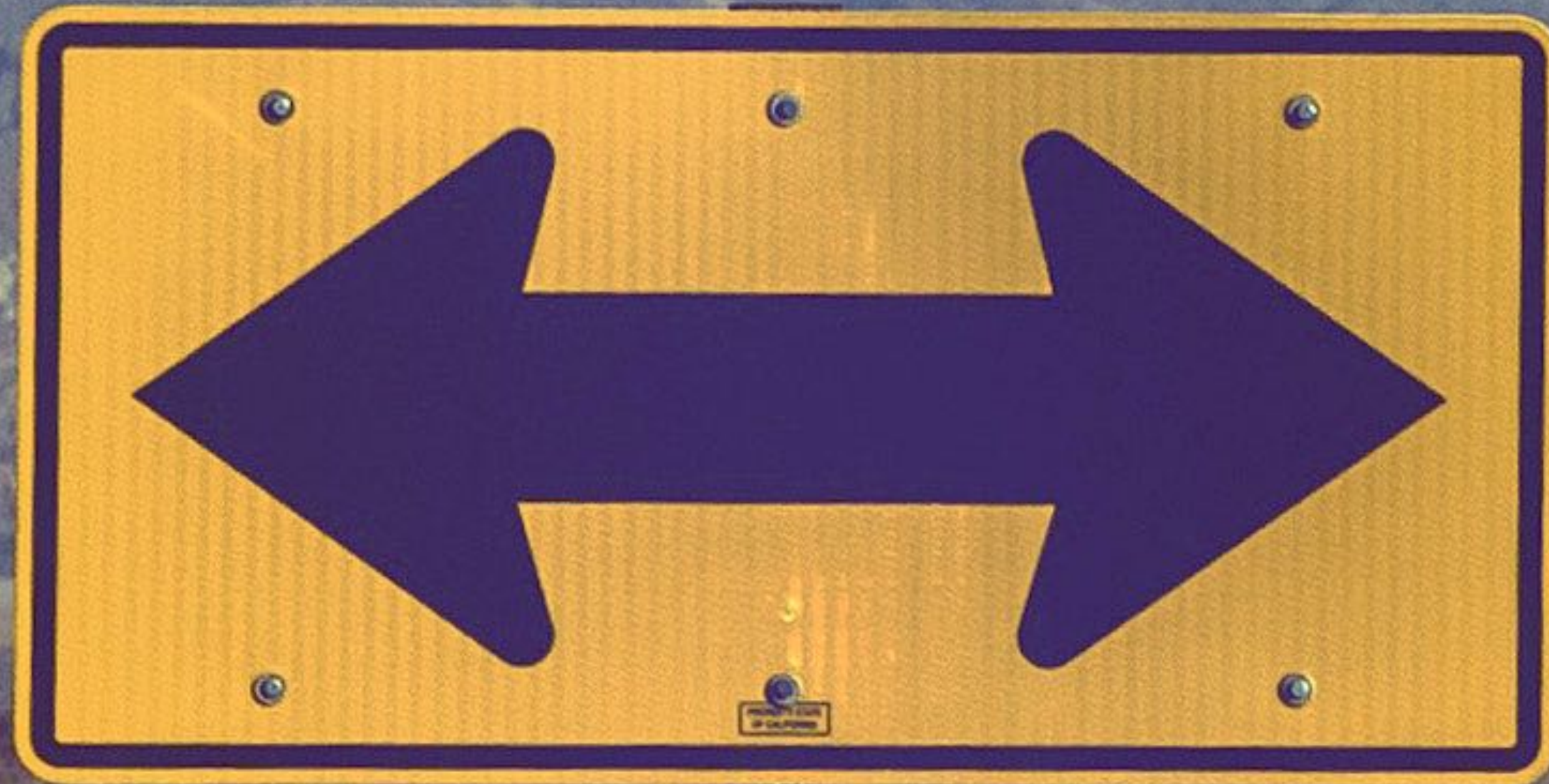


# **Our Eternal Perspective**

## **The Crossroad Between Heaven and Hell**

**John 3:16-19, 36**







Do you believe in? 2001

God	90%
angels	79%
heaven	83%
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devil	68%



Do you believe in?	2001	2023
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God	90%	74%
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angels	79%	69%
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heaven	83%	67%
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hell	71%	59%
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devil	68%	58%
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“There is no doctrine which I would more willingly remove from Christianity than this, if it lay in my power. But it has the full support of scripture and, especially, of Our Lord’s own words; it has always been

held by Christendom; and it has the support of reason. If a game is played, it must be possible to lose it.”

