

# Death and Judgment

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Introduction:

**Ecclesiastes 7:2** It is better to go to a house of mourning Than to go to a house of feasting, because that is the end of every man, and the living takes it to heart.

**Hebrews 9:27** ... inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment.

## #1 What is the \_\_\_\_\_ view of death?

**Revelation 20:14** Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire.

1<sup>st</sup> **SPIRITUAL** death **Ephesians 2:1** ...you were dead in your trespasses and sins

2<sup>nd</sup> **ETERNAL** death **Revelation 20:14b** This is the second death, the lake of fire.

3<sup>rd</sup> **PHYSICAL** death **Genesis 35:18** It came about as her soul was departing (for she died), that she named him Ben-oni; but his father called him Benjamin. 19 So Rachel died and was buried

Stephen

Rachel

James

**James 2:26** For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

## #2 What is the biblical understanding of death for the \_\_\_\_\_ ?

1<sup>st</sup> Nothing will ever \_\_\_\_\_ you

**Romans 8:38-39** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, ... will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

2<sup>nd</sup> You never need to \_\_\_\_\_ death

**Hebrews 13:5b** I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you

3<sup>rd</sup> Believers are immediately ushered into the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ

**2 Corinthians 5:6-8** ...being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord— 7 for we walk by faith, not by sight— 8 we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

**Philippians 1:21-23** For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. 22 But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. 23 But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better;

**Luke 23:43** ... "Truly I say to you, 'today' you shall be with Me in Paradise."

### #3 What is the biblical understanding of death for the \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Revelation 20:14** Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

**Psalms 9:17** The wicked will return to Sheol, Even all the nations who forget God.

**Proverbs 23:14** You shall strike him with the rod And rescue his soul from Sheol.

**Luke 16:23** In Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his bosom.

**Matthew 11:23** And you, Capernaum, ... You will descend to Hades;

**Matthew 23:33** You serpents, you brood of vipers, how will you escape the sentence of hell?

**Romans 14:12** So then each one of us will give an account of himself to God.

### #4 What is a biblical understanding of the coming \_\_\_\_\_ ?

#### 1<sup>st</sup> The Bema Seat Judgment for \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

**1 Corinthians 3:12-15** Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, 13 each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work. 14 If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. 15 If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> The Sheep Goat Judgment for the removal of \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 25:32** All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; 33 and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left. 34 the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 41 Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels; 35 For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; 36 naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.'

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> The \_\_\_\_\_ judgment; the Great White Throne Judgment

**Revelation 20:12** And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. 15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Take home:

#### A - The Lord Jesus Christ is with you today in the midst of \_\_\_\_\_ and sorrow

**Lamentations 3:21** This I recall to my mind, Therefore I have hope. 22 The LORD'S lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail. 23 They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

#### B - Deeds of service and \_\_\_\_\_ today, matter greatly in eternity

#### C - Death is only a door to life eternal; but for the Christian, death means going \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Timothy 4:6-8** For I am already being poured out as a drink offering and 'the time of my departure has come

1-unleashing an animal from the burden of a cart;

2-releasing a prisoner from his shackles;

3-taking down a tent;

4-a ship leaving it's harbor

#### QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

1. Why do non-Christians fear death? Why do Christians fear death? What do Christians need to do in order to NOT fear death?
2. Define the three kinds of death listed above under major point 1. What is spiritual, eternal and physical death?
3. What difference should the Bema Judgment make in how a Christian lives, serves, gives, and shares?
4. What steps will you take this week to allow death and judgment to transform your lifestyle?

