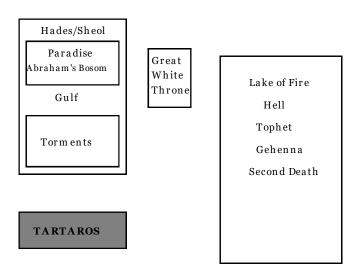
2Ti 2:11-13 2-23-20

1. This morning we will continue the study of Second Timothy where Paul from prison writes to Timothy in Ephesus.

- 2. For an audio presentation of this lesson go to westbankbiblechurch.com and click-on streaming audio of services.
- 3. Before we continue, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may or may not be necessary.
- 4. Paul was well aware that many in Asia had turned away from him. This sad desertion of friends was well known. Instead of being dispirited Paul is urging Timothy to be stimulated, refreshed and renewed by God's Grace.
- 5. We spent most of last week exegeting five Greek words translated Hell. Let's begin where we left-off last week with an explanation of a sixth word "**Hades**" which is also translated "hell."

Summary Points

The Compartments of Hades



6. **Hades/Sheol** is a translation from $\alpha\delta\epsilon\sigma$. **Ades** transliterated is **Hades**. It can be found in Mat 11:23, 16:18; Luk 10:15; 16:23; Acts 2:27-31; 1Co 15:55; Rev 20:13-15.

Mat 11:23 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to **hell**: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

Mat 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.

Luk 10:15 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to **hell**.

Luk 16:23 And in **hell** he (*the Rich Man*) lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

Acts 2:27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul (*David-Ps 16:8-11*) in **hell**, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One (*Christ*) to see corruption ... Acts 2:31 Seeing what was ahead, he (David) spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that the Lord was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay.

1Co 15:55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and **hell** delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

Rev 20:14 And death and **hell** were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

- 7. The Scriptures teach us that Christ went to **Hades** to transport the believers, resident in **Sheol** in the bosom of Abraham, to the New Paradise.
- 8. Whether Christ went first to **Hades** is not known. It is possible He went to **Tartaros** first and then **Hades**. What we do know, with a great deal of certainty, is that He did go to **Sheol** and **Tartaros** during His three days in the grave.
- 9. The trip to **Tartaros** was made to tell the "Genesis Six Gang" "the conflict is over and He is victorious."
- 10. Now for an exegesis of 1T 2:11-13

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2Ti 2:11 It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:

2Ti 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:

2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

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2Ti 2:11 Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him;

2Ti 2:12 if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us;

2Ti 2:13 if we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

10.1 Let's first take a look at verse eleven by way of a review of the *Doctrine* of the Ascension and Seating.

Expanded Translation

2Ti 2:11 Here is a trustworthy saying: Since we died with him, accordingly, we will also will live with him;

- 1. The bodily transfer of the Lord from the earthly to the heavenly sphere makes possible our permanent change of station; thus, the statement "if we died with him, we will live with him.
- 2. The Ascension and Seating is that doctrine of Christology pertaining to the glorification of Jesus in hypostatic union where He sits at the right of the Father in the place of honor.
- 3. Both the Ascension and Seating of our Lord were accomplished in resurrection body. The Ascension of our Lord forms the climax of Jesus' strategic victory in the angelic conflict.
- 4. When the clock struck 11:00 A.M. last week we were in the middle of reviewing several summary points.

Doctrine of the Ascension and Seating

1. The Ascension and Seating was prophesied by our Lord in Joh 6:62.

Joh 6:58 This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your forefathers ate manna and died, but he who feeds on this bread will live forever..." Joh 6:61 Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you?

Joh 6:62 What if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before!

Joh 20:17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

- 2. Objection has been raised concerning the Ascension and Seating by those who approach the record from a purely naturalistic viewpoint.
- 3. They assert that such violation of the law of gravity is unthinkable.
- 4. However, for those who accept the possibility of supernatural intervention in the world, the Ascension and Seating is not a problem.
- 5. Given an omnipotent God, both Resurrection and Ascension are easily conceivable.
- 6. Some view the Ascension and Seating as being merely a symbolical representation of Christ's entrance into divine glory.
- 6.1 This is an attempt to retain the spiritual value of the Ascension account without sacrificing the concept of the natural world as a closed system not susceptible to supernatural intrusion.
- 7. The significance of the Ascension and Seating is manifold.
- 7.1 For Christ Himself the Ascension meant exaltation to a position of glory as the victorious Lord, the Head of the Church; thus, His seating at the right of God in The Place of Honor.

Eph 1:20 which such power He exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, Eph 1:21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

Eph 1:22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

Eph 1:23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Phi 2:9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

7.2 The Ascension and Seating also made possible the coming of the Holy Spirit to indwell the believer as our Helper, to convince of sin and to teach us the Word of God.

Joh 16:7 But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

Joh 16:8 When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment:

Joh 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

Joh 14:26 But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Acts 2:33 Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

7.3 Our Lord is seated with the Father in the heavenlies and we are identified with our Savior in the heavens.

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