—*C. S. Lewis*

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*—John 3:3,5ESV*



**What is the hardest thing for  
God to do?**

*"Ask people to wait a  
little bit before they  
come to Heaven.*

*Sometimes they don't  
have the beds made up  
and the linens changed  
yet"*

**Jackie age 10**

*Angels Must Get Their  
Wings By Helping  
Little Angels Like Me*

CHILDREN'S IDEAS OF GOD,  
HEAVEN AND THE ANGELS

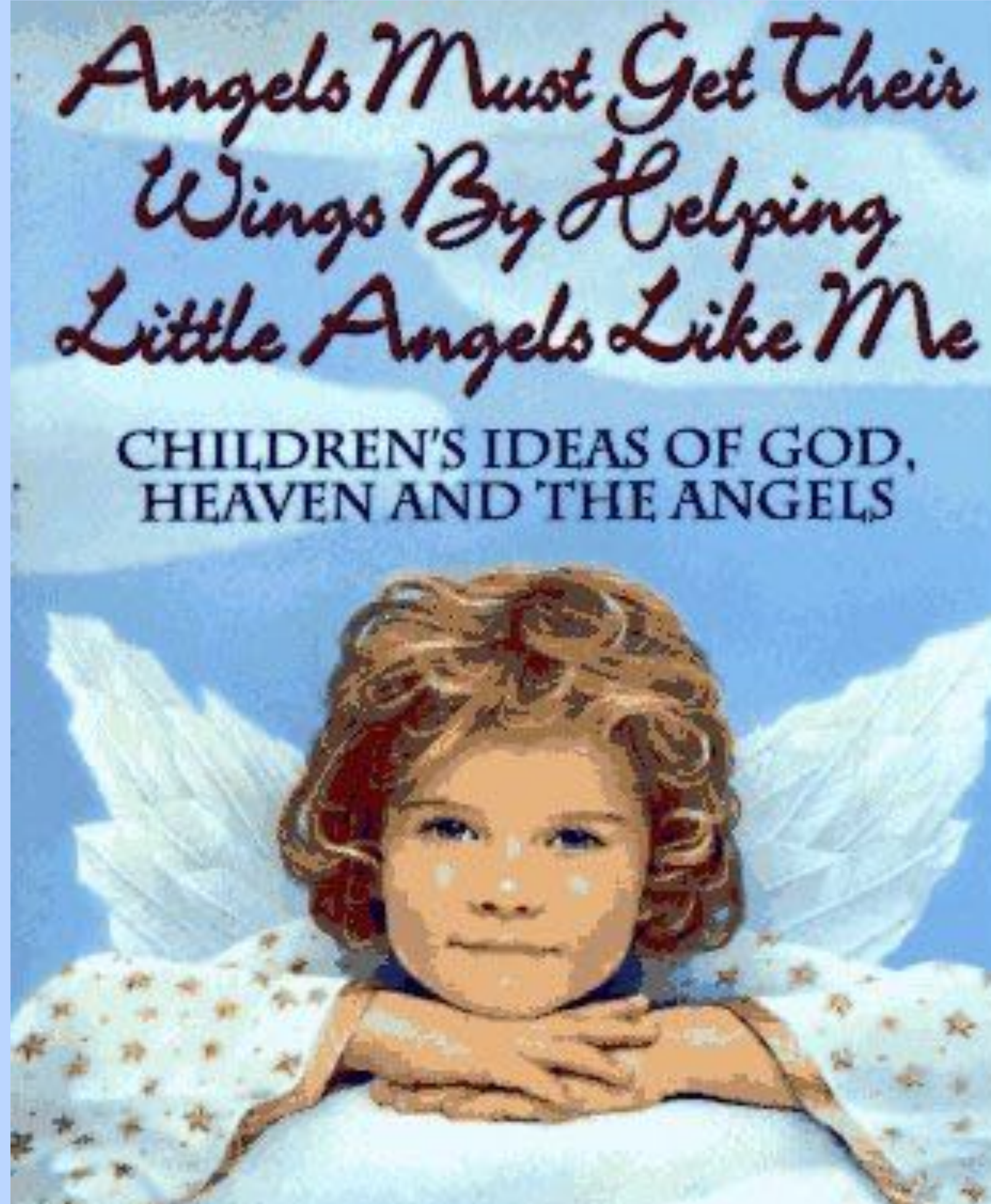




# What happens in Heaven?

"God is there helping kids who couldn't walk on Earth - they're standing up for the first time ever."

