

GRACE FOREVERMORE...OR NEVERMORE

God...made us alive together with Christ...and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly (places)...in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 2:4-7).

REMOVAL AND RESTORATION OF GRACE

1. *Eden*: everything is created for man to enjoy, except one fruit.
2. *Fall*: curse and loss of many grace blessings; e.g., enter thorns, thistles, pests, predation, sickness, sin natures, and death.
3. *Flood*: more grace blessings are removed; e.g., 80% of all plant life is now extinct (Henry Morris).
4. *Principle*: sin and rejecting God reduces grace blessings, leaving less to enjoy.
5. *Millennium*: a reversal and full restoration of Edenic grace.
6. *New Earth*: a never-to-be-reduced super-abundance of grace forever.
7. *Hades and the Lake of Fire*: a complete absence of grace blessings forever.



ABYSS:

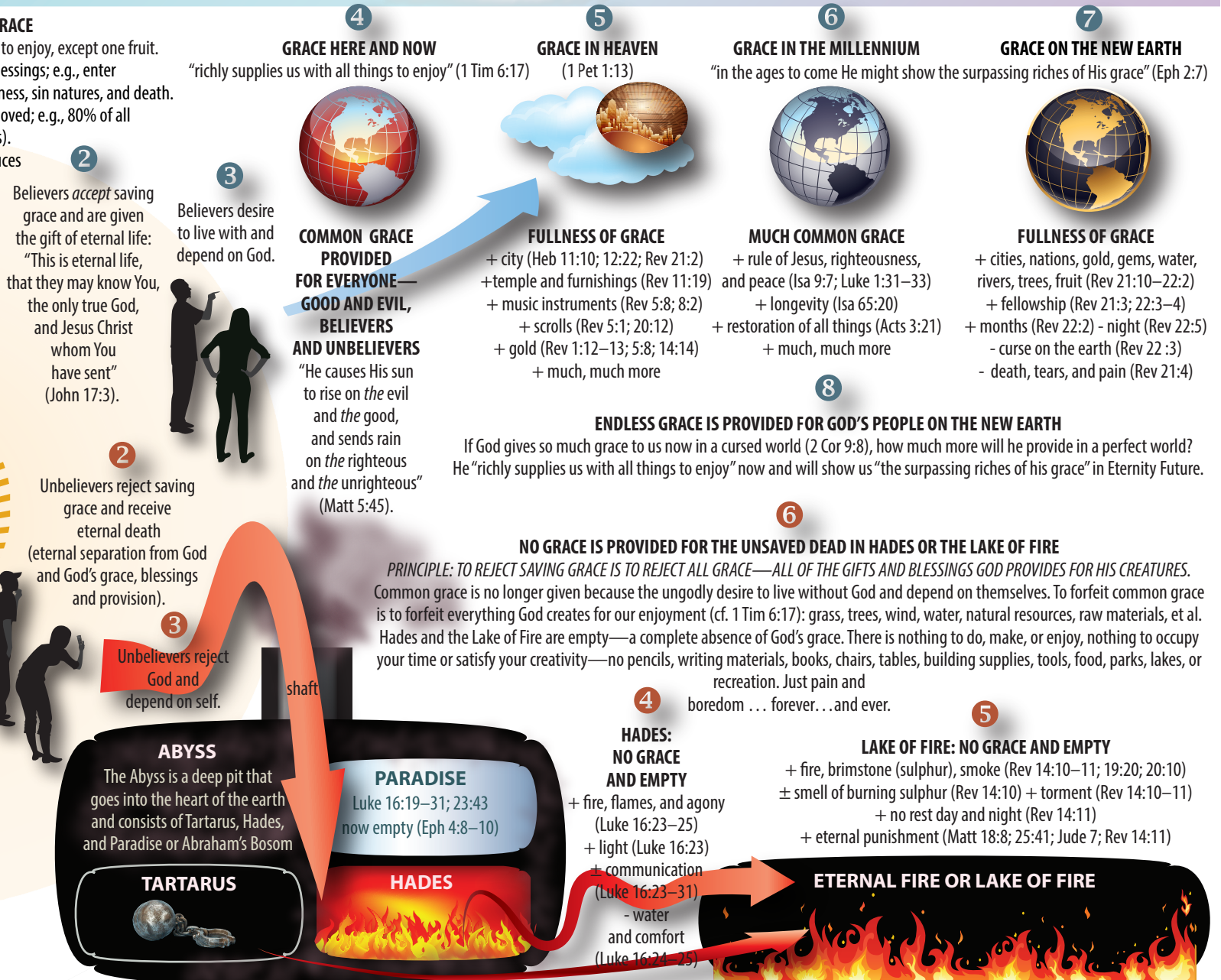
NO GRACE AND EMPTY

+ pit + chains + door or hatch
+ lock + shaft + smoke + king
Some demons, humans (Jesus, the Antichrist), and Satan were / are / will be in the Abyss (Luke 8:31; Rom 10:7; Eph 4:9; Rev 9:1-2, 11; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1-3).

TARTARUS:

NO GRACE AND EMPTY

+ pits + chains + darkness
Some fallen angels are chained in pits of darkness (2 Pet 2:4; Jude 6).



Tartarus is probably cast along with Hades into the Lake of Fire (cf. Matt 25:41; Rev 20:14).

"And death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death" (Rev 20:14).