Where was, when was Paradise, Hell

Old Testament

Strong's H7585 - shě'owl grave, hell, pit AV — grave 31, hell 31, pit 3

Or shol {sheh-ole'}; from sha'al; Hades or the world of the dead (as if a subterranean retreat), including its accessories and inmates -- grave, hell, pit.

Outline of Biblical Usage

- 1) sheol, underworld, grave, hell, pit a) the underworld b) Sheol the OT designation for the abode of the dead
- 1) place of no return2) without praise of God 3) wicked sent there for punishment 4) righteous not abandoned to it5) of the place of exile (fig) 6) of extreme degradation in sin

Here are some examples of this word used in a OT Bible sentence.

Gen 37:34 And Jacob $\frac{3290}{1}$ rent $\frac{7167}{1}$ his clothes $\frac{8071}{1}$, and put $\frac{7760}{1}$ sackcloth $\frac{8242}{1}$ upon his loins $\frac{4975}{1}$, and mourned $\frac{56}{1}$ for his son $\frac{1121}{1}$ many $\frac{7227}{1}$ days $\frac{3117}{1}$.

 \square Gen 37:35 And all his sons 1121 and all his daughters 1323 rose up 6965 to comfort 5162 him; but he refused 3985 to be comforted 5162 ; and he said 559 , For I will go **down** 3381 **into the grave** 7585 unto my son 1121 mourning 57 . Thus his father 1 wept 1058 for him.

<u>Deu 32:22</u> For a fire $\frac{784}{}$ is kindled $\frac{6919}{}$ in mine anger $\frac{639}{}$, and shall burn $\frac{3344}{}$ unto the **lowest** $\frac{8482}{}$ **hell** $\frac{7585}{}$, and shall consume $\frac{398}{}$ the earth $\frac{776}{}$ with her increase $\frac{2981}{}$, and set on fire $\frac{3857}{}$ the foundations $\frac{4144}{}$ of the mountains $\frac{2022}{}$.

<u>Psa 16:10</u> For thou wilt not leave $\frac{5800}{1}$ my soul $\frac{5315}{1}$ in hell $\frac{7585}{1}$; neither wilt thou suffer $\frac{5414}{1}$ thine Holy One $\frac{2623}{1}$ to see $\frac{7200}{1}$ corruption $\frac{7845}{1}$.

New Testament

Strong's G1067 gehenna, hell.

Of Hebrew origin (gay' and Hinnom); valley of (the son of) Hinnom; ge-henna (or Ge-Hinnom), a valley of Jerusalem, used (figuratively) as a name for the place (or state) of everlasting punishment -- hell.

Strong's G86 grave, hell.

From <u>a</u> (as negative particle) and <u>eido</u>; properly, unseen, i.e. **"Hades" or the place** (state) of departed souls -- grave, hell.

Here are two examples of this word used in a NT Bible sentence.

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Luke 16:23 And ^{2532} in ^{1722} hell ^{86} he lift up ^{1869} his ^{846} eyes ^{3788}, being ^{5225} in ^{1722} torments ^{931}, and seeth ^{3708} Abraham ^{11} afar ^{3113} off ^{575}, and ^{2532} Lazarus ^{2976} in ^{1722} his ^{846} bosom ^{2859}.
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Act 2:31 (Referring to David, Psa 16:10) He seeing this before $\frac{4275}{5}$ spake $\frac{2980}{5}$ of $\frac{4012}{5}$ the resurrection $\frac{386}{5}$ of Christ $\frac{5547}{5}$, that $\frac{3754}{5}$ his $\frac{846}{5}$ soul $\frac{5590}{5}$ was $\frac{2641}{5}$ not $\frac{3756}{5}$ left $\frac{2641}{5}$ in $\frac{1519}{5}$ hell $\frac{86}{5}$, neither $\frac{3761}{5}$ his $\frac{846}{5}$ flesh $\frac{4561}{5}$ did see $\frac{1492}{5}$ corruption $\frac{1312}{5}$.

