

# Heaven & Hell

## Class objectives:

- 1) to do a word study and get background material on the few words that are translated heaven (Hebrew 'samayim' & Greek 'ouranos') and hell (Hebrew Sheoul & Greek Hades, Tatarus & Gehenna) so that the student has a good idea of what these words mean.
- 2) for the student to see how the doctrine of heaven/hell is developed chronologically from the OT, into the NT with its final treatment in the book of Revelation.
- 3) as best as possible, to take people thru step-by-step, what happens when they die.
- 4) to show people how the concept of resurrection fits into heaven/hell.
- 5) to see if the modern view of heaven ( as either sitting on clouds or a church praise service 24/7) & hell(as a torture chamber & eternal fire, etc.) is biblically valid.
- 6) to answer several questions such as:  
hell...wouldn't a loving God give us all a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance?...are there levels of punishment in hell?...is hell permanent or temporary?...what is hell like? Is it an eternal fire? Etc.  
Heaven...do we just sit on clouds all the time?...is it an eternal church praise service?...do we know everything or do we keep on learning?...what is heaven like?...who gets to go there & why?

## Description of this class:

Is Hell a torture chamber? Are there levels of punishment in hell? In Heaven, do we really sit around on clouds? Is it a 24/7 church praise & worship service? In this class, we'll strip away modern conceptions of heaven/hell and see what the Bible really says.