

Hell the Eternal Home of the Doomed:

The Old Testament Hebrew word She-ol means the grave or unseen state and is translated into English as hell such as cf:

Psalm 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, [*and*] all the nations that forget God.

Isaiah 5:13-14 Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because [*they have*] no knowledge: and their honourable men [*are*] famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst. 14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

Sheol is translated into New Testament Greek as Hades meaning the abode of the dead and is translated into English as hell such as cf:

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

The Greek New Testament word Ge-henna meaning the place of punishment is also translated into English as Hell cf:

Luke 12:4-5 And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.⁵ But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

Later close to the close to the age of the Apostles Peter writing to Gentile Christians uses the Greek tar-tar-us also meaning the place of punishment to describe Hell cf:

II Peter 2:4 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;

Deuteronomy 29:29 The secret [*things belong*] unto the LORD our God: but those [*things which are*] revealed [*belong*] unto us and to our children for ever, that [*we*] may do all the words of this law.

All these words mean the same place which is the place of the dead. During Old Testament times it had 2 parts, torment which was the place of the wicked and or unbelieving dead, separated from Abraham's bosom, the place of the believing dead. Jesus explains this in the Parable of The Rich man & Lazarus cf:

Luke 16:19-31;

The Rebellion of Korah in which Korah went down alive into the pit took place about 1,447 BC cf:

Numbers 16:26-40

Later King David wrote Psalm 88 about 1,000 BC so it had been about 500 years since Korah went down alive into the pit & Psalm 88 is a psalm of Korah in Hell. Korah has been dead almost 500 years & hasn't figured out yet his situation is permanent. cf:

Psalm 88:1-18

John 5:21-29 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth [*them*]; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will. 22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: 23 That all [*men*] should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him. 24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. 25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. 26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; 27 And hath given him authority to execute

judgment also, because he is the Son of man. 28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Matthew 25:31-46