



Hell? Yes, It Matters! • Part 1

Lesson 2

"In our shrinking, pluralistic world, the belief that Jesus is the only way of salvation is increasingly called arrogant and even hateful. In the face of this criticism many shrink back from affirming the global necessity of knowing and believing in Jesus." ~ John Piper (Jesus: The Only Way to God, Must You Believe the Gospel to Be Saved?)

The increasing erosion and confusion over the reality of hell and the narrow road to salvation is leading to a lack of conviction and compassion in sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with the lost.

❶ What Is This Series All About? Three Questions in One: *Is Jesus the **only way** to salvation?*

- Q 1 Will **anyone** experience eternal, conscious torment under God's wrath in hell?
- Q 2 Is the work of Jesus **necessary** for salvation?
- Q 3 Is **conscious** faith in Jesus necessary for salvation?

Match the "-ism" with Its Answer

Annihilationism	The "Good News for All in the End" View (or The "Doomed to Be Saved" View)
Universalism	The "Sincerity Is Sufficient for the Savior" View
Pluralism	The "It Will All Be Over Soon" View (or the "Conditional Immortality" View)
Inclusivism	The "Second Chance" View (or the "Death-Does-Not-Seal-Destiny" View)
Post-mortem salvation	The "Burger King: Have It Your Way" View (or the "All Roads Lead to God" View)
Exclusivism	The "Jesus Is the Only Way" View (or the "One Way Out" View)

❶ Where Are We Going with This Series? Create **TENSION** > Surface **CONFUSION** > Detect **EROSION**

- Clear away the confusion and replace it with **conviction** and **compassion** in Christ. Luke 19:10; John 20:21; Mark 10:45
- Stop the erosion with a Christ-like **motivation** to be on mission. Romans 10:8-15

❶ Why Is This Series So Important?

- Believing and obeying the **BIBLE** hangs in the balance. 2Timothy 3:14-17

"If we cut loose from the anchor of God's Word, we will not be free. We will be slaves of personal passions and popular trends." ~ John Piper

- Genuine **LOVE** for God and others hangs in the balance. Romans 13:10; 1Thessalonians 2:14-16

3. The **SALVATION** of people in other religions hangs in the balance. *Romans 1:18-20; 1Timothy 2:5; Acts 4:12; John 14:6; Romans 10:13-15*

4. The **STRENGTHENING** of missionaries hangs in the balance. *Romans 15:20-21; 3 John 5-8*

Eternity Is on the Line Every Day!

Stop the erosion with Christ-like motivation for missional living:

*Share the gospel with the lost locally and globally,
Magnify the necessity of the gospel,
Rescue the perishing,
Glorify Jesus as the only way to God!*