

Awakening 2017: Speak, O Lord

Psalms 20

To the chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

A prayer for the king

- 1 THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee.
- 2 Send thee help from heaven, and say to thee from heaven, "Selah."
- 3 Remember thy sacrifice, O God; in all thy distresses, O God, we will resort to thee.
- 4 Grant thee according to thy word, O God, and prosper all thy paths.
- 5 Now know I that thy salvation is in the Lord; he will hear him that is righteous.
- 6 Strength of his right hand, and his strength, O Lord our God.
- 7 Some have stumbled, and have fallen, but we are brought down and stand upright.
- 8 They are brought down and stand upright, O Lord, for the king hear us when we call.
- 9 Save, Lord, for the king hear us when we call.

Psalms 21

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Glorious and success of the king

- 1 THE KING shall joy in thy strength, O Lord, and in thy salvation have greatly shall he rejoice.
- 2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

Psalms 24

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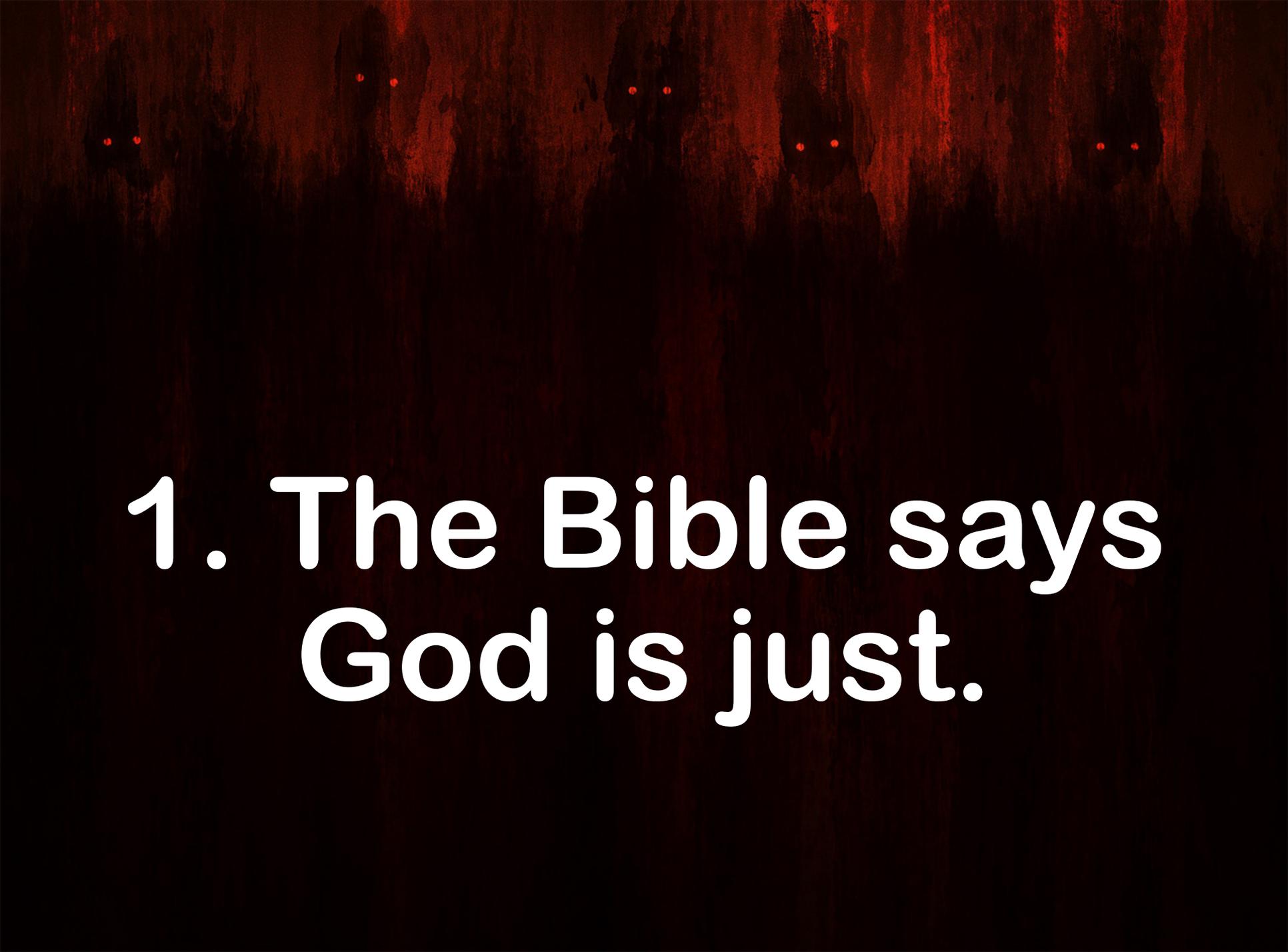
Pew Research Center's 2014 Religious Landscape Study:

- **72%** U.S. Adults believe in heaven: a place where people who have led good lives are eternally rewarded.
- **58%** of U.S. adults believe in hell: a place where people who have led bad lives and die without being sorry are eternally punished.





Why is there a Hell?
Revelation 20:7-15

The background is a dark, textured red with a mottled, almost wood-grain-like appearance. Scattered across the upper portion of the image are several pairs of small, glowing red eyes, giving the impression of hidden or lurking figures.

**1. The Bible says
God is just.**

Sin is everything that falls short of God's perfection, everything that works against God's perfect plan for His creation.

...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23

**God and sin cannot
coexist.**

**Your eyes are too pure
to look on evil; you
cannot tolerate wrong.**

Habakkuk 1:13

God separates sin from himself forever, that means sinners are destined to be separated from God forever unless something is done to remove sin from sinners.

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**2. The Bible says
God is love.
1 John 4:16-19**

We do not fear God's
justice because
God's love compels
Him to save sinners.
This is why Jesus
went to the cross.

This is love: not that we
loved God, but that he
loved us and sent his Son
as an atoning sacrifice for
our sins.

1 John 4:10

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6

But God demonstrates his
own love for us in this:
While we were still
sinners, Christ died for
us.

Romans 5:8

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23

For Christ died for sins
once for all, the righteous
for the unrighteous, to
bring you to God.

1Peter 3:18

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

2Peter 3:9

Love cannot be forced or it is not love. God's perfect love will not allow Him to force Himself on us.

This day I call heaven and
earth as witnesses against
you that I have set before
you life and death, blessings
and curses.

Now choose life, so that you
and your children may live
and that you may love the
LORD your God, listen to
his voice, and hold fast to
him. For the LORD is your
life.

Deuteronomy 30:19-20

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing.”

Matthew 23:37

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**3. The Bible says
God has enemies.**

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

John 10:10

“Then he will say to those
on his left, ‘Depart from
me, you who are cursed,
into the eternal fire
prepared for the devil and
his angels.’”

Matthew 25:41

God created Hell for Satan and the demons because they are His enemies. God did not create Hell for you. God does not intend for you to be His enemy, but His beloved child.

For if, when we were God's
enemies, we were
reconciled to him through
the death of his Son, how
much more, having been
reconciled, shall we be
saved through his life!

Romans 5:10

There is a place for those
who reject God's loving
offer of grace in Christ.
God created this place for
His enemies, not for you.
But He will not stop you
from going there if you
insist upon it.