GOD'S WORD

WATER, DEMONS, HELL, AND HEAVEN

Where is hell?

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E SEE, IN SCRIPTURE, that disembodied demons seek out dry places, and avoid water. Water appears to be the location of hell, where demons are sent.

5 Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof. 6 Hell is naked before Him, and destruction hath no covering.

Job 26:5-6 The BIBLE

16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?

17 Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?

Job 38:16-17 The BIBLE

14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Psalm 69:14-15 The BIBLE

The Bible tells us that with the Flood of Noah God punished/destroyed all people, but eight, with water. These flood waters destroyed the giants born through the union of demons and women,¹ and all who were possessed by demons. Thus expelled from the now-dead people they had possessed, the demons were sent by God to a prison hell separated from man to await eternal judgment;² God had established His practice of sending earth-bound demons to a hell in watery depths. Jesus continued this.

4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

II Peter 2:4-6 The BIBLE

6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Jude 1:6-7 The BIBLE

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¹ Genesis 6:4-8

² I Peter 3:18-20

Having disembodied those demons from the people they had possessed before the Flood, God washed the demons to the bottom of the waters, and kept them there, away from man. Consequently, demons on earth now do their utmost to avoid the deeps and the torment they're subjected to there, awaiting torment at the End of Time in the lake of fire. Knowing that their fellows have already been relegated to chains in dark waters, they seek out the dry places – the areas of earth completely opposite.

24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

25 And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished.

26 Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

Luke 11:24-26 The BIBLE

Wandering Through the Dry Places and the Wilderness

Animistic, and so intimately concerned with the spirit world, as they are, Native Indians are very conscious of the presence of 'spirits' (demons) in their wilderness environment. The Pacific Northwest of North America is particularly 'rich' in such stories. Hot, dry deserts in places like Canada's British Columbia are permeated with Native American stories of land and even lake monsters. One non-Native town there is even named after a demon!³

We see from Scripture that demons also tend to inhabit the wilderness, dry or not.

21 But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and SATYRS⁴ shall dance there.

22 And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons in their pleasant palaces: and her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

Isaiah 13:21-22 The BIBLE

14 The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the SATYR⁴ shall cry to his fellow; the 'screech owl' also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.

Isaiah 34:14 The BIBLE

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³ "Naramata," the name of a supposed Indian princess seen in a dream by a <u>Spiritualist</u> who was instrumental in settling the Okanagan Valley in the 19th century, and also named another town, "Summerland," which is the name of the Spiritualist religion's heaven.

⁴ A demonic creature; in Greek mythology, a licentious half man/half animal

⁵ ק'לִית (lilit) The Hebrew word appears only once in the entire Hebrew Bible, here in Isaiah 34:14. Because it's a hapax legomenon (a one-time word), its meaning is debated. In Near Eastern lore, it is often a being associated with evil. Most scholars agree that lilit refers to a night creature - a being associated with the night, darkness, or desolate places. Many English Bibles translate it as "night creature," "night bird," "screech owl," or "night monster." www.Biblehub.com/q/who is lilith in the bible.htm

29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

Luke 8:29 The BIBLE

Natives in British Columbia will tell how 'Sasquatch' (otherwise known around the world as: 'Bigfoot'/'Skunk Ape'/'Yeti,' etc.) can appear as anything, or imitate the cries of the animals of the forest; the Natives are under no delusions that Sasquatch is merely physical. (As witnessed in cases of demonic possession, the creature is excessively malodorous.) British Columbia's coastal Kwakwaka'wakw tribe claim that 'Bakwas' is the ghost king of the forest and that 'Sisiutl' is a double-headed serpent of power. Animals of the wilderness such as wolves, bear, ravens, and salmon, are said to be not only animals, but also spirits. 'Hamat'sa' spirits are beings tied to winter ceremonies. But all these, "spirits," are in fact demons.

Native prayers to 'their spirits' actually invoke and invite their presence. This author prefers to not even speak the names of these, 'spirits' as even just one's presence in a ceremony that invokes the presence, appeasement, or involvment of such 'spirits' is enough to invite the demon's presence, and <u>Christians</u> who are sensitive to the spirit world can be visited by demons afterward. Even just speaking the name of a demon can summon it. And, of course, we are commanded to not mention their names.

