

# A Pay Phone in Idaho & Revelation's Lake of Fire

Text Guide #13

**1 John 4:18** God is love. Anything He does must therefore demonstrate His love.

## When will hell-fire burn?

**Mt. 13:36-50** At the end of the world.

**2 Pet. 2:9** The wicked are *reserved* until judgment day.

**2 Tim. 4:1** God's judgment day is at Christ's appearing when He comes again.

## Where will hell-fire burn?

**Rev. 20:9** It takes place on the earth.

**Prov. 11:31** The wicked will be punished on the earth.

**2 Pet. 3:7** God is keeping all in store to burn at the end of the world.

## How long will hell-fire burn?

**Rom. 6:23** The wages of sin is *death*, not everlasting life in hell.

**Ps. 37:9-11, 20** The wicked shall not be. They shall perish and consume into smoke.

**Ps. 68:2** The wicked shall perish as wax before a fire.

**Ps. 104:35** Sinners will be consumed and the wicked shall be no more.

**Mal. 4:1-3** The wicked shall be as stubble, the fire shall burn them up and they will be ashes under our feet in the day God does this.

**Rev. 20:9** As the wicked try to overtake the holy city, fire comes down from God out of heaven and devours them (v 14). This is the second death.

**Ezk. 28:18-19** The devil will be devoured by fire, brought to ashes, and will be no more.

## But what about...

**Rev. 20:10** **Forever and ever.** Rev 20:9 says hell-fire devours the wicked. Verse 10 seems to say the opposite. How long is forever and ever? 1 Sam. 1:22, 28 says "forever" means as long as Samuel lived. In Jonah 2:6, "forever" was three days and three nights. In Ps. 48:14, "forever and ever" means until death. Isa. 47:14 says when the fire burns the wicked like stubble and goes out there won't be a coal to warm yourself at or any fire at all.

**Mark 9:43-44** **Unquenchable fire.** In Jer. 17:27 God said if the people refused to obey, He would burn Jerusalem with unquenchable fire. It happened in 2 Chron. 36:19 -21. Is Jerusalem still burning? No! "Unquenchable" simply means beyond anyone's power to quench while it burns.

**Matt. 25:41-46** **Everlasting fire and punishment.** Jude v7 says Sodom and Gomorrha burned with eternal fire. Obviously there are not still burning now. 2 Pet. 2:6 says these cities burned to ashes as an example of what will happen to the wicked at the end of the world. Nahum 1:9 says that when the wicked are devoured as stubble, affliction (sin) will never arise again. Ezk. 33:11 says God has no pleasure in the death of the wicked. He longs for all to turn from sin and live.