There are many different resurrections in the Scriptures. Of course when we say, “The Resurrection,” most people know we are speaking about the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. And we know that the Bible speaks about two general resurrections—these resurrections will be the resurrection of all the dead from the graves which will occur at two separate times. First, the resurrection of the just or righteous and then the resurrection of the wicked.

But I think it’s important that we study all the different resurrections in both the Old and New Testament because there are many. If we do then we will learn an important secret of the Lord—the Holy Spirit is the Agent who “quickens” or gives life to the dead in each case. In fact, both the Hebrew and Greek (pneuma) words for spirit can also mean “breath,” the wind or life. The word is translated many different ways and can also refer to the spirit of man. Without the spirit, a person will die—the spirit leaves the body at death accompanied by the soul. And at death the righteous are immediately present with the Lord in Heaven whereas the unrighteous are chained by demons and dragged into hell. I wrote in Mysterious Secrets that the greatest pleasure demons have is to drag an unsaved person to hell. They will often gather around the person who did not accept Jesus during life.
and immediately upon death they will encircle their spiritual body with chains and drag them into hell laughing and often tormenting their body during the process.

The concept of hell is a terrible one. One which most of the Church no longer wants to talk about because it’s not popular nor conducive toward building a big church. As a result, many “pastors” and “theologians” have led an insurrection against God in this area.

Case in point is the recent issue of Time Magazine—bless their darling hearts and stupid heads. The Cover of the April 25, 2011 issue is titled: “What If There’s No HELL? A popular pastor’s best-selling book has stirred fierce debate about sin, salvation and judgment.”

Now I don’t know if there truly is a “fierce debate” going on or not; there shouldn’t be! Religious “leaders,” as they’re always called when they’re no such thing unless you count religious spirits, have been doing this sort of thing for centuries. We are seeing more of it in this time than at any other because they can sell a lot of books and draw a big crowd. But when I saw this magazine cover you know what I thought first? A better question is “What if there is a HELL!” And of course, the question I always ask about any such “new” revelation is “what does the Word say?” Does the Word say, “What if there’s no HELL?”

And of course they don’t quote any of the people who have been “To Hell and Back” (not including Audie Murphy) like Mary Baxter. The Lord took me to the Lake of Fire on Thanksgiving Day, 1989, during a vision and it helped explain the vision which would answer many of the questions—“what about babies, or people who die without ever hearing the Gospel through no fault of their own?”—these clowns raise
in this magazine article about the justness of God. However, it’s interesting to note that they never use a Christian to write these articles because they have a preconceived idea already—the liberal viewpoint. Unfortunately, this type article does great damage to those who may have been wavering in their belief. Quotes such as: “Still, the dominant view of the righteous in heaven and the damned in hell owes more to the artistic legacy of the West, from Michelangelo to Dante to Blake, than it does to history or to unambiguous biblical teaching.”

Really? Unambiguous biblical teaching? It would be interesting to ask Jon Meacham, the man who wrote this article, how many times through he’s read the Bible but I think I already know the answer to that question so it would be rhetorical. There’s nothing ambiguous about the Scriptures, my brothers and sisters. IF you’re born again then the Holy Spirit is obligated to “guide you into all truth”; however, don’t make the mistake of taking John 8:32 out of context—remember, it’s only “if you abide in My word” that “you will know the truth and the truth shall make you free.” The more time you spend reading and meditating the Scriptures the more the Holy Spirit will open your spiritual understanding and there will be fewer and fewer mysteries about God.

It’s a sad thing that so much of the Church that Jesus died for is in insurrection and rebellion to Him but this was prophesied by the great revelator—the Apostle Paul. He said, “The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.” (1 Tim. 4:1) And the Lord told me in April, 1985, that “the two greatest (meaning most numerous) spirits in operation in the earth today are religious spirits and deceiving spirits.”
Jesus Himself said of the time in which we are now living: “For false christs (remember, this word means “anointed ones” so these are falsely anointed ones) and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if it were possible, even the elect.” (Mt. 24:24)

We’ve never lived in a time where there’s been more operation of religious and deceiving spirits in both the world and the churches. It’s more important than ever that you are disciplined and spend time in the Word so that your mind is renewed and you are not deceived.

Yes, there is a Heaven—I’ve been there many times and so has my wife and many other people—it’s 3 dazzling bright cities one on top of the other shaped like a pyramid with the Throne Room residing in the top city. Only the redeemed of the Lamb will have a residence there but where you live there is determined by your life here on earth—what you do, who you are and how closely you followed God’s plan for your life. There is a file folder in Heaven with your name on it! I’ve seen them! And, in your residence are many things such as a golden harp, a golden crown and—don’t forget this one—a gold Bible on the coffee table so I’d suggest that you read it now and know what it says—the Promises of God to the Redeemed.

But sad to say, there is also a Hell to be shunned! Fortunately, the Lord Jesus Christ loved the world so much that He came from Heaven, intervened in the affairs of me and suffered to free us from the enslavement of sin and the devil. He died for all mankind; His Blood is the pardon for all the sins for those who will receive His sacrifice. Praise the Lord!
Thank you Jesus that you rose again on Easter so that we might have eternal life and be free from the chains of the devil. Blessed be the name of the Lord. We celebrate you resurrection this day and say, “Thank you!”