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth.<sup>9</sup>*

**Matthew 8:11-12** (AMP) – *I say to you that many [Gentiles] will come from east and west, and will sit down [to feast at the table, and enjoy God’s promises] with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven [because they accepted Me as Savior], while the sons and heirs of the kingdom [the descendants of Abraham who will not recognize Me as Messiah] will be thrown out into the outer darkness; in that place [which is farthest removed from the kingdom] there will be weeping [in sorrow and pain] and grinding of teeth [in distress and anger].”<sup>10</sup>*

**Matthew 22:12-14** (AMP) – *and he said, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without wearing the wedding clothes [that were provided for you]?’ And the man was speechless and without excuse. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Tie him hand and foot, and throw him into the darkness outside; in that place there will be weeping [over sorrow and pain] and grinding of teeth [over distress and anger].’ For many are called (invited, summoned), but few are chosen.”<sup>11</sup>*

## **Rejected References**

1. **The Book of Revelation** – This is a symbolic book written to the 1<sup>st</sup> church in code so only they would understand it. It relates directly to the impending destruction of Jerusalem by Rome and eventually the release of the New Covenant (NC). It cannot be taken at face value so is removed from the investigation.
2. **The Olivet Discourse**<sup>12</sup> – “Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels” & “And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness where there will

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5 – Amplified Bible, Classic Edition

6 – Crippled

7 – Gehenna

8 – NU omits v. 44 (i.e. the remainder of the quote)

9 – Most likely the Watchers locked up in Tartarus (Jude 1:6)

10 – Referring to the Jews who rejected the Messiah and were removed from the Kingdom

11 – Referring to the Jews who rejected the Messiah and were removed from the Kingdom

12 – Matthew 24 & 25 (chapter 23 prefaces it)

be weeping and gnashing of teeth” are part of Matthew 25. It is allegorical language used to prepare the disciples and believers in Jerusalem for the destruction of the city.

3. **The Wicked Vineyard Workers** – This parable in Matthew 21 was directed at the Jewish leaders by Jesus.<sup>13</sup> He was warning them that they’d misused their God-given authority and that they would be destroyed<sup>14</sup> (by the Romans) and the Kingdom taken from Israel/Jews<sup>15</sup> and given to the members of the NC which includes the gentiles (another “people group”).

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13 – Verse 45

14 – Verse 41

15 – Verse 41 & 43