

The Eternal State

We believe there is a literal Heaven as well as a literal Hell to which people will enter based on the decision made in this life concerning God's Son (**1John 5:11-12; Rev. 20:11-15**). Therefore, we also believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved unto eternal life, and the unsaved unto eternal judgment and everlasting punishment (**Matt. 25:46; John 5:28-29; 11:25-26; Rev. 20:5-6, 12-13**).

1. We believe that the souls of the redeemed are, at death, absent from the body and present with the Lord, where in conscious bliss they await the first resurrection, when their spirit, soul, and body are reunited to be glorified forever with the Lord (**Luke 23:43; 2 Cor. 5:8; Phil. 1:23; 3:21; 1 Thess. 4:16-17; Rev. 20:4-6**).
2. We believe that the souls of unbelievers remain, after death, in conscious punishment and torment until the second resurrection, when with body and soul being reunited they may appear at the Great White Throne Judgment, and shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting conscious punishment and torment (**Matt. 25:41-46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-26; 2 Thess. 1:7-9; Jude 6-7; Rev. 20:11-15**).