

Sermon Notes for August 10, 2025

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 - ii. The Way of Wisdom vs. The Way of the Foolish (Proverbs 2)
 - iii. The Narrow Gate/Difficult Road vs. The Wide Gate/Easy Road (Matthew 7:13-14)
 - iv. The Way of the Lamb vs. The Way of the Dragon (Revelation)

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- c. _____ and _____ enter the second death, the lake of fire. (20:14)

3. Two Destinations

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