

The People I Saw in Hell

In 1998, God gave me a life changing vision of hell. I receive so many questions about my experience from people all over the world. One of the things that I'm often asked is, "Who did you see in hell?"

I know there are others who say they've had a similar experience and mention specific people they saw in hell. Some say they saw children, and some say they encountered celebrities. Some also share that they observed Christians who didn't tithe or women who wore jewelry or colored their hair. I saw none of this.

In fact, none of those claims could be true because none of them are biblically accurate. People go to hell only because they reject the saving name of Jesus Christ. Choosing not to tithe will not send a person to hell. Jewelry, hair, makeup or any type of clothing will not send a person to hell. These outward acts are not the reason people go to hell.

The people I observed in hell were nameless and faceless. These people looked like skeletons. I didn't know their history, their politics or their skin color. I did not know if they were someone famous or a beggar from the streets. No matter who they were, it didn't matter. Each of them was truly alone amid a sea of tormented souls. They have no purpose, no identity; they are forgotten.

Another thing I want to make very clear is that children are not in hell according to the Scriptures. Jesus said in Matthew 19:14, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." He also said in Matthew 18:3, "Except you be converted and become as little children, you shall not enter the kingdom of Heaven."

During my time in hell, I could see the outlines of people through the flames. From the outlines I saw that they seemed

to be fully-grown or adult in size. In addition, the screams I heard were not the screams of children; they were mature voices. I will say that I also had an impression, an unexplainable internal feeling, that there were no children there.

I'm reminded of the devastation of the Twin Towers at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. Rather than face the 2,000-degree heat, some people decided to leap out of a window. Those people chose to plummet to their death rather than face the intensity of the flames for even 15 seconds. According to the Bible, hell is deep down in the earth, and scientists say it is 12,000 degrees at the earth's core. Try to imagine this state of existence for those in hell and the fear that never ceases for even one second. This isn't just for 15 seconds but for all eternity, and there is no way to escape it.

Each of us must know for certain that we will not end up like the desperate souls I witnessed in hell. We must warn others of this horrifying place and share the message of Jesus Christ with them. {eoa}

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