

One God? – May 6

Angels – May 13

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Jesus – June 17

Invisible Realm Q&A Panel

**Sunday June 17, 7:30-9pm
@ Brader Way**

Sign up and submit questions online

"I do not myself feel that any person who is really profoundly humane can believe in Everlasting punishment."

-Bertrand Russell - Why I Am Not a Christian and Other Essays on Religion and Related Subject (1957)

Psalm 96:9–13

⁹ Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth.

¹⁰ Say among the nations, “The Lord reigns.”
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity.

¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.

Psalm 96:9–13

¹² Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

¹³ Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Psalm 96:13

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John 5:24

24 "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

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John 5:25-30

²⁵ Very truly I tell you, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. ²⁷ And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. ²⁸ "Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice ²⁹ and come out—those who have done what is good will rise to live, and those who have done what is evil will rise to be condemned. ...

John 5:25-30

³⁰ By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.

Revelation 11:15-18

¹⁵ The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said:

“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.”

¹⁶ And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God,

¹⁷ saying: ...

Revelation 11:15-18

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,
the One who is and who was,
because you have taken your great power
and have begun to reign.

¹⁸ The nations were angry,
and your wrath has come.

The time has come for **judging the dead**,
and for **rewarding your servants** the prophets
and your people who revere your name,
both great and small—
and for destroying those who destroy the earth.”

Revelation 20:11-15

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. ¹³ The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done.

Revelation 20:11-15

¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into **the lake of fire**. **The lake of fire is the second death.** ¹⁵ Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into **the lake of fire**.

Jesus describes Hell - γέεννα (geenna) "lake of fire" – "second death"

- "The fire never goes out...the worm never dies" (Mark 9.43, 48)
- "Soul and body destroyed in hell" (Matthew 10.28)
- "eternal fire" (Matthew 25:41)
- "eternal punishment" (Matthew 25:46)
- "outer darkness" (Matthew 22:13)
- "weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Matthew 22:13)

More New Testament Descriptions

- “blackest darkness reserved forever” (Jude 13)
- “torment for ever and ever...no rest day or night”
(Revelation 14:10-11)
- “punished with everlasting destruction and **shut out from the presence of the Lord** and the glory of his might...”
(2 Thessalonians 1:9)

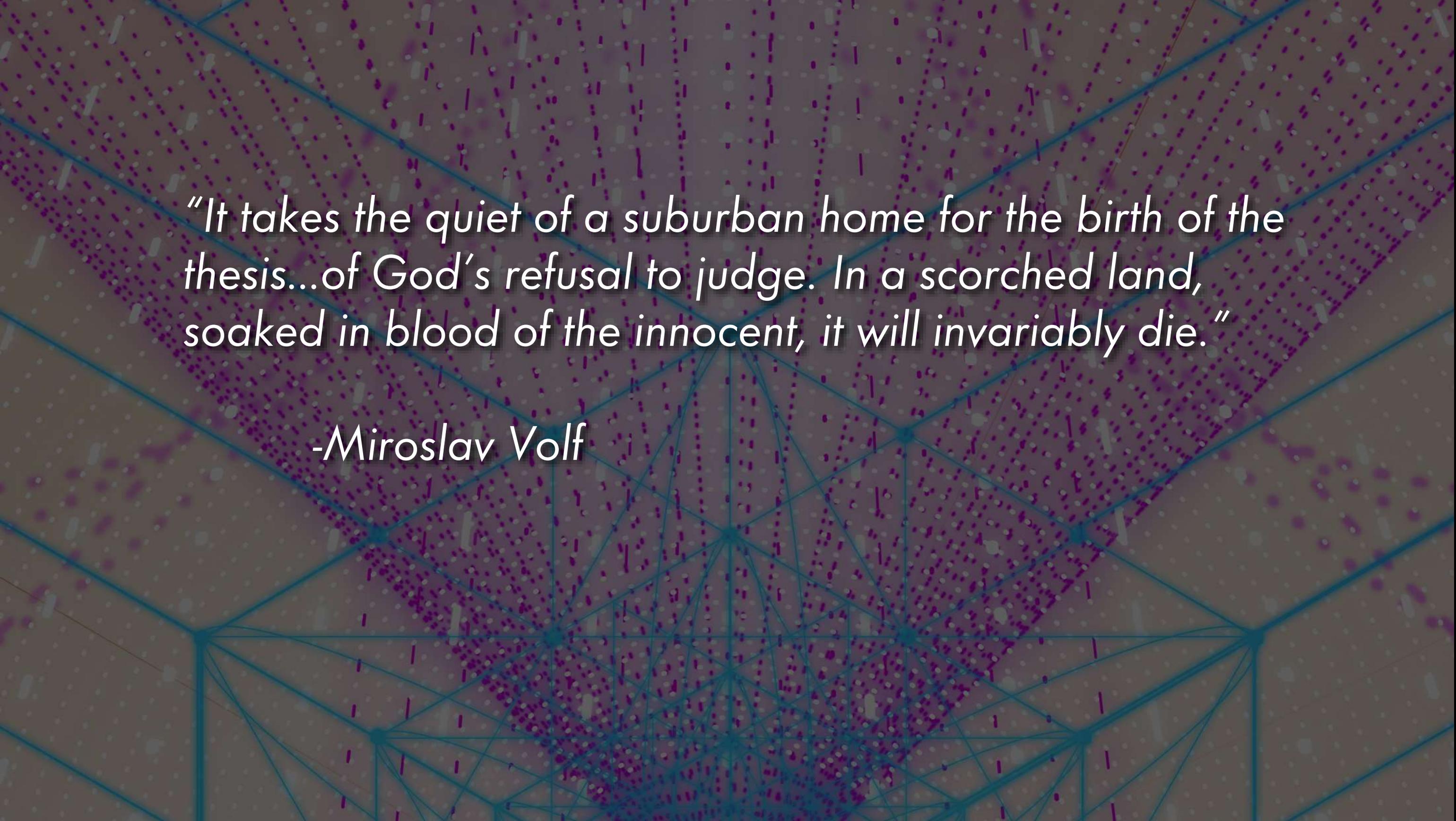
“Most evangelical Christians who believe that hell is a literal place and that its duration is forever do not interpret the fire imagery literally. Well-known figures such as John Calvin, Martin Luther, C.S. Lewis, Billy Graham, D.A. Carson, J.I. Packer, and Sinclair Ferguson all understand the fire images nonliterally.”



