

Christian Views on Hell



Part 1: Introduction

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Christians are commanded to know what they believe, and why they believe it, so we can answer anyone who asks.
(1 Peter 3:15-16)

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Jesus specifically commanded that love of God includes love of God with our minds: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” (Matt. 22:37)

The Mystery of the Trinity

The Parables of Jesus

Letter to the Ephesians

Christians & Culture

Evidence for the Resurrection

The Basics of Christianity

The Spiritual Disciplines

How To Ruin Your Life By 40

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Questions About Prayer

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Sex in the Body of Christ

Reconciling Science and Faith

Why Does God Allow Suffering & Evil?

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Examining Post-Modernism

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Stewardship

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Rethinking Missions

Homosexuality & The Church

What really did it was the ideology about eternal damnation. Eventually I had to reject the idea that a truly loving God, a God that was Good and whom I could trust, would send people to hell for disbelief. God didn't seem to care if they had rational reasons for it, if they had been born into a "wrong" religion, if they had never had the opportunity to learn why Christianity was true. He didn't care if someone had the integrity to believe what honestly appeared true rather than give in to fear and "believe" (or try to believe) in an attempt to be safe after death just in case hell really existed. I tried to weasel these ideas about hell around, too, to soften them, but when my best friend died who was not a believer I was forced to confront it head-on. I concluded that if God really would send people to hell for disbelief, even when people had really valid, good reasons for disbelief, then he was an uncaring petty tyrant ----- of a God that didn't deserve to be worshiped in the first place.





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