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Weekly Action Report



Our Weekly Action Plan is designed to help you *recapture and build* on what God is teaching from Sunday's message.

Use the Message Action Plan (MAP) below to help put the things you learned this weekend into practice. If you missed either of the last two weekend's message, <u>Click Here</u> to listen to it online.

Hell

Pastor Dan Wilvers Part 5- Luke 16:19-31

"How can you possibly reconcile the concept of judgment and hell with the idea of a loving God?"

GK Chesterton: "Hell is God's great compliment to the reality of human freedom and the dignity of human choice."

(Free will)

JP Morleand: "If we fail to live for the purpose for which we are made; to relate lovingly to Him and to others, then God will have absolutely no choice but to give us what we've asked for all along in our lives, which is separation from Him." (Self-will)

C.S. Lewis: "In the long run the answer to all those who object to the doctrine of hell, is itself a question: 'What are you asking God to do?' To wipe out their past sins and, at all costs, to give them a fresh start? But he has done so, on Calvary.

To forgive them? They will not be forgiven. To leave them alone? Alas, I am afraid that is what he does. There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, 'Thy will be done,' and those to whom God says, in the end, '*Thy* will be done.' All that are in hell, choose it. Without that self-choice there could be no hell. The doors of hell are locked from the inside".

#1 Lesson from this past Sunday- God does not throw people into Hell. As the quotes above assert, Hell is the free will choice of a self-willed life that wants no part of a God willed existence. Heaven is God's will. Hell is your will. Both are eternal.

#2 Lesson from this past Sunday-The existence of hell proves the amazing depth God was willing to go in order to save you. How so? He endured hell, a place God would least like to exist (being outside of His own will) in order to have mankind's sins applied to Himself.

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

I cannot think of anyone more unworthy to this cause than I, the least of the least of the saints. *But here I am,* a grace-madriches that no one ever imagined. ⁹ I am *privileged* to enlighten all *of Adam's descendants* to the mystery concealed from previous ages by God, the Creator of all, through Jesus the Anointed. ¹⁰ *Here's His objective*: through the church, He intends now to make known His infinite and boundless wisdom to all rulers and authorities in heavenly realms. ¹¹ This has been His plan from the beginning, one that He has now accomplished through the Anointed One, Jesus our Lord. Ephesians 3:8-11

Action Step: Let the light of the Good News shine through your life everywhere!

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.