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**From The Desk
Of Pastor Don**

HEAVEN OR HELL

For the past three Sundays we have been looking at the options for eternity available to mankind.

The Bible describes Hell as a fiery hell, fire and brimstone, flames of fire, burning wind, eternal punishment. There will be no rest day and night; it is a place of torment, destruction, weeping and gnashing of teeth, death – a most unpleasant place. Satan, his demons, and all the people he has influenced through evil and wickedness will dwell there in tears, sorrow, pain, suffering and separation from God.

Heaven, on the other hand, is described as the place where God dwells eternally. God, himself, Jesus, the Son of God who gave Himself a Sacrificial Lamb, the saints of the ages, and God's holy angels will be there. Those who enter Heaven will be forever in conditions just the opposite of those listed above: forever worshipping and serving God who loves and created them. John describes in the revelation a place of opulence, beauty, harmony, peace and life with its vibrancy and fulfillment. All provision for every need is supplied. In fact, Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you."

What opposite poles! One of which is our destination for eternity. When presented so clearly, it would seem that any rational being would choose the way of God. However, that is not the case. Many people are making choices daily that will lead them to Hell. Joshua made a demand: "Choose you this day whom you will serve," to a rebellious people. But when confronted with a clear choice, they responded that they chose the way of God. However, history indicates otherwise.

My prayer for you as you consider yourself, your eternal destiny is that you make the rational choice to trust Christ. And, then, to follow in obedience His way for your life. Jesus said, "Whoever loves me keeps my commandments." Trust Christ is the beginning step in a wonderful walk of daily living for Him, which leads to eternal life – forever in the presence of God.

Our Purpose is to expand God's Kingdom, as we reach, teach, disciple and activate people for our Lord Jesus Christ.

Morganton First Church of God Weekly Schedule

Communion in the Prayer Room	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School:	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday ~ Children's Church	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evenings	6:00 p.m.
Power House Youth and Prayer Service	
Wednesday Fellowship Supper	5:45 p.m.
Wednesday Small Groups	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Adult Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Services	7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study, KidsPlace & PowerHouse Youth	

Our Website: www.mfcog.com