7 Evidences of Life after Death:

1. Nature
2. Anthropology
3. Psychology
4. Ethics
5. Philosophy
6. Science: Near-Death Experience
7. Jesus and the Bible

Conclusion:

The cumulative evidence of nature, psychology, anthropology, science, philosophy, the Bible, the testimony of Jesus and personal experience make belief in an afterlife the most rational, plausible, and intellectually defensible conclusion to the question…“Is there life after death?”
Why I Believe (Part 4)

Straight Answers to Honest Questions about God, the Bible and Christianity

What happens when a person dies?

Four basic truths

1. At death, every person’s soul enters ________________ and ________________ into relational aspects of eternal existence.
   - Jesus’ paradigm of the Afterlife  
     Luke 16:19-31
   - Paul’s paradigm of the Afterlife  
     2 Corinthians 5:1-8
     Philippians 1:22-24

2. One day, everyone will be ________________ and live ________________.
   Acts 24:14-15

3. Every person will be ________________ and granted the “extended capacity” to fulfill in eternity the deepest yearnings and desires of their heart while on earth.
   Hebrews 9:27
   John 5:25-28

4. Every person will spend ________________ in heaven with Christ and fellow believers, or in hell ________________ from God forever.
   Matthew 25:46
   John 5:24
A Preview of Heaven – The Great Adventure:

- God is There  
  Revelation 21:1-3
- Warmth, Beauty, and Light,  
- Wonderful Relationships  
  Hebrews 12:22-24
- Incredible Accommodations  
  John 14:1-3
- A Fresh Start
  - A New Nature  
    1 John 3:2
  - A New Body  
    2 Corinthians 5:1-5
  - A New Vocation  
    Revelation 22:5; 1 Corinthians 6:3
- Rewards  
  Revelation 21-22
- Purpose, Complete Rest, Protection, Commitment, and Peace  
  Revelation 21-22
- Unbridled Joy, Celebration, Worship, and Laughter  
  Matthew 26:29
- Learning, Growing, Friendship, Discovering the Infinite Majesty of God and His Universe (yet unrevealed to us)  
  Revelation 5:8-9
- Forever and ever  
  Revelation 22:5

A Preview of Hell – The Horrible Choice:

- God is Not There  
  2 Thessalonians 1:9
- Punishment and Torment  
  Revelation 14:10-11
- Varying Punishment  
  Matthew 11:21-24
- Outer Darkness  
  Matthew 8:12
- Weeping  
  Matthew 8:12
- Wailing  
  Matthew 13:40-42
- Gnashing of Teeth  
- Forever  
  Hebrews 6:2, Revelation 14:11
Why there must be a Hell:

- Man’s dignity and ____________________ demands a Hell.
- God’s holiness and ____________________ demand a Hell.
- Sin’s ____________________ demands a Hell.
- Evil’s ____________________ demands a Hell.

Conclusion:

Will your eternal future be a blissful ___________ or a horrible ___________?

Discussion Questions:

1. Discuss the various arguments for life after death. Which are the strongest in your opinion? Why?

2. Discuss the four basic truths concerning the Bible’s teaching on life after death. What was “new” to you? What was helpful? What raised questions?


4. What action step of faith do you sense God would have you take in response to this message?