## **Resurvection Life of Jesus Church** THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS RLJ-1388 JOHN S. TORELL MARCH 31, 2013 PART 30: THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

Paul gives a fantastic insight into the spiritual world by telling us that people in heaven can see what is happening on the earth. **Hebrews 12:1** 

In order to validate this statement, let's look at the following Bible verses:

- Jesus stated that God is not the God of the dead; the bodies of people will die, but the soul of a person continues to live in hell or heaven. Matthew 22:32
- 2. The body of the prophet Samuel was dead but Samuel was still very much alive as he was conjured up from Paradise. The witch was expecting her spirit guide and was therefore surprised and scared when she saw the prophet Samuel. **1 Samuel 28:7-19**
- 3. Jesus told us what happened to them that end up in hell. The body of the rich man was dead, but his soul was very much alive and he could see from hell into paradise. Luke 16:19-31
- 4. The souls of people in hell are in constant torment. Mark 9:43-48
- 5. The souls of believers in Christ whose bodies have died are in heaven and very much alive. **Revelation 7:9-17**
- 6. Those believers in Christ who has been wronged on earth are crying out to God for revenge. **Revelation 6:9-11**
- 7. Moses and the prophet Elijah were sent from Paradise to instruct Jesus about his death and resurrection. Luke 9:28-36
- 8. Someday all believers in Christ will attend the Marriage Supper in heaven. **Revelation 19:1-9**
- 9. When the body of a person dies, the souls of the unsaved are taken to hell by God's angels whereas the soul and the spirit of believers in Christ are taken straight to heaven by God's angels. There are no souls or ghosts of dead people walking around on the earth. Once the body of a person dies, that person is removed from the earth. **Hebrews 9:27**
- 10.God has forbidden the living on earth to contact the dead. The word "necromancer" means a person who communicates with the dead. **Deuteronomy 18:9-13**
- 11. The people in heaven and hell have been removed from the playing field and cannot intervene on behalf of the people still living on the earth. The Roman Catholic concept that the dead become angels who watch over the living on earth is a lie. People who are into spiritism or conjuring up the



dead to foretell the future are not communicating with dead people, but with evil spirits.

The people in heaven and hell can observe what is happening on the earth but cannot intervene; they are only witnesses. **Hebrews 12:1** 

## Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?