The Arabs speak of 'Jinns,' ⁸ who inhabit the dry places of their deserts, and for that reason they fear certain locations there in particular. It's no coincidence that the wilderness was the location into which Jesus was directed, to be tempted of the devil. Afterward, Jesus was ministered to by angels⁹ who must have been doing battle against those demons during His temptation, much as they had battled on behalf of Daniel as he drew closer to God.¹⁰

Exodus 23:13, Joshua 23:7 The BIBLE

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call Me Ishi; and shalt call Me no more Baali.

17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.

Hosea 2:16-17 The BIBLE

2 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.

Zechariah 13:2 The BIBLE

17 They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.

Deuteronomy 32:17 The BIBLE

⁶ www.Micaiah.com/sinandspirits.htm

⁷ 13 And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

 $^{^{8}}$ جنّ (jinn) = singular collective term; جنّ ($jinn\bar{i}$) = a single male jinn

⁹ Matthew 4:11

¹⁰ Daniel 10:12-13

Water, Where Demons Are Sent

When cast out by Jesus, demons sometimes begged to be sent, rather, into swine, to enable them to continue inhabiting the dry places (in contrast to actual water, any place is, "dry/er.") But this attempted clever ploy was always of course unsuccessful, as they ended up in the deep, anyhow. As Jesus Is the source of life, the demonic is inherently conducive to death, and will tend to cause destruction to its host:

27 And when He (Jesus) went forth to land, there met Him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs.

28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God Most High? I beseech Thee, torment me not.

29 (For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

31 And they be sought Him that He would not command them to go out into the deep.

32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought Him that He would suffer them to enter into them. And He suffered them. 33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and **the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake**, and were choked.

Luke 8:27-33 The BIBLE

28 And when He was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God? **art Thou come hither to torment us before the time**? ¹¹

30 And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

31 So the devils besought Him, saying, If Thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine.

32 And He said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, **the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters**.

Matthew 8:28-32 The BIBLE

Waters have always been associated with demons. World-wide, there are stories of water spirits of various names and characteristics. While some demons yet wander the dry land, and are known by names

¹¹ 12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth **and of the sea!** for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time. **Revelation 12:12 The BIBLE**

such as 'Yeti,' 'Sasquatch,' 'Skunk Ape,' 'Ghillie,' etc., some have already been sent into the waters and are known as 'Mermaids,' 'Sirens,' 'Nymphs,' 'Undines,' 'Water Goddesses,' Scottish 'Loch Ness Monster,' Greek 'Naiads,' European 'Sprites,' etc.

Jesus will appear on a spirit horse,¹² and, often, spirits on earth are depicted as horses, with stories abounding globally of water spirit horses. Scotland, for instance, claims 'Each-Uisges,' 'Nuckelavees,' and 'Kelpies,' which can appear as persons or horses.¹³ Beautiful Greek 'Sirens,' and spirit horses across Europe and Scandinavia, are said to lure victims to their watery deaths – again, we see how the demonic is conducive to death rather than life. In Canada's Okanagan desert, which is at the Northern end of the Great Sonoran Desert, Skaha Lake ('Skaha' is the local Native tribe's name for 'horse') is said, by a local Native band, to be inhabited by a white spirit horse that sometimes briefly comes ashore, followed by a herd of similar spirit horses, to lure people to their death. The area's nearby Okanagan Lake is said to be inhabited by an enormous water serpent, Ogopogo. The Kwakwaka'wakw, one of the tribes on the Province's coast, claim that 'Pugwis' is a water spirit, with a skeletal face.

Some nuclear submariners tell stories of how the bowels of their great boats seem to have spirits, seen often enough to make men reluctant to visit their less-walked corridors;¹⁴ the liquid element, chosen by God to imprison and help keep evil spirits away from man, is now in fact being travelled by man.

In the Last Days there will be periods of time during which God will *temporarily* release demons from the waters, enabling them to return and torment man.

1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and **saw a beast rise up out of the sea**, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Revelation 13:1 The BIBLE

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Revelation 16:12-14 The BIBLE

¹² In Zechariah 1:8-11; 6:1-8 horses depict the spirits, "... the four spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth" - Zechariah 6:1-5. The armies of heaven will return with Jesus, all on white spirit horses, defeating, once-and-for-all, the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies. - Revelation 19:19. Horses, and especially white ones, are often included in depictions of spiritual beings.

