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1771 – 1832

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Sir Walter Scott

Scottish historical novelist, playwright, & poet

“I thought there was neither a God nor a hell. Now I know and feel that there are both, and I am doomed to perdition by the just judgment of the Almighty.”

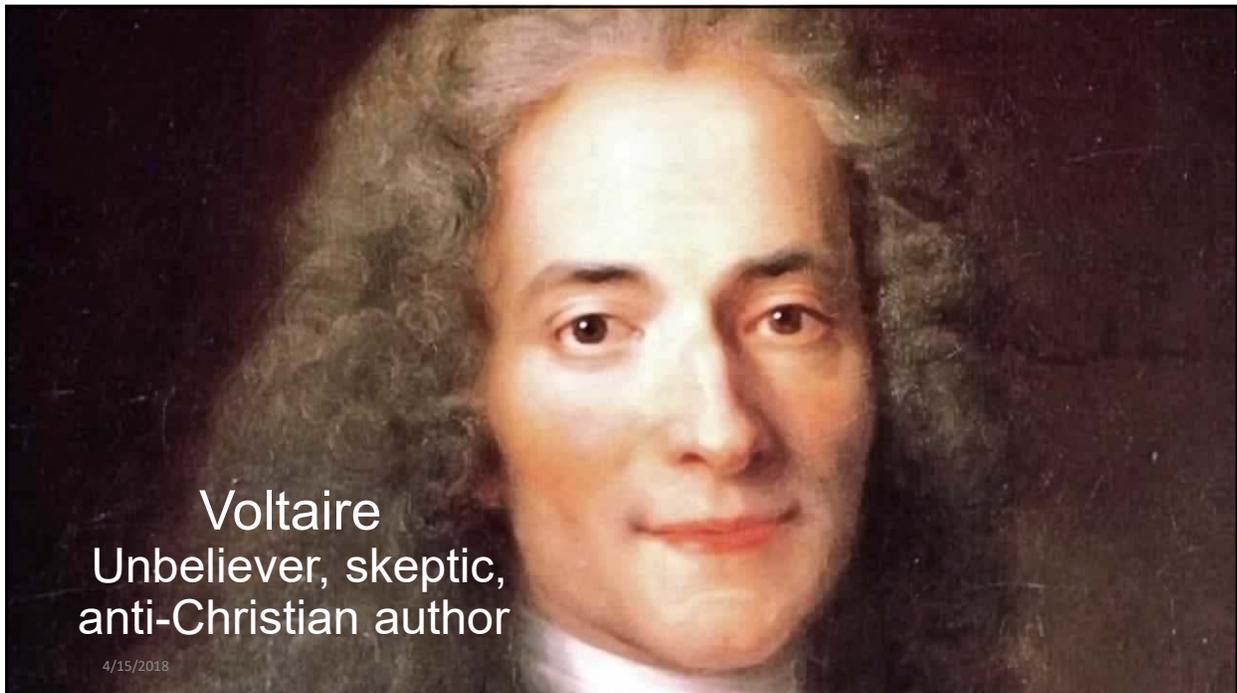
Charles Talleyrand
French statesman

“I am suffering the
pangs of the
damned.”



1754–1838

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Voltaire
Unbeliever, skeptic,
anti-Christian author

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“O Christ, O Lord Jesus. I must die
abandoned by God and man.”

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“Earth recedes. Heaven
opens before me. If this is
death, it is sweet! There is no
valley here. God is calling
me, and I must go. ... I am
not dreaming. I have been
within the gates. I have seen
the children's faces. ...This is
my triumph; this is my
coronation day! It is glorious!”

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Dwight L. Moody



1837 – 1899

“Death is only a comma to a Christian
– not a period.” Adrian Rogers

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Jn 5:28-29 Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice ²⁹and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

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Jn 11:25-26 “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. ²⁶And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”

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1. All men are immortal

“all who are in the graves will hear His voice”

Gen 2:7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

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2. Death is not the end – it's only the beginning.

- Death was not an original part of creation:

Gen 1:31 Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

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- Death is the result of Adam's sin:

Rom 5:12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned

1 Cor 15:22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

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3. Everyone will be resurrected

- The resurrection of “life”:

Lk 14:14 And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just.

Jn 6:47 Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.

1 Jn 5:13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life,

- The resurrection of “condemnation”:

2 Pet 2:9 The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment,

Rev 20:13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

4. The “body” is what is resurrected

1 Cor 15:35 But someone will say, “How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?” ... ⁴²So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

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1 Jn 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

Phil 3:21 who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

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Jn 20:27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

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21:12-13 Jesus said to them, “Come and eat breakfast.” Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, “Who are You?” – knowing that it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish. ... ¹⁴This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead. ¹⁵So when they had eaten breakfast, ...

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Jn 20:19,26 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ... ²⁶And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!”

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5. Death is dead

Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. ... ¹⁴Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

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1 Cor 15:54-55 “Death is swallowed up in victory.”
⁵⁵“O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?”

2 Cor 5:4 For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.

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Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

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“Under the sod and under the trees,
Lies the body of Jonathan Pease.
He is not here, there’s only the pod:
Pease shelled out and went to God.”

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