

THE PORTALS



Hell

Life lessons

Heaven

ONE OF SATAN STRAGIES: BAIT/SWITCH

When you look at the portals above, it forces you to think, "After my life, where am I going? Which portal will I go through?"

I had an experience that clearly showed how Satan clouds the view and understanding of these portals. Here is what I saw, learned, and was very surprised by.

One day I walked up to two young men at church who were getting coffee. I told these young men I had not seen them before, and they answered that it was their first time. I asked, "What brought them here today?"

One of the young men stated that his mom made him come. He then added, "I am an agnostic." I asked how he got to the point of being an agnostic. He said, "Do you really want to know?" Of course, I did! Over the next forty minutes, he told an unbelievable story. It was a grand deception, a bait and switch on Satan's part.

Here are the facts of his life as he told them. At about the age of five, he started having spirits come and talk to him. Over time, these spirits harassed and intimidated him constantly. It continued until he was in 10th grade. Also, during this time, he was bullied at school, and his family life had fallen apart.

Next, he talked about being rescued. A new powerful spirit came to the young man and talked about those other evil spirits. This new spirit told the young man he was strong enough to stop the evil spirits that taunted him. The new spirit asked the young man if he wanted the new spirit to take care of those other evil ones. Of course, he did! He indicated that was the last time he had a problem, no more bullying at school, no more intimidation. He was hooked!

The new spirit saved him from a terrible life, and he was forever grateful. He was hooked. WOW, I could not believe what I was hearing. We met several times, and he could not see through this evil scheme. The evil spirit kept him in fear of going back to those terrible times. He moved away shortly after that.

I learned to watch for this bait and switch tactic and realized it could come in many forms. I pray that this young man will be able to break free someday.

Answer the following questions about this story.

- Who do you think that new spirit was?
- What does this story say about the evil spirits?
- Have you experienced this in your life journey?
- What does this story say about God?
- What does this story say about you?
- Any action required on our part?