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16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

#### **Question:**

What happens to the unsaved when they die?

#### **Focal Truth:**

The unsaved, after death, suffer eternal destruction in hell.

1. Whoever does not believe in the Lord Jesus Christ eternally perishes.

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- The unsaved are perishing while they are living in their sin. – 1 Cor. 1:18
- The unsaved are perishing while they ignore the call to repent of sin. – Luke 13:3
- The unsaved are perishing, headed for eternal destruction after they die. – Matt. 7:13

2. Those who perish will suffer the eternity of hell.

If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life crippled, than, having your two hands, to go into hell, into the unquenchable fire...

...where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched. Mark 9:43,48

- Where the worm never dies and the fire never goes out – Mark 9:48
- These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction. 2 Thess. 1:9
- These will go away to eternal punishment. – Matt. 25:46
- Than having two hands, to go into hell, the unquenchable fire – Mark 9:43

3. Those who perish will suffer the eternal pain of hell.

In Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his bosom. Luke 16:23

- Conscious pain of loss
- Conscious pain of senses

   Intolerable pain Luke 16:23
   Unceasing pain Luke 16:24
   Hopeless pain Matt. 13:42
   Angry pain Matt. 13:42
   Fearful pain Matt. 22:13

# 4. Those who perish will experience the reality of hell.

.... for I have five brothers—in order that he may warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment. Luke 16:28

- Eternal awareness of hell Luke 16:28
- Eternal sentence of hell Rev. 20:15

But those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ will have eternal life, not eternal destruction!

### **Daily Use:**

- Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved or perish!
- Fear God who sends unbelievers to hell.
- God is patient. He does not desire for any to perish but to repent.
- Think about your loved ones, friends, and strangers who will go to hell if they aren't saved!
- Plead and beg your friends and family to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved!

