

**Conversation/Chapter 4: How can a loving God send people to hell?**

63. "There's no denying that hell is a very \_\_\_\_\_ topic... But the Bible undeniably speaks of hell as a \_\_\_\_\_ ... But hell is too serious a topic to leave to the \_\_\_\_\_ of our kids' \_\_\_\_\_."
64. What are the three categories ("layers") of questions that underly the "one big objection"?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_  
c. \_\_\_\_\_
65. What are the two big problems with the complaint that a loving God would not send anyone to hell?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_
66. "We expect a penalty for breaking \_\_\_\_\_ laws, so why wouldn't we expect a penalty for breaking \_\_\_\_\_ laws?"
67. In addition to God being perfectly loving, He is also perfectly \_\_\_\_\_. "Justness is the quality of \_\_\_\_\_ conferring deserved \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ against a \_\_\_\_\_ of right and wrong."
68. So, "If sin is \_\_\_\_\_, and God is \_\_\_\_\_, there must be a \_\_\_\_\_ for that sin."
69. Sure, hell might be just for people like Hitler, but ... "People who lie, lose their temper, and live more selfishly than they should? We [most of us] think these people deserve something more like an \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_."
70. Why is this "a misguided idea"?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ – *Romans 3:23*  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ – *Romans 6:23*
71. Extra credit: Do you agree that the two passages in Luke and Revelation support the idea that there will be different levels of punishment for different levels of sin? Why or why not?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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72. "While these passages may suggest different levels of punishment, the overwhelming \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ is on \_\_\_\_\_ hell altogether."
73. Extra credit: Does the Bible also support the idea that there will be different levels of reward in Heaven? Why or why not?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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74. How does the Bible describe hell? "Jesus referred to hell as a \_\_\_\_\_ place to be avoided at all costs— an \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 9: 48-49), an \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 22: 13), a \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 13: 42), a place of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 8: 12), and a place of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 10: 28)."
75. There are many opinions on the true nature of hell. What are the three basic views and what is the basic belief of each:
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
76. C S Lewis: "There are only two kinds of people – those who say 'Thy will be done' to \_\_\_\_\_ and those to whom \_\_\_\_\_ says, 'Thy will be done.' All that are in Hell choose it."
77. Extra Credit: Who deserves to be in hell?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Conversation/chapter 5: How can God judge people who have never even heard about Jesus?**

78. The implied claim of those who raise this objection is really this: "If God exists, He must be \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore there must be \_\_\_\_\_ paths to \_\_\_\_\_, since not everyone will hear about Jesus."
79. The problem with religious pluralism is that their "\_\_\_\_\_ claims cannot \_\_\_\_\_ all point to \_\_\_\_\_ truth. [Therefore] legitimizing religious pluralism is not the answer to this chapter's questions..."
80. The real answer is that "We \_\_\_\_\_ know for \_\_\_\_\_", but the Bible does provide some insight.
81. 'General Revelation': What God revealed through the \_\_\_\_\_ **world** and our **moral** \_\_\_\_\_. Every person is accountable for acknowledging this level of revelation. In what two passages does Paul explain these truths and what is the key idea in each?

**a. Romans 1:19-20 -**

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**b. Romans 2:14-15 -**

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82. "In other words, the Bible says there are no people who are \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_ and moral \_\_\_\_\_."
83. 'Special Revelation': What God Reveals by \_\_\_\_\_ Means
84. It's not possible to know the full truth of God's plan if you only have "\_\_\_\_\_ Revelation". Special Revelation includes what God reveals to us through the \_\_\_\_\_ and through \_\_\_\_\_. ... The Bible clearly reveals that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ Savior of the world.
85. We already know what happens to one group of people who [had] access to God's general revelation but not his special revelation of Jesus. That group is called the Old Testament "\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_". What does Hebrews 11 tell us about these people?
- a. God has "\_\_\_\_\_ for them a \_\_\_\_\_" - Heb 11:13,16

86. The first three chapters of \_\_\_\_\_ explain that “no one is made righteous by \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_; ... The only way anyone can be made righteous is by accepting God’s \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ —a gift made possible by Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_.”
87. So, that explains how the Old Testament saints are saved. God’s sacrifice of Jesus on the cross applies \_\_\_\_\_ because of their faith in God’s promises.
88. Regarding others who do not know of Jesus, \_\_\_\_\_ believe God does \_\_\_\_\_ provide salvation to those who don’t hear about Jesus and come to faith in Him before they die, with possible exceptions for \_\_\_\_\_ who die young or the mentally handicapped.
89. \_\_\_\_\_ believe those who haven’t heard about Jesus can be saved if they respond to God in faith based on His \_\_\_\_\_ revelation.” ... [They] believe that if general revelation is enough to \_\_\_\_\_ a person (Romans 1:19-20), it must also be enough to \_\_\_\_\_ a person.”
90. Extra credit: Some also believe that God, in His perfect knowledge, knows which of those who have not been reached **would have accepted** the Gospel **if** it had been presented to them. Do you think it is possible that a native American, living in the 8<sup>th</sup> century, might be saved through his or her recognition of God’s general revelation and belief in the “Great Spirit”? If so, is this “inclusivism” or “pluralism”?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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91. “There are many \_\_\_\_\_ about God, our lives, and eternity that we simply don’t have clear answers to in the Bible. That’s okay. The fact that there are questions we can’t answer with certainty doesn’t detract from the \_\_\_\_\_ of what we do know: God is perfectly **just**, so we can be confident He’ll do what is \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ day.”
92. Extra credit: How should you respond to someone who questions whether God will send people to hell because they never heard the gospel? For example, primitive natives who died without ever hearing anything about Jesus and the gospel.
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