**Natalie age 7**

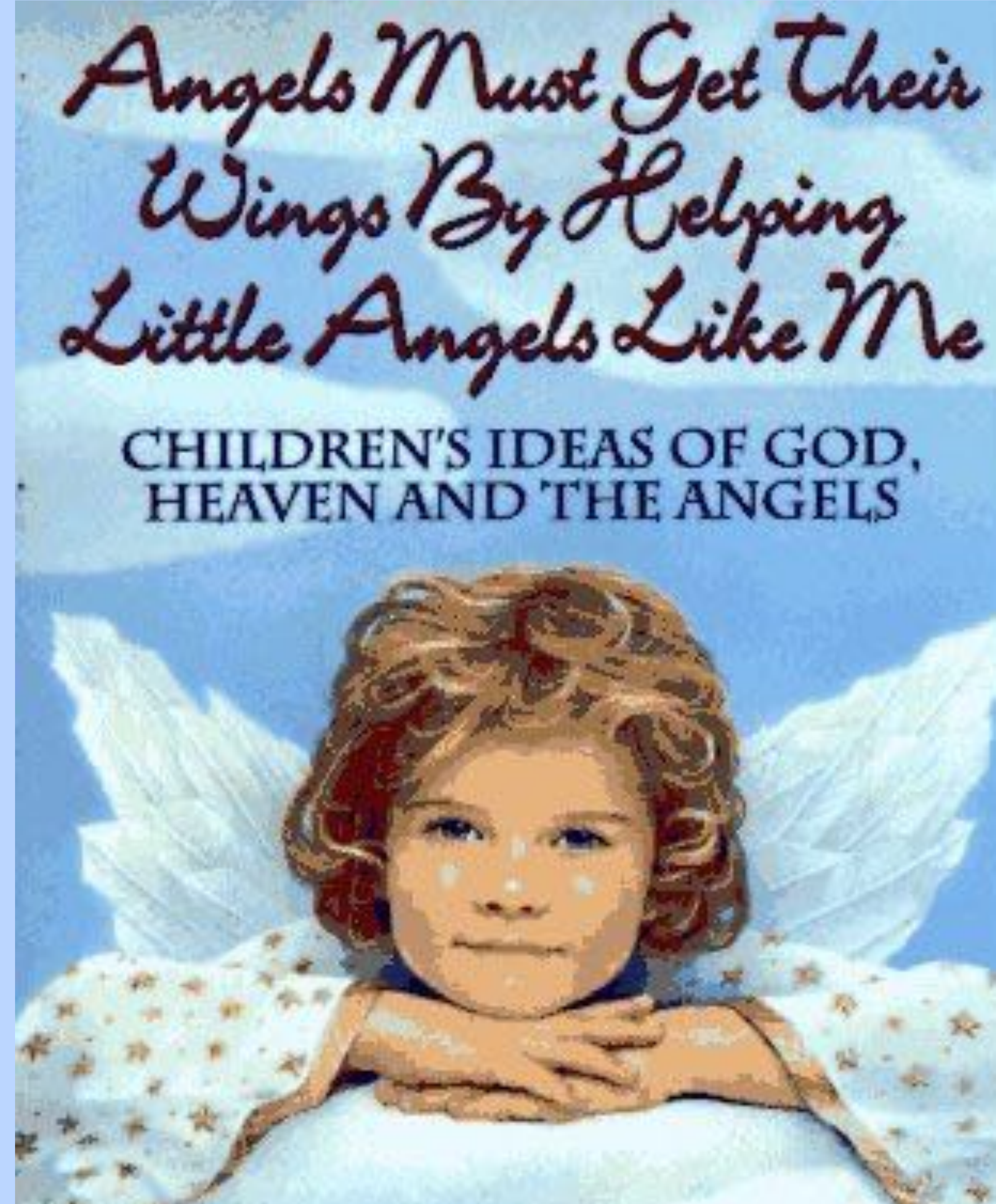




**Will Heaven be boring?**

**"Before I answer that, I  
need to know how long  
the sermons are in  
Heaven."**

**Duncan age 9**





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*“He made offerings in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom and burned his sons as a sacrifice.”*

