

Eternity Pastor Jeremy McGarity

"A wise person thinks much about death, while the fool thinks only about having a good time."

ECCLESIASTES 7:4 | NLT

"Sorrow is better than laughter, it may sadden your face, but it sharpens your understanding." ECCLESIASTES 7:3 | GNT

• YOU'RE NOT READY TO LIVE UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO DIE.

"... He has also set eternity in the heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end."

ECCLESIASTES 3:11 | NIV

I. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER DEATH?

"Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment" HEBREWS 9:27 | NIV

• NON-BELIEVERS: SUFFER SEPARATION FROM GOD IN HELL .

"He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might."

2 THESSALONIANS 1:8-9 | NIV

II. FOUR NAMES OF HELL

- 1. THE ABYSS OR BOTTOMLESS PIT
- 2. TARTARUS

2 PETER 2:4

3. HADES

LUKE 16:23; REVELATION 1:18; 20:13-14

4. **GEHENNA**

REVELATION 20:10, 14-15

• LUKE 16:19-31 | THE PARABLE OF THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS

III. FOUR TYPES OF SUFFERING IN HELL

1. PHYSICAL SUFFERING

"So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire." LUKE 16:24 | NIV

2. **EMOTIONAL** SUFFERING

"They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

MATTHEW 13:42 | NIV

3. **RELATIONAL** SUFFERING

"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment." LUKE 16:27-28 | NIV

4. SPIRITUAL SUFFERING

"They will be punished in everlasting hell, forever separated from the Lord, never to see the glory of his power." 2 THESSALONIANS 1:9 | LB

IV. HOW COULD A GOOD GOD SEND SOMEONE TO HELL?

1. REMEMBER: GOD DOES SEND PEOPLE TO HELL.

"He isn't really being slow about his promised return, even though it sometimes seems that way. But he is waiting, for the good reason that he is not willing that any should perish, and he is giving more time for sinners to repent."

2 PETER 3:9 | LB

2. WHY IS THERE A PLACE LIKE HELL?

"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels."

MATTHEW 25:41 | NIV

- 3. PEOPLE <u>CHOOSE</u> TO GO THERE.
- 4. GOD WILL NOT **FORCE** ANYONE TO LOVE HIM.

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1.	What is one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why?
2.	Ecclesiastes 7:3 says, "Sorrow is better than laughter, it may sadden your face but it sharpens your understanding." What do you think Solomon meant when he wrote this? How have you seen this play out in your own life?
3.	Pastor Jeremy talked about four types of suffering in Hell. How does this change your perspective and understanding of Hell? Knowing this information, what stops you from shouting from the rooftops who Jesus is?
4.	How can we be praying for you this week?