



THE FUTURE TODAY!

Prophecy Meetings

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Sunday Afternoon Service

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Opening Comments

- Welcome to the **FUTURE TODAY** prophecy meeting
 - Two weeks ago, Randy shared in his message something Elon Musk said.
 - I have a lot of respect for all that Mr. Musk has accomplished.
 - And he is growing in influence within the culture, especially after taking over Twitter.
 - He said, in effect, ‘It would be okay if he ended up in hell’.
 - His justification seems to be, in his words, because that is where most people will end up.
 - That is a very ignorant and dangerous thing to say.
 - He is absolutely right when he says most people will end up there, but he is grossly wrong when he says that it is okay.
 - Turn to **Luke 16**
 - It is not certain if Mr. Musk believes hell is a real place or not.
 - Regardless, he doesn’t understand what hell is.
 - Hell is a real place – a terribly real place.
 - In Luke 16 Jesus gives us glimpse into this hideous place
 - **Luke 16:19-22**
 - Two men living radically different lives.
 - It has always been interesting to me that only one of the men is named.
 - Lazarus ends up in Abraham’s bosom which is a picture of rest and comfort and peace.
 - The unnamed rich man goes to a different place.
 - **Luke 11:23**
 - Hades or hell is not where all the cool people go to spend eternity.
 - It is a place of torments or afflictions.
- affliction (state) n. — a state of great suffering and distress due to adversity.**
- The rich man was not having a great time partying with all his wicked friends.
 - **Luke 11:24**

- Hell is a place of suffering in fire.
- Always burning but never consumed.
- ‘I am tormented’ = in agony
- There was nothing he could do to relieve his agony and torment.
- Unfortunately, there was nothing anyone could do.
- **Luke 16:25-26**
- The rich man had received all the good he would ever enjoy in his life.
- In death there was only torment and suffering forever.
- The rich man seems to accept what Abraham says as truth.
- **Luke 16:27-28**
- The rich man didn’t want his brothers to experience the torment.
- It was not okay with the rich man if his brothers ended up in hell.
- **Luke 16:29-31**
- It would be a mistake to presume that the rich man ended up in hell because he was rich.
- He ended up in hell because he didn’t believe God.
- The Bible has a lot more to say about this terrible place **Revelation**

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The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. ¹⁵ And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

- Lake of fire/Hell is a real and terrible place where all who go there will suffer torments day and night forever.
- That is not God’s will for anyone, including Elon Musk **2 Peter 3:9**
The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.
- To perish in this context means to end up in hell.
- It will be right if someone ends up in hell, but it will never be okay.
- If someone refuses to believe God and repent of their sins, they are rejecting God’s amazing grace and despising Christ’s sacrifice on the cross.
- The only thing left for them is judgment, and that judgment only ends one way – in hell, in torment and suffering forever.
- As believers, we have no fear of judgment or hell.

- We have God’s promise that when our life on this earth ends that we will be carried to heaven to be with Him and Jesus forever where we will experience His glory and the fullness of His presence until long after the stars burn out.
- Pray for Elon Musk – pray for the lost – never be okay with the thought that anyone will end up in hell.
- I have no illusion that Elon Musk might see this and repent, but wouldn’t that be cool if he did. We’re praying for you Elon!
- Pastor Randy will now share!