*— 2 Chronicles 28:3ESV*



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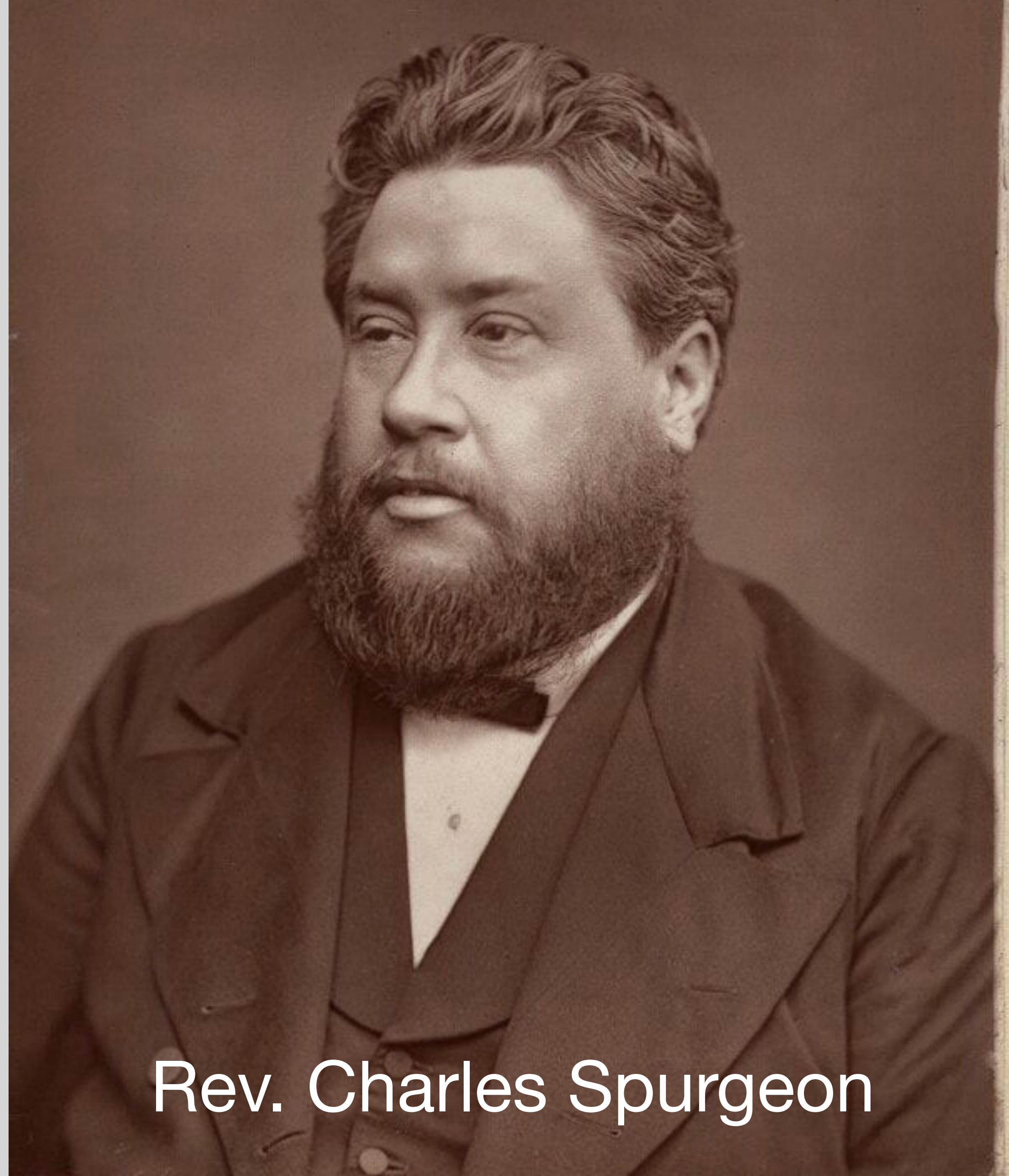
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Outer darkness