¹³ 14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

II Corinthians 11:14 The BIBLE

¹⁴ https://www.youtube.com/shorts/IT7zFWIY3eA

- 14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, **Loose the four angels which** are bound in the great river Euphrates.
- 15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.
- 16 And the number of **the army of the horsemen** were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.
- 17 And thus I saw **the horses in the vision**, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the **heads of the horses were** as **the heads of lions**; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.
- 18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.
- 19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

Revelation 9:14-19 The BIBLE

- (1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.
- 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,
- 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.)
- 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.
- 5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.
- 6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.
- 7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,
- 8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.
- 9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.
- 10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 20:1-15; 21:1-2 The BIBLE

God punished the earth soon after the beginning of time, by water, Noah's flood, but will punish and purge the earth at the end of time by fire. In illustration of this, God even now punishes demons by incarcerating them in water; afterward, He will eventually and finally relegate them to an eternity in fire.

6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Jude 1:6-7 The BIBLE

5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the Word of God the heavens were of old, and **the earth standing out of the water and in the water:**

6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same Word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

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10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

II Peter 3:5-7,10 The BIBLE

Jonah was a figure of Christ. Jesus used Jonah's experience as an illustration of Himself and His own work for man. 15

40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Matthew 12:40 The BIBLE

¹⁵ Matthew 12:39-41; 16:4; Luke 11:29-32

Just as Jonah went down into the depths of the ocean for three days and three nights, ¹⁶ in a similtude of death, as an illustration of Jesus' future death on the cross and three days in hell/the Bottomless Pit, so, also, Jesus Himself did indeed go down into the Bottomless Pit for three days and three nights.

18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: 19 By which also He went and preached unto the spirits in prison; ¹⁷ 20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, **eight souls were saved by water.**

21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

I Peter 3:18-21 The BIBLE

Water, therefore, since The Flood, symbolizes death, and is used to put to death the demonic.¹⁸ This is why it is used in baptism, symbolizing the death of the Old Man¹⁹ at salvation. So, while John, who represented the Law,²⁰ baptized with water, Jesus, Who brings grace and salvation,²¹ baptizes with the Holy Ghost, and Fire,²² and never baptized with water.²³

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Colossians 2:12 The BIBLE

¹⁶ Jonah 1:17

¹⁷ I Peter 4:5-6 Those individuals plunged into excessive evil and sin by immanent demons

¹⁸ 12 Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with Him through the faith of the operation of God, Who hath raised Him from the dead.

¹⁹ Ephesians 4:21-24; Colossians 3:9-10

²⁰ Matthew 11:13; Luke 16:16

²¹ John 1:14,17

²² Matthew 3:11; Luke 3:16

²³ John 4:2

The Pit and Hell

"Hell," "The Pit," "The Bottomless Pit," are names for the same place,

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Isaiah 14:15 The BIBLE

A place of punishment.

27 ... Their punishment shall be upon their bones

Ezekiel 32:27 The BIBLE

23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

Luke 16:23-24 The BIBLE

44 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

Mark 9:44, 46, 48 The BIBLE

33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Matthew 23:33 The BIBLE

4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

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9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

II Peter 2:4,9 The BIBLE

There is a demon over Hell.²⁴

The First Death

In contrast with the later eternal <u>Lake of Fire</u>, <u>the Second Death</u>, ²⁵ the Pit and Hell are the First Death. It will last <u>until the thousand years are finished</u>, and shortly after, hell and the sea will be destroyed.

Revelation 9:11b Those in hell have a king over them, which is the angel (demon) of the bottomless pit, "... whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, (a Hebrew word meaning "destruction" or "doom") but in the Greek tongue (the Greek translation, meaning "Destroyer") hath his name Apollyon."

Revelation 11:7 The BIBLE

²⁴ **DEMON OVER HELL**

⁷ And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

²⁵ Revelation 2:11; 20:6,14; 21:8

Hell and The Pit In the Bottom of the Earth

18 Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down, even her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto **the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit.**

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24 There is Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which are gone down uncircumcised into **the nether parts of the earth**, which caused their terror in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame **with them that go down to the pit**.

Ezekiel 32:18, 24 The BIBLE

13 For great is Thy mercy toward me: and Thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell.

Psalms 86:13 The BIBLE

Many years before Jesus, Jonah thought he was commisssioned by God to be merely a prophet to the most evil empire of the time; little did he realize that he was intended to ultimately be a type/illustration/prophecy of Jesus Himself! As Jonah was literally in the depths of the sea, so was Jesus literally in the depths of hell, which, in many passages of Scripture that we have seen is stated to be in the depths of the ocean. And the Book of Revelation continues the narrative, literally. While some Scriptural passages are figurative, ²⁶ many that speak of the First and Second deaths, throughout Scripture, are intended to be understood literally.