Erasing Hell
Francis Chan & Preston Sprinkle

Objections to Hell

- **My God is loving not judgmental**

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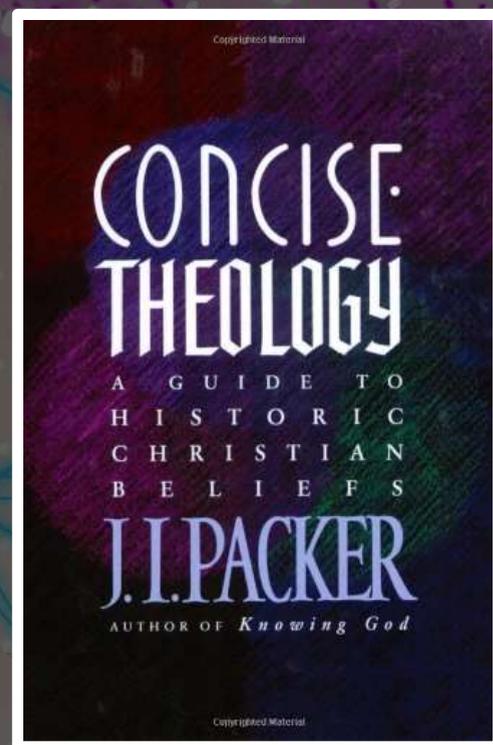
"It takes the quiet of a suburban home for the birth of the thesis...of God's refusal to judge. In a scorched land, soaked in blood of the innocent, it will invariably die."

-Miroslav Volf

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- **Isn't Hell overkill?**

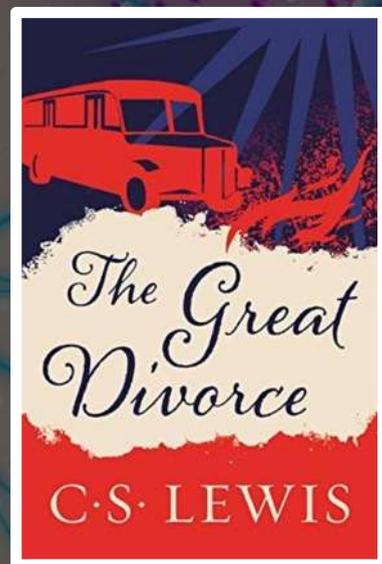
"Hell appears as God's gesture of respect for human choice. All receive what they actually chose, either to be with God forever, worshipping him, or without God forever, worshipping themselves."



J.I. Packer

Concise Theology p.262-263

In the long run, the answer to those who object to the doctrine of hell is itself a question: What is it that they are asking God to do? To wipe out past sins and at all costs and give them a fresh start? He did that, on the cross...To leave them alone? That's what hell is. There are only two kinds of people in the end: Those who say to God "Thy will be done" and those to whom God says in the end, "Thy will be done."



C.S. Lewis

The Great Divorce p.69

2 Peter 3:9

⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, **not wanting anyone to perish**, but everyone to come to repentance.

1 Timothy 2:4

⁴ who **wants all people to be saved** and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Philippians 3:18–19

¹⁸ For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with **tears**, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things.