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the **spirit shall return unto God** who gave it. **Ecclesiastes 12:7**

Those assigned to Hell or Hades

And, in fine, wo unto all those who **die in their sins**: for they shall return to God, and behold his face, and **remain in their sins**. **2N 6:72**

For behold, there is a wo pronounced upon him who listeth to obey that spirit: for if he listeth to obey him, and remaineth and **dieth in his sins**, the **same drinketh damnation** to his own soul; For he receiveth for his wages an everlasting punishment, having transgressed the law of God, contrary to his own knowledge. I say unto you, that there are not any among you, except it be your little children, that have not been taught concerning these things, but what knoweth that ye are eternally indebted to your heavenly Father, **Mos 1:74-76**

And now behold I say unto you, then cometh a death, even a second death, which is a spiritual death; Then is a time that whosoever dieth in his sins, as to a temporal death, shall also die a spiritual death: yea, he shall die as to things pertaining unto righteousness; Then is the time when their torments shall be as a lake of fire and brimstone, whose flames ascendeth up for ever and ever; And then is the time that they shall be chained down to an everlasting destruction, according to the power and captivity of Satan: he having subjected them according to his will. Then I say unto you, They shall be as though there had been no redemption made; for they can not be redeemed according to God's justice; and they can not die, seeing there is no more corruption. Alma 9:28-32

Note: Those that "Die in their Sins" are assigned to *shĕ'owl* (Hell, Hades, the prison house, outer darkness) to await the second resurrection when they will then be judged and then cast into the Lake of Fire where they will remain forever.

Now let us take a look at the righteous dead.

And it came to pass that the seventy and first year passed away, and also the seventy and second year; yea, and in fine, until the seventy and ninth year had passed away; yea, even an hundred years had passed away, and the disciples of Jesus, whom he had chosen, had all gone to the paradise of God, save it were the three who should tarry; 4N 1:15 (100 A.D.)

And now I bid unto all, farewell. I soon go to rest in the **paradise of God**, until my spirit and body shall again reunite, and I am brought forth triumphant through the air, to meet you before the pleasing bar of the great Jehovah, the eternal Judge of both quick and dead. Amen. **Mi 10:31 (420 A.D.)**

And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise. Luke 23:43 (Circa 30 A.D.)

How that he was caught up into **paradise**, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. **2 Corinthians 12:4 (Circa 60 A.D.)**

Paradise, Hell (Outer darkness) and the resurrection of the dead

But I shew unto you one thing, which I have inquired diligently of God, that I might know; that is, concerning the resurrection. Behold, there is a time appointed that all shall come forth from the dead. Now when this time cometh, no one knows; but God knoweth the time which is appointed. Now whether there shall be one time, or a second time, or a third time, that men shall come forth from the dead, it mattereth not; for God knoweth all these things; and it sufficeth me to know that this is the case; that there is a time appointed that all shall rise from the dead. Now there must needs be a space betwixt the time of death, and the time of the resurrection. And now I would inquire what becometh of the souls of men, from this time of death, to the time appointed for the resurrection? Now whether there is more than one time appointed for men to rise, it mattereth not: for all do not die at once: and this mattereth not; all is as one day, with God; and time only is measured unto men; Therefore there is a time appointed unto men, that they shall rise from the dead; and there is a space between the time of death and the resurrection. And now concerning this space of time. What becometh of the souls of men, is the thing which I have inquired diligently of the Lord to know; and this is the thing of which I do know. And when the time cometh when all shall rise, then shall they know that God knoweth all the times which are appointed unto man. Now concerning the state of the soul between death and the resurrection. Behold, it has been made known unto me, by an angel, that the spirits of all men, as soon as they are departed from this mortal body; yea, the spirits of all men, whether they be good or evil, are taken taken home to that God who gave them life. And then shall it come to pass that the spirits of those who are righteous, are received into a state of happiness, which is called paradise; a state of rest; a state of peace, where they shall rest from all their troubles, and from all care, and sorrow, etc. And then shall it come to pass, that the **spirits of the wicked**, yea, who are evil; for behold, they have no part nor portion of the Spirit of the Lord: for behold they choose evil works, rather

