

I Believe in Heaven and Hell

(Finding Faith Series - #6)

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Faith – noun: 1. Confidence or trust in a person or thing.
2. Belief that is not based on proof.

Step 1: Does God exist? The evidence causes me to have **faith** that God exists.

Step 2: What's so special about the Bible? The Bible is so unique and accurate (historically and scientifically) that I have **faith** that it is from God.

Step 3: What is God like? The Bible reveals God as an eternal spirit, perfect in all his attributes, who explains himself most clearly as a loving Father.

Step 4: What about Jesus? Jesus Christ was God incarnate – who came to earth to show us the Father, die for our sins, and offer us eternal life in heaven.

Step 5: Is there really only one way to heaven? Because of His sinless life and willing death on the cross, Jesus is the one mediator between God and man, and obedient belief in Him is the ONE way to salvation.

Question #6: Are Heaven and Hell Real?

According to the World:

The world does not take heaven and hell very seriously.

According to the Bible:

1. The Bible is very clear that...

Heaven and Hell are _____.

Matthew 25:46

Revelation 21:1-8

2. The Bible is not so clear about what heaven and hell will be like.

Heaven can not actually be described (*1 Cor. 2:9*).

But it is partially described by the absence of:

Rev. 21:25 _____

Rev. 7:16 _____ or _____

Rev. 21:4 _____, _____, and _____

Hell is also beyond our understanding, but is described as:

_____ *Luke 12:5*

A place of _____ and _____ *Mark 9:48*

A place of _____ and _____ *Matt. 25:30*

_____ from _____ *Matt. 25:41*

3. Heaven and Hell are perfectly consistent with the nature of God.

John 14:2,3 Heaven is prepared for God's children.

2 Peter 2:4 Hell was prepared for the angels that sinned.

John 3:16 God doesn't want anyone to go to hell.

Rom. 2:5-11 The just response of holiness to sin is wrath.

2 Thess. 1:5-10 Those who reject God will receive what they chose.