## A Loving God Would Never Do That!

Many folks today, especially our young people, are adhering to the belief that our Heavenly Father is an all-loving God, who has given His love to mankind unconditionally through the sacrifice of Christ. They believe that because of this great gift of grace, the Almighty will never send anyone to an eternal hell. These beliefs can be found within the "Universalist Church", founded in America during the mid-1800's. Also gaining popularity in our society is the belief that no matter how evil a person may be, or what terrible things they may have done, there is a little bit of goodness in everyone. This fraction of goodness is enough to excuse their sinful behavior and therefore such a person should not be eternally punished. By using selected scriptures, this theology can be easily confirmed (or so it would seem).

This octopus has too many tentacles to be covered in such a short article, but we will offer a simple comparison:

"For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires <u>all men</u> to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Timothy 2:3–4)

"But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars <u>shall have their part</u> in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." (Revelation 21:8)

"For I have not shunned to declare to you the <u>whole</u> counsel of God." (Acts 20:27)

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