

# 1 OBJECT

COMMON OBJECTIONS  
TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH



OBJECTION #7

“A loving God  
wouldn't send  
people to Hell.”

TOOK LONGER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD.



# C.S. Lewis

“There is no doctrine which I would more willingly remove from Christianity than this, if it lay in my power.”

# Gehenna



# Objections to the Doctrine of Hell

1. There is no afterlife.
2. Reincarnation: We survive death to be reborn into some other container.
3. Universalism: Everyone goes to Heaven and no one goes to Hell.
4. Annihilationism: The belief that unbelievers will not experience an eternity of suffering in Hell, but will instead be “extinguished” after death.

# C.S. Lewis

“Christianity asserts that every individual human being is going to live forever, and this must be either true or false. Now there are a good many things which would not be worth bothering about if I were going to live only 70 years, but which I had better bother about very seriously if I am going to live

# C.S. Lewis

forever. Perhaps my bad temper or my jealousy are gradually getting worse – so gradually that the increase in 70 years will not be very noticeable. But it might be absolute hell in a million years: in fact, if Christianity is true, hell is the precisely correct technical term for what it would be.”

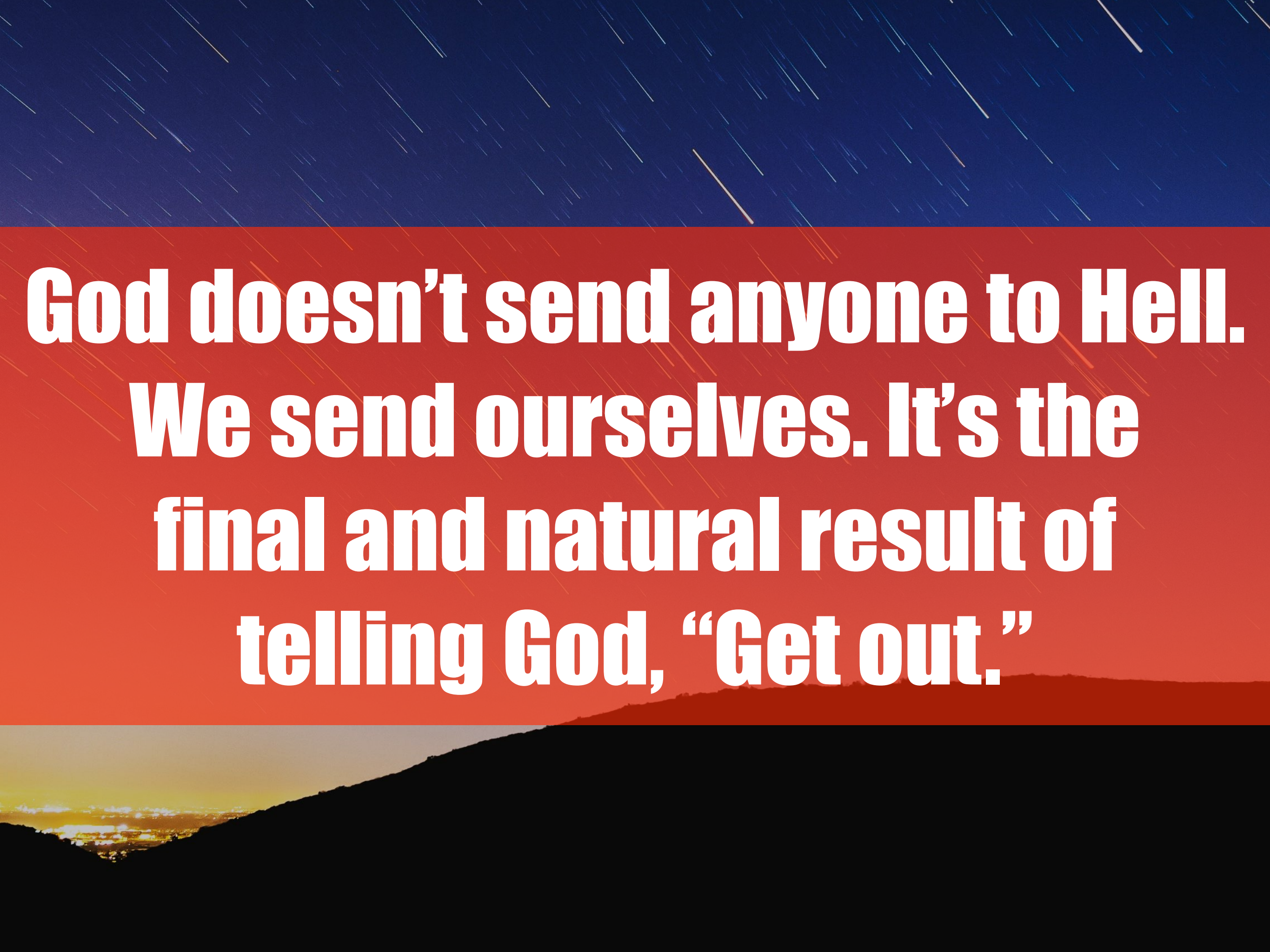


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Hell . . . begins with a grumbling mood, and yourself still distinct from it: perhaps criticizing it . . . Ye can repent and come out of it again. But there may come a day when you can do that no longer. Then there will be no you left to criticize the mood, nor even to enjoy it, but just the grumble itself going on forever like a machine.



**We think Hell is severe, because we don't think trampling on the glory of God is that big of a deal.**



**God doesn't send anyone to Hell.  
We send ourselves. It's the  
final and natural result of  
telling God, "Get out."**

# C.S. Lewis

“In the long run the answer to all those who object to the doctrine of Hell is itself a question: “What are you asking God to do?” To wipe out their past sins and, at all costs, to give them a fresh start, smoothing every difficulty and offering every miraculous help? But He has done so, on Calvary.

# C.S. Lewis

To forgive them? They will not be forgiven. To leave them alone? Alas, I am afraid that is what He does... In the end, there are only two kinds of people – those who say to God “thy will be done” and those to whom God says in the end “thy will be done.”