

Defending Eternity

John 3:16-18

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(Part 10 – Defending Your Faith)

I. God's Promise

⊗ _____ **for those who**
_____ **in** _____.

⊗ **This is lived out in a real place**
called _____.

"God wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." 1 Tim. 2:4 (HCSB)

"God is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

II. God's Punishment

⊗ **Those who don't** _____ **will** _____

⊗ **This is in a real place called** _____.

"Then God 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.'" Matt. 25:41 (NIV)

↪ _____ **is the only just alternative to** _____

"The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will weed out of His kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Matt. 13:41-42 (NIV)

"But the cowards, unbelievers, vile, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars – their share will be in the lake that burns with fire and Sulphur." Rev. 21:8 (HCSB)

III. Man's Problem

#1. Many are simply _____ with _____.

"If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into Hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell." Matt. 5:29-30 (NIV)

#2. Many struggle with _____ being _____.

a.) The _____ doesn't fit the _____.

"How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant and has insulted the Spirit?" Heb. 10:29 (NAS)

b.) There is no _____ to continue to _____

for all _____ and _____.

They will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." Matt. 25:46 (NIV)

c.) That it is somewhat like a _____.

"God 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." 2 Thess. 1:8-9 (NIV)

#3. Many think it _____ on God's part to
_____ people who have _____.

a.) God's _____.

"That which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse." Rom. 1:19-20 (NAS)

"God did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness." Acts 14:17 (NAS)

b.) God's _____ and _____.

"An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Go south to the road – the desert road – that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' The Spirit told Philip, 'Go to that chariot and stay near it.'" Acts 8:26,29 (NIV)