than good: therefore the spirit of the devil did enter into them, and take possession of their house; And these shall be cast out into outer darkness; there shall be weeping, and wailing and gnashing of teeth; and this because of their own iniquity; being led captive by the will of the devil. Now this is the state of the souls of the wicked; yea, in darkness, and a state of awful, fearful, looking for, of the fiery indignation of the wrath of God upon them; thus they remain in this state, as well as the righteous in paradise, until the time of their resurrection. Now there are some that have understood that this state of happiness, and this state of misery of the soul, before the resurrection, was a first resurrection. Yea, I admit it may be termed a resurrection; the raising of the spirit or the soul, and their consignation to happiness or misery, according to the words which have been spoken. And behold again it hath been spoken, that there is a first resurrection; a resurrection of all those who have been or who are, or who shall be, down to the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Now we do not suppose that this first resurrection which is spoken of in this manner, can be the resurrection of the souls, and their consignation to happiness or misery. Ye can not suppose that this is what it meaneth. Behold, I say unto, Nay; but it meaneth the reuniting of the soul with the body of those from the days of Adam, down to the resurrection of Christ. Now whether the souls and the bodies of those of whom have been spoken, shall all be reunited at once, the wicked as well as the righteous, I do not say; Let it suffice, that I say that they all come forth; or in other words, their resurrection cometh to pass before the resurrection of those who die after the resurrection of Christ. Now my son, I do not say that their resurrection cometh at the resurrection of Christ; but behold. I give it as my opinion, that the souls and the bodies are reunited, of the righteous at the resurrection of Christ, and his ascension into heaven. But whether it be at his resurrection, or after, I do not say; but this much I say, that there is a space between death and the resurrection of the body, and a state of the soul in happiness or in misery, until the time which is appointed of God that the dead shall come forth and be reunited, both soul and body, and be brought to stand before God, and be judged according to their works; Yea, this bringeth about the restoration of those things of which have been spoken by the mouths of the prophets. The soul shall be restored to the body, and the body to the soul; yea, and every limb and joint shall be restored to its body; yea, even a hair of the head shall not be lost, but all things shall be restored to their proper and perfect frame. Al 19:32-58 (73 B.C.)

And there cometh a resurrection, even a **first resurrection**; yea, even a resurrection of those that have been, and who are, and who shall be, even until the resurrection of Christ: for so shall he be called. And now, the resurrection of all the prophets, and all those that have believed in their words, or all those that have **kept the commandments of God, shall come forth in the first resurrection**; therefore, **they are the first resurrection**. They are raised to dwell with God who has redeemed them: thus they have eternal life through Christ, who has broken the bands of death. And **these are those who have part in the first resurrection**; and these are they that have died before Christ came, in their ignorance, not having salvation declared unto them. And thus the Lord bringeth about the restoration of these; and they have a part in the first resurrection, or have eternal life, being redeemed by the Lord. And little children also

have eternal life. But behold, and fear, and tremble before God; for ye ought to tremble: for the Lord redeemeth none such that rebel against him, and die in their sins; Yea, even all those that have perished in their sins ever since the world began, that have willfully rebelled against God, that have known the commandments of God, and would not keep them; these are they that have no part in the **first resurrection**. **Mos 8:55-62**

Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Matthew 27:50-53

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trump**: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, <u>and</u> we shall be changed. 1 Corinthians 15:51-52

There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the **child shall die an hundred years old**; <u>but</u> the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed. Isaiah 65:20

Note: The first resurrection is not a time period but rather it is defined as a resurrection of the just, those who have kept the commandments of God. The First resurrection takes place over the course of three thousand years beginning after the resurrection of Christ. The next group to take part in the first resurrection is all of the righteous dead who died since Christ. This first resurrection will take place at the Lord's 2nd coming, at the end of the Tribulation period. Thereafter, during the millennium, it seems likely that the resurrection of the just will take place when a righteous person reaches 100 years old. The second resurrection, or at the "second trump" at the end of the 1000 years is reserved for the unrighteous (see below)

