

WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THAT?

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY | PASTOR ELY REYNOLDS | OCTOBER 15, 2025

#6 = QUESTIONS ABOUT GOD AND _____ (God's Justice and Love)

1 Peter 3:15

THE ARGUMENTS

1. Why would God create people knowing that most of them would go to Hell?
2. How could a loving God send people to Hell?

THE ANSWERS

"WHY WOULD GOD CREATE PEOPLE KNOWING THAT MOST WOULD GO TO HELL?"

1. **God foreknowing something does not mean that God _____ something.**
 - a. Just because He knew what would happen, that doesn't mean that He forced it to.
 - b. God did know that people would go to Hell, but He also gave them a _____.
 - c. "Hell is the greatest monument to human freedom." – C. S. Lewis
 - d. 2 Peter 3:9; John 20:31
2. **God takes no _____ in people going to Hell.**
 - a. Ezekiel 33:11; Lamentations 3:33
 - b. In fact, Christ was willing to suffer Hell _____ of everyone. (2 Corinthians 5:21)
3. **God created us for His pleasure and so that we would have the pleasure of _____ Him.**
 - a. Revelation 4:11; Colossians 1:16
 - b. God did not need to create us. He was not lonely. He did not need a friend. We were not created for His amusement or entertainment.
 - c. We were created for _____, not damnation. God's purpose was fellowship and love.
 - d. We were created in His image to share in His _____. (Genesis 1:27)
 - e. God wants us to know and enjoy His presence. (Psalm 16:11)
 - f. Heaven is the full experience of God's presence; Hell is the full _____ of it.

"HOW COULD A LOVING GOD SEND PEOPLE TO HELL?"

1. **God doesn't send people to Hell; people send _____ to Hell.**
 - a. Hell is the result of _____ Christ.
 - b. "The doors of Hell are locked from the inside." – C. S. Lewis
 - c. God gave us free choice and He _____ that choice.
 - d. If someone does not want to be in God's presence, He will not force them into it for eternity.
 - e. Condemnation comes from _____. (John 3:18)
 - f. "There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, 'Thy will be done,' and those to whom God says, 'Thy will be done.'" – C. S. Lewis
 - g. Because God is love, He did not let us all die and go to Hell. He died for us.
 - h. He entered our world to rescue us from the punishment that we earned.
2. **God is love, but God is also _____.**
 - a. If there were no punishment for sin, how could God be just? = How could He be good?
 - b. Most people do not think that _____ deserve Hell.
 - c. But God is the _____. (Romans 6:23)

**When answering these questions, focus on the _____. That is where love and justice meet!
Tell someone this week that Jesus loves them!**