

# The Fire, the Death & the Escape

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The media recently reported about the heroic act of an eight year old little lad, who saved six lives, aged between four and six from a house fire in the US, but died while trying to save his disabled grandfather. After saving the children, the boy went to help his disabled grandfather, who could not come out of his own. The brave boy tried to lift his grandfather to safety, but could not due to fire and fume and the duo perished in the fire.

Fire is more devouring and destructive than any other elements. Life survives in water, life survives in air, life can survive on earth and under the earth, but no life ever survives in fire. There is a fire that is unquenchable. This fire is eternal. Ages of eternity might pass, but this fire will not cease. The words used in the Holy Bible, such as, second death, the pit, the prison, the fire, the thirst, the blackness, the outer darkness, the weeping etc. conveys the fierceness of the sad end of Christ rejecters.

Dear reader, where do you want to spend your eternity?, in the fiery furnace of hell?, or in the glorious presence of the Eternal God?. Here is an opportunity to choose your eternity. No one would like to choose a fiery furnace to spend their eternity! You and I are sinners in the sight of God and are thus enemies of God. Since the wages of sin is death, you and I are bound and destined for hellfire. But, God in His love and compassion for man made a provision to save man from the fiery furnace of hell. He gave His only beloved Son, who did no sin, but bore our sins in His own body and offered Himself to be nailed on the cross to redeem us from the penalty of sin.

The Lord Jesus Christ thus suffered, bled and died on the cursed cross for your sins and my sins. He was buried, but rose again on the third day according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated on the right hand of God. He will come again

any day, any time to take us away unto Himself. All those who refuse to trust in the mediatory work of the Saviour, Lord Jesus Christ and live an unrepentant life will be destined to spend their eternity in the unquenchable hell fire. But all those repentant sinners who put their trust in the Saviour shall spend their eternity in inexplicable joy in the glorious presence of God.

Keeping the above in view, one needs to choose one's own final destiny, when one is yet alive in the earthly body, between the eternal fire(as the result of continuance in one's own sin and not accepting Lord Jesus Christ) or the eternal presence of the glorious God (because of the redemption from the penalty of sin received because of trust in mediatory work of the Saviour).

Dear readers, come to Christ with repentant heart, if you have not yet done so, and escape from the unquenchable fire!