

I had this encounter/vision that left me with a bunch of questions. During this encounter, I was told the story of Adam and Eve. It was not about the devil trying to deceive Eve. It was about the devil trying to see if God would go back on His word. If God would go back on His word, this may give an opportunity for the devil, fallen angels, and the people in hell a possible second opportunity to get right with God and gain entry back into the kingdom of heaven. Fast forward to my encounter, I had a vision that God kicked me out of Heaven. I was walking around my house without God's love or protection. Later that day, I had a vision of Jesus entering my bedroom when I began to hear other voices and started to panic. Jesus told me those voices were a lie, I rebuked the voices and they left. Then saw Jesus came and rescued me. At this point, I was told I am the only person in the world that God failed to love unconditionally and therefore God went back on His word thus giving people everyone in hell a second chance to gain entry back into Heaven. Is any of this possible? Would God ever go back on His word? If God does go back on His word, would that allow a second chance for people in Hell? After what I experienced, I'm just unsure.

Satan knows that God does not lie (Nu 23:19). He tries to deceive men into believing that there is a second chance to live eternally with God after death (Re 12:9)—there is not. Hell is: *everlasting* fire (Mt 25:41), *everlasting* punishment (Mt 25:46) and *everlasting* destruction (2 Thess 1:9).

To live in heaven (Re 21:27), one must accept Jesus Christ as his Lord and savior (Ac 4:12). This is God's requirement (Jb 42:8, 9). A response to God (Ro 5:8) is necessary (Eze 20:40–44). Those who swear to him deceitfully are disqualified (Ps 24:3–6).

In the late 19th-century a controversy arose at the Andover Theological Seminary in Massachusetts which centered on a second chance for salvation after death. Some professors proposed the concept of a “future probation,” by which individuals who died without hearing the gospel might have a second chance. The dispute led to a decline in enrollment at the seminary.

Jesus preached to evil spirits in Sheol awaiting judgment.

Regarding 1 Peter 3:19¹ John MacArthur wrote:

Between Christ's death and resurrection, His living spirit went to the demon spirits bound in the abyss and proclaimed that, in spite of His death, He had triumphed over them...

[S]pirits in prison. This refers to fallen angels (demons), who were permanently bound because of heinous wickedness. The demons who are not so bound resist such a sentence (cf. Luke 8:31). In the end, they will all be sent to the eternal lake of fire (Matt. ²⁵41; Rev. 20:10).

The Lord had preached to men through Noah.

Regarding 1 Peter 3:20³, J. Vernon McGee wrote:

It was the Spirit of Christ who spoke through Noah in Noah's day. In Christ's day, those who rejected Noah's message were in prison. The thought is that Christ's death meant nothing to

¹ In that state He also went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison [1 Pe 3:19].

² MacArthur, J., Jr., ed. (1997). The MacArthur Study Bible (electronic ed., pp. 1945–1946). Word Pub.

³ Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a-preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water [1 Pet. 3:20].

them just as it means nothing to a great many people today who, as a result, will also come into judgment.⁴

The Bible teaches that humbling oneself must occur on this side of the grave.

⁴ McGee, J. V. (1991). Thru the Bible commentary: The Epistles (1 Peter) (electronic ed., Vol. 54, p. 77). Thomas Nelson.