Water is very often spoken of in conjunction with hell and the pit.

- 5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;
- 6 **The sorrows of hell compassed me about**; the snares of death prevented me; **II Samuel 22:5-6 The BIBLE**
- 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

Revelation 20:13 The BIBLE

15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Psalm 69:15 The BIBLE

- 3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.
- 4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man that hath no strength:
- 5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more: and they are cut off from thy hand.

²⁶ 2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isaiah 43:2 The BIBLE

6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted me **with all thy waves**. Selah. **Psalm 88:3-7 The BIBLE**

19 For thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and **great waters shall cover thee**;

20 When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in the land of the living;

Ezekiel 26:19-20 The BIBLE

- 1 Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,
- 2 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and He heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and Thou heardest my voice.
- 3 For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.

 Jonah 2:1-3 The BIBLE
- 4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

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9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

II Peter 2:9 The BIBLE

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Lake of Fire (and Brimstone)

The Second Death

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Matthew 25:46 The BIBLE

The final punishment, the Lake of Fire, wasn't created for man; it was intended for the demons(angels) who left their first place, heaven, and rebelled against God. If any man goes to the Lake of Fire it is only because he insists upon it, rejecting Jesus' death on the cross for him, and the kingship of God.

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Matthew 25:41 The BIBLE

8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Revelation 17:8 The BIBLE (Isaiah 14)

7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, 8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20:7-15 The BIBLE

One cannot pass between hell and heaven.²⁷

Luke 16:26 The BIBLE

²⁷ 26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.

Heaven

As regards heaven, (when): Scripture speaks of heaven, It speaks of two types: i) the present, temporary, "holding location," and ii) the future New Heavens and New Earth. Regarding its location (where), the Bible tells us there at least three:

1) The sky above us²⁸

6 Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.

Nehemiah 9:6 The BIBLE

2) God's 'dwelling place;'/Heaven of Heavens²⁹

27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

I Kings 8:27 The BIBLE

3) **The Third Heaven** (possibly #2, God's 'dwelling place'?), to which Paul was taken briefly.³⁰ **Paradise/Paradise of God, Abraham's Bosom**, the temporary³¹ place to which Christians ascend to await Christ's second coming.³²

43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Luke 23:43 The BIBLE

2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.

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4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

II Corinthians 12:4 The BIBLE

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:7 The BIBLE

²⁸ Deuteronomy 33:26; Matthew 16:2-3

²⁹ Deuteronomy 10:14; I Kings 8:27; II Chronicles 2:6, 6:18; Nehemiah 9:6; Revelation 4, 5

³⁰ II Corinthians 12:2-6

³¹ John 14:2-3

³² Luke 23:43; II Corinthians 12:4; Revelation 2:7

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Revelation 20:4-5 The BIBLE

4) The New Heavens, 33 with the New Jerusalem 34

13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

II Peter 3:13 The BIBLE

1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Revelation 22:1-2 The BIBLE

When the new heaven and earth are revealed after the Great White Throne Judgment, and Hell/The Pit is thrown into the Lake of Fire, naturally, the sea, which was the/an entrance into it, will be no more.

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 21:1-2 The BIBLE

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³³ Isaiah 65:17; 66:22; II Peter 3:13

³⁴ Revelation 3:12; 21:2

Summary

Jesus has the keys to heaven and hell, both.³⁵ When a person dies they go to either a preliminary/first Heaven,³⁶ which is a preliminary/first reward, or else to The Pit/Hell, which is a preliminary/first punishment. After Christ returns at the End of Time/Day of Judgment He will judge ALL those in either of those above^{37 38 39} from His white throne. Those in the first Heaven will then be transferred to the final/second Heaven/New Jerusalem.⁴⁰ Those in The Pit/Hell will be cast into the Lake of Fire.⁴¹

- 12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- 13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
- 14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
- 15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

Revelation 22:12-15 The BIBLE

II Peter 2:9 The BIBLE

18 I Am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I Am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

Revelation 1:18 The BIBLE

John 5:22; 12:48

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46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Matthew 25:31-33, 46 The BIBLE

³⁵ 9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

³⁶ Luke 23:43

³⁷ II Peter 2:9

³⁸ Revelation 20:11

³⁹ 31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

³² And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:

³³ And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

⁴⁰ Revelation 3:12, 21:2

⁴¹ Revelation 20:13-14