Weeping and gnashing of teeth



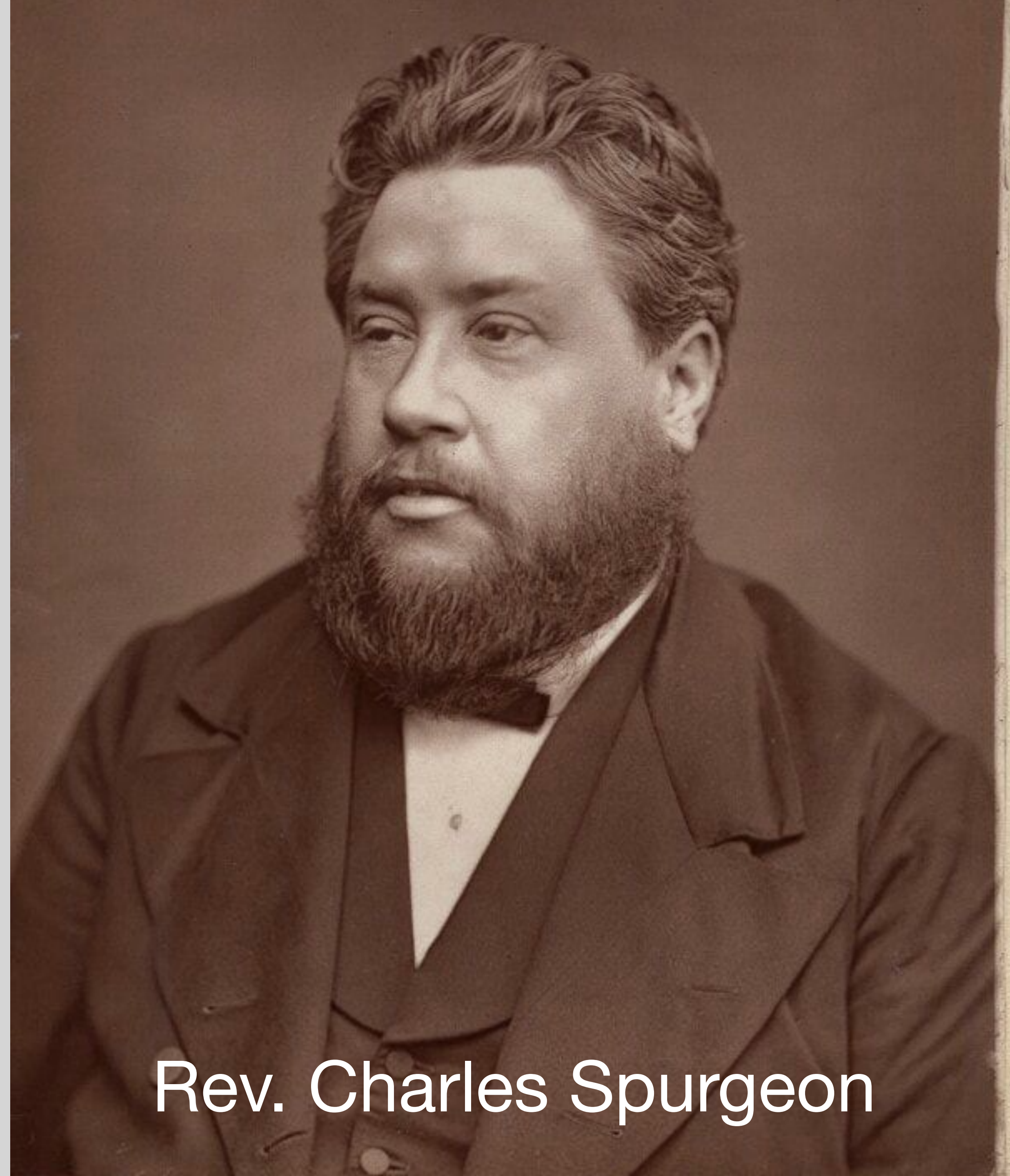
“His lord called this servant  
‘wicked.’ Is it, then, a wicked  
thing to be unprofitable?  
Not to do right is to be  
wicked; not to live for Christ is  
to be wicked.  
Not to be of use in the world  
is to be wicked; not to bring  
glory to the name of the Lord  
is to be wicked.  
To be slothful is to be wicked.



Rev. Charles Spurgeon



It is clear that there are many wicked people in the world who would not like to be called so.”



Rev. Charles Spurgeon

# Hell

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Greek word for *hell* Gehenna (Valley of Hinnom)

Outer darkness

Weeping and gnashing of teeth

Continuous torment

Great chasm between heaven and hell



*“The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the **wrath of God** remains on him.”*

— John 3:35-36ESV

*“For all have sinned and fall short of the  
glory of God,*

— Romans 3:23ESV



*“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”*

— Romans 3:23ESV

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## Mirror Jesus

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***“Keep your minds fixed on things there, not on things here on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”***



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## Mirror Jesus

2. Saturate yourself in Scripture

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*“Come to me, all you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light.”*

— Matthew 11:28-30 NLT



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*“Your real life IS Christ, and when he appears, then you too will appear with him and share his glory!”* —Colossians 3:1-4GNT

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Anchored in a future hope with Jesus

The same moral and spiritual values

The same heart of service for God

The same joy of worshipping Him



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3. Share what Jesus has done for you

*“Let not your heart be troubled: believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you for I go to prepare a place for you.*



*“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to myself; that where I am, there you may be also.*

*—John 14:1-3NASB*











“Our deeds are not *the basis* of our salvation, they are *the evidence* of our salvation.”

—Rev. John Piper



*“He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control.”*

—Philippians 3:21 NLT



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