



Burnett Avenue Baptist Church
Bible Study
Wednesday, March 11, 2026
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**THE GOSPEL BEYOND THE GRAVE: TOWARD A BLACK
THEOLOGY OF HOPE— WEEK 3
LUKE 16: 19-31**

WORDS/IDEAS TO KNOW:

Realized Eschatology is a theological view holding that New Testament "end times" prophecies were fulfilled during Jesus' earthly ministry, not in a _____ apocalypse. It emphasizes the _____ of _____ as a present reality rather than a future event.

Unrealized Eschatology is the theological position that the _____, glorious prophecies of scripture—such as the new heaven, new earth, and final resurrection—are still future events, opposing views that these were already fulfilled in the past or are fully present now. This view maintains a "not yet" focus, emphasizing the need for Christ's _____ return to complete the kingdom.

Apocalypticism is the religious worldview that the world, currently dominated by evil and chaos, will soon face a _____, cataclysmic, and _____ (or catastrophic) end.

Depoliticizing of the apocalyptic dimension of eschatology involves shifting focus away from using "end times" _____ to justify current political, nationalist, or violent agendas, and instead emphasizing its original spiritual, cosmic, and hope-filled nature. This approach seeks to _____ apocalyptic literature (like Revelation or Daniel) as a message of ultimate _____ sovereignty, _____, and inner _____, rather than a blueprint for earthly _____ warfare.

Black apocalypticism draws on eschatological realities in subversive and _____ ways that give hope and strength.

PEOPLE TO KNOW:

J. Deotis Roberts was an American theologian, and a pioneering figure in the black theology _____ movement.

BIG IDEA: Hell is eternal separation from God and Hell or Heaven are not simply _____ but also _____.

DESCRIPTIONS OF HELL IN SCRIPTURE

DEPICTIONS OF HELL IN CULTURE AND PHILOSOPHY