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath

no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. Rev 20:1-15

And it shall come to pass that when the **second trump shall sound**, then shall they that **never knew me come forth**, and shall stand before me; Mos 11:133

Therefore that they (the three Nephites DLT) might not taste of death, there was a change wrought upon their bodies, that they might not suffer pain nor sorrow, save it were for the sins of the world. Now this change was not equal to that which should take place at the last day; but there was a change wrought upon them, **insomuch that**Satan could have no power over them, that he could not tempt them, and they were sanctified in the flesh, that they were holy, and that the powers of the earth could not hold them; 3N13:51, 52

Note:

- Those that come forth during the first resurrection, no matter when that takes place for them, will live with Christ on earth during His 1000 year reign.
- 2. At the first resurrection, the righteous are changed in such a way that we can never be tempted, go back to evil or turn against the Lord.
- 3. Per Rev 20, the sea and death give up their physical bodies of the unrighteous and "hell", the place where the unrighteous souls have been assigned since their death, will unite. Once the bodies and souls have been reunited, they are judged and cast into the Lake of Fire which is without end.

The Great Gulf

And the large and spacious building which thy father saw is vain imaginations and the pride of the children of men. And a great and a **terrible gulf divideth them**; yea, even the word of the justice of the eternal God, and the Messiah who is the Lamb of God, of whom the Holy Ghost beareth record, from the beginning of the world until this time, and from this time henceforth and for ever. **1N 3:126, 127**

And they said unto me, What meaneth the river of water which our father saw? And I said unto them, that the water which my father saw, was filthiness; And so much was his mind swallowed up in other things, that he beheld not the filthiness of the water; And I said unto them, that it was an awful gulf, which separateth the wicked from the tree of life, and also from the saints of God. And I said unto them, that it was a representation of that **awful hell**, which the angel said unto me was prepared for the wicked. And I said unto them that our father also saw, that the justice of God did also divide the wicked from the righteous; And the brightness thereof was like unto the brightness of a flaming fire, which ascendeth up unto God for ever and ever, and hath **no end**. And they said unto me, Doth this thing mean the torment of the body in the days of probation, or doth it mean the final state of the soul after the death of the temporal body, or doth it speak of the things which are temporal? And it came to pass that I said unto them, that it was a representation of things both temporal and spiritual; For the day should come that they must be judged of their works, yea, even the works which were done by the temporal body in their days of probation; Wherefore, if they should die in their wickedness, they must be cast off also, as to the things which are spiritual, which are pertaining to righteousness; Wherefore, they must be brought to stand before God to be judged of their works: And if their works have been filthiness, they must needs be filthy: And if they be filthy, it must needs be that they can not dwell in the kingdom of God: 1N4:43-56

There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Luke 16:19-26

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, **Now is come salvation**, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our

brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. **Revelation 12:10**

Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.

John 12:31

Final Note: To answer the question when was Paradise established? It was established from Adam and Eve to house the righteous saints. It is a common belief of many Bible commentary's that after Adam and Eve, that Paradise was moved from the Garden of Eden to below, or spiritually downward to shě'owl. Paradise was not in the prison house but it could be seen from that location. A great gulf separated these two locations. Although one cannot say with certainty, this view is consistent with Lehi and Nephi's visions, and also the story of Lazarus that Christ told. It also explains why David, a righteous person, said "For thou wilt not leave 5800 my soul 5315 in hell 7585 (shě'owl). After Christ's resurrection, Satan was cast out of heaven. Heaven was then purified for Christ and the resurrected souls (those that had been assigned to Paradise) to dwell. After this event, it appears that the new Paradise was established Heaven to house righteous souls that died after Christ's resurrection. This is where it abides today.