

**Study Guide for *Systematic
Theology*, Volume 3, Part IV,
by Charles Hodge**

**Extra Reading for the course:
"Your Kingdom Come"**

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Review Questions:

Chapter One

1. "The continued existence of the soul after death is a matter of _____." Why is this significant?
2. In the Old Testament, what is "represented as the general receptacle or abode of departed spirits, who were there in a state of consciousness; some in a state of misery, others in a state of happiness"?
3. What three aspects of the future state did the Sadducees deny?
4. What parable of Jesus shows the close understanding of Sheol between people in the Old Testament and the New Testament?
5. True or False? According to Hippolytus, both the righteous and unrighteous go to Hades upon death to await the final judgment.
6. True or False? According to St. Thomas (Aquinas), "...although unbaptized infants are deprived forever of the happiness of the saints, they suffer neither sorrow nor sadness in consequence of that privation."
7. In Catholic teaching, purgatory is under the power of _____.
8. What is the most obvious and decisive arguments against the doctrine of purgatory?
9. "Secondly, the power granted by Christ to his Church of binding and loosing, of forgiving or retaining sin, is not _____, but _____."
10. True or False? The Apostles repeatedly and consistently are shown to forgive and absolve sins, just as is practiced by Catholic authorities today.

Chapter Two

1. True or False? According to Hodge, "resurrection" means the continued existence of the soul after death.
2. Which two passages give us "negative statements" on the nature of the resurrection body, from which we learn a great deal?

3. True or False? The doctrine of the resurrection of the body is exclusively a doctrine of the Bible.

Chapter Three

1. True or False? Prophecy is intended to give us a knowledge of the future, analogous to that which history gives us of the past.

2. What New Testament occurrence was a "type and pledge of the glory of the second advent"?

3. The first great event, which is to precede the second coming of Christ, is the _____.

4. True or False? The appearance of the Antichrist is explicitly discussed by John in the Book of Revelation.

5. According to Hodge, who do Protestants most consistently see in the portrait given of the antichrist in the New Testament?

Chapter Four

1. Put the events that are to attend the second coming of Christ into order. [see Hodge, p. 762]

2. What is the only passage that seems to teach that there is to be a first and second resurrection of the body?

3. When Hodge appeals to the "Church universal," who all does he include in that group?

4. True or False? Hodge lists eight passages (e.g. - Psalm 3:25, 26; Isaiah 51:6, etc.) concerning "the end of the world," which predict great political and moral revolutions.

5. What are the three words used to describe "the place of the final abode of the righteous" at the consummation?

6. What two verses does Hodge use to show the Apostles' understanding that Christ's Second Advent could still be a long time away?

7. The doctrine of the duration of future punishment can only be decided by _____.

8. What two character traits of God give some people grounds to object to future eternal punishment? How does Hodge answer those objections?