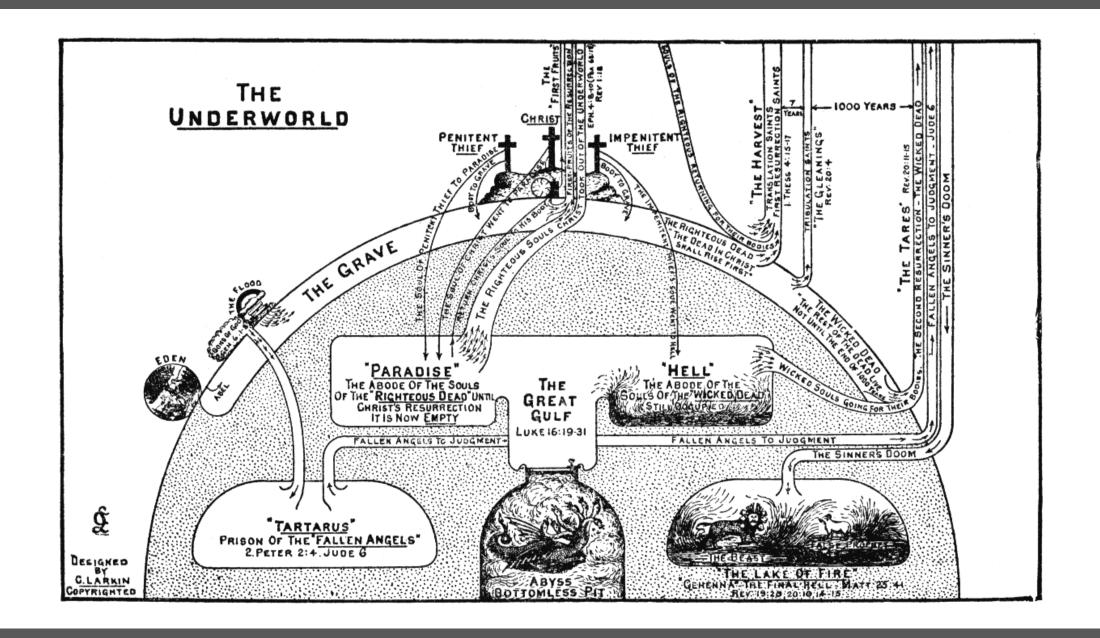
Jonah Week 12

The Sign of Jonas

We saw Jonah's soul saved from hell and his body saved from corruption.

Jon 2:6 I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God.

JONAH



Hell:

- Used 53 times: 32 times in the Old Testament and 21 in the New.
 - Sheol (Hebrew)—OT hell is sheol.
 - Hades (Greek)--NT hell
 - Gehenna

Sheol

• Jon 2:2 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.

Hell here is sheol. The root word is "to inquire" or "to demand".
Think about it like this:

• **Pro 27:20** Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

Sheol

• Sheol: Physically located "Under the earth," "underworld" "lower parts of the earth."

(Ps 63:9; Isa 14:9; 44:23; Ezek 26:20; 31:14,16,18; 32:18,24.)

Psa 63:9 But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it*, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

It is the abode of the dead—both good and bad.

Sheol

- **Gen 37:35** And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.
- Grave here=Sheol: Not "Grave" as we think about it (Joswph's body eaten—did not have it).
- Translated "Hades" as well.
- **Psa 16:10** For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

Wicked generations seek a sign.

JONAH

(28) But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it. (29) And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.

JONAH

Luke 11:28-29

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

JONAH

1 Thess 2:13

- (38) Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.
- (39) But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

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Matt 12:38-39

•Let's have a believing attitude. There are some who come with a <u>heart</u> of unbelief (Heb 3:12).

• Heb 3:12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

Luke 16:19-31

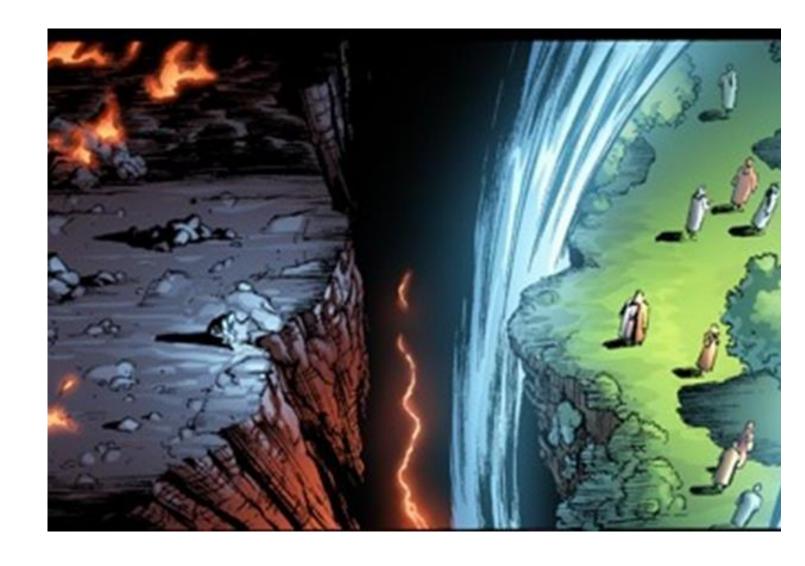
Luk 16:29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

Luk 16:30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

Luk 16:31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.



If people reject the Word of God as God gave it then they will not believe it if Lazarus rises up from the grave, resurrected from the dead, and tells them to repent!



John 11:43-46

Interestingly, a man named <u>Lazarus</u> did rise from the dead, and some who saw it believed.

- Joh 11:43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.
- Joh 11:44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.
- Joh 11:45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.
- Joh 11:46 But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.