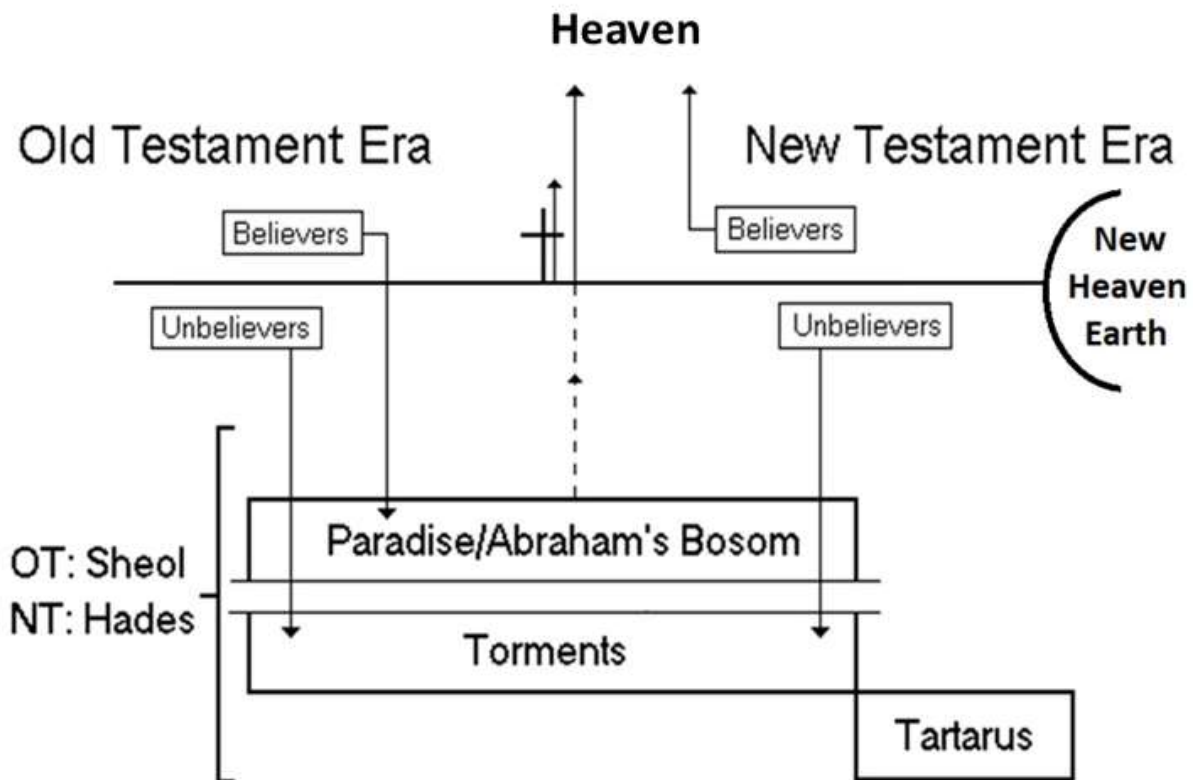


# Life After Death: Past, Present and Future

Paradise, Heaven and the New Heaven/New Earth

Three Questions about Luke 16; Luke 23/Matthew 28; Revelation 21-22



## Luke 16

The Rich Man & Lazarus: Both Die/ Go to Sheol (As Did Everybody in the Old Testament Era)

Question 1: How Does That Work?

## Luke 23/Matthew 28

Good Friday: Jesus Tells the Terrorist on the Cross: Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise

Easter Sunday: Jesus Tells Mary: I Have Not Yet Ascended to My Father in Heaven

Church Age Believers Since Pentecost: Death = Being Absent from the Body and with Christ

Question 2: How Does That Work?

## Revelation 21-22

Streets of Gold/Pearly Gates Not Until after "It [God's Purpose for The Now] Is Done!"

Question 3: How Does That Work?

## **Heaven <sup>1</sup>**

### **The Upper Compartment of Sheol**

OT Believers (Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David and Solomon)

## **Heaven <sup>2</sup>**

### **Where Our Lord Came From/Ascended To**

NT Believers (Peter, James, John, Pam, Homer, Ron and Jean)

## **Heaven <sup>3</sup>**

### **New Heaven/Earth (with Streets of Gold/Pearly Gates)**

All Believers (Adam/Eve to the End of Human History)

## **Let's Set Our Minds on Things Above and Beyond**

Being More Heavenly Minded Can Make Us More Earthly Good

**While "The Now" is Real and Really Important  
It is Not the Ultimate and It is Only Temporary!**

### **Never Forget**

1: When the Outlook in This World is Bleak...the Up-Look is Still Beautiful

2: Our Eternal Future is Out of this World in/with Our Lord Jesus Christ

IOWs: This World is Not Our Home...We're Just a Passin' Through