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HEAVEN

- Heaven involves sharing eternity in happiness with the saints while enjoying the “beatific vision”.
- **WHO MAKES IT?** – Those who die in a state of grace and those who have been purified in purgatory.
- There are different degrees of glory – everyone will be perfect, but will differ in beauty and brilliance. (1 Cor. 15)
- **BENEFITS** – Beatific Vision; Seeing God’s face; Sharing His Glory forever; No more sin, sorrow or sufferings; Will be with others like yourself (Nice Souls). Will be everlasting.

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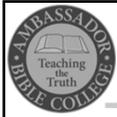
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WILL FOOTBALL BE ALLOWED IN HEAVEN?

“OH, IT’S OKAY-- THAT ONE’S FROM NOTRE DAME!”

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➤ Hell is a place of torment, everlasting fire, everlasting punishment.

➤ WHO GOES THERE? – Those who die in MORTAL SIN. Those with deliberate, willful disobedience.

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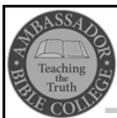


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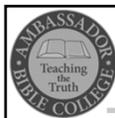
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➤ THE EFFECTS: - Pain of loss – don't get to see God; Share eternity with Satan and his lot of undesirables, Pain of sense – more pain after the general resurrection when the body will feel pain in greater intensity; Punishment will fit the offenses committed; For all eternity

➤ No one gets as much justice as is deserved, but hell satisfies the justice of God.

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➤ For those who die in a state of grace but still have some temporal punishment due to them.

➤ There are no time limits to their stay in purgatory that is known to them or humans.

➤ Residents of purgatory suffer greatly.

➤ They long to be with God.

➤ They are currently deprived of the Beatific Vision.

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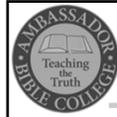
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- Souls in purgatory cannot help themselves. Catholics may help them shorten the undetermined time by prayers, having mass said on their behalf, almsgiving and acts of charity.
- Everyone has a spiritual bank account made up of good works and can transfer some funds to others.
- II MACCABEES 12:45 – is the scriptural support Catholics use.

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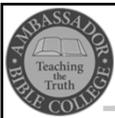
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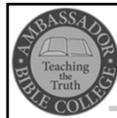
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- **BENEFITS:**
- They will face no more temptation
- They know they will one day be released to heaven
- They will only have to live down the past stain of sin and cannot accumulate any more.

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- When a person dies, the soul is immortal and will be judged. Its two main qualities are: 1. Understanding; 2. Free Will
- TWO TYPES OF JUDGMENT
- 1. Particular – At death the person’s soul is judged while the body remains in the grave. The soul is assigned to heaven, hell or purgatory. (Private affair). (Hebrews 9:27; Romans 14:12)

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- 2. General – At Christ’s second coming, the general resurrection takes place. The body is raised and reunited with the soul and then goes to the assigned place. A public repetition of the reward/punishment. With the body, there is more sense of pain or pleasure. (Luke 8:17; Matthew 25:34, 41)

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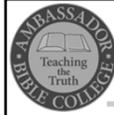
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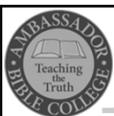
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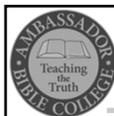
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WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?
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