

How Are We Judged?

This tract has been created to introduce those who are searching for truth set forth in God's word, and not based on the traditions of men and pagan religions.

As children of God, we must look for truth in what the scriptures teach us on how we will be judged. There are very few Churches that speak on how we will be judged, yet this is one of the most important messages we are to receive, but why? Well, if we do not know how we will be judged, then how will we know what we are to live by. Jesus warns us of the error in thinking we have the answers as how we are to live.

Matthew 7:21 - 23

Verse 21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Verse 22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

Verse 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

We must realize the sincerity of these people, whom have been misled, in knowing what the most important thing of all that we do as Christians. That is to do the will of God.

I Timothy 2:3, 4

Verse 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;

Verse 4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

Proverbs 3:5 - 7

Verse 5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

Verse 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Verse 7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

To do God's will we must keep God's word. Jesus warns us of the error in thinking we should set out our way of pleasing God and honouring His word. We only honour God's word when we keep it and not mankind's.

Matthew 15:9

Verse 9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Jesus cannot be any clearer. If your church has set aside the word of God to keep those given to us by man, even if it is to try and do even more; but does not keep the word of God then we will be rejected by Jesus when he comes.

Let us consider the things we have set aside falsely thinking we are serving God.

Matthew 5:18, 19

Verse 18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Verse 19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Many will tell you that the laws were fulfilled at the cross, but only the mosaic laws were done away with then.

Romans 2:11 - 15

Verse 11 For there is no respect of persons with God.

Verse 12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;

Verse 13 (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

Verse 14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves:

Verse 15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

Paul explains that the gentiles keep the law; but as it was meant to be in the spirit. Let us continue reading in Matthew.

Matthew 5:20 - 28

Verse 20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Verse 21 Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

Verse 22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of

the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

Verse 23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;

Verse 24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

Verse 25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

Verse 26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

Verse 27 Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:

Verse 28 But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

We see that Jesus uses two of the commandments to teach us of the spirit of the law; which is far beyond the act, it is the very thought. We want you to think about anyone who tells you that the law is no longer the measure for sin, and that it was done away with and remind them what Jesus said in Matthew. *“Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.”* Heaven and earth have not passed away, so this is one of the major doctrines that the Christian churches have felt they have the right to change. The next one is another major prophetic and doctrinal teaching that is the Lord’s Supper, and this prophecy comes directly from the Lord Jesus. The Christian churches teach that Jesus died Friday and was resurrected Sunday. This time line cannot be correct because Jesus, when being asked by the Pharisees for another sign, tells them there will be no more signs with the exception of the sign of Jonah.

Matthew 12:38 - 40

Verse 38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.

Verse 39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

Verse 40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

You cannot crucify Jesus on Friday and resurrect him on Sunday and have him fulfill his own prophecy. This would give you three partial days and only two nights. Some count part days as whole, but Jesus clearly tells us what constitutes a day.

John 11:9

Verse 9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.

Jesus’ world, as ours consists of a 12-hour day and a 12-hour night. This is really a major doctrine to change as the Christian churches have chosen to do it in order to keep a pagan Eostar festival now called Easter. We can choose to believe the teachings of man or choose to believe the teachings of Jesus. If you would like to study the death and resurrection time line refer to our tract *Three Days and Three Nights*. There is one final doctrine we want to point out to you before we cover the reason for this snap shot look at these doctrinal changes by the Christian churches. This is so we will understand the basis of how we are judged. The last is the doctrine set down, and exemplified to us by the living God at creation.

Genesis 2:2, 3

Verse 2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

Verse 3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

The seventh day is the day that God sanctified, that is set aside and blessed. The seventh day Sabbath is to commemorate God being the creator of heaven and earth. We are told this in the ten commandments.

Exodus 20:8 - 11

Verse 8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Verse 9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

Verse 10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

Verse 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the

seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

In verse eleven we are told that God created the heaven and the earth. He is its creator and nothing can change that. Many Christian churches teach that the commandments, this would include the keeping of the Sabbath, were introduced by Moses after being delivered from Egypt. This is not correct.

Genesis 26:5

Verse 5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

This is four hundred and fifty years before Moses brought down the stone tablets where God wrote the laws with His finger. So, we see that God's ordinances, statutes and laws were known well before Moses delivered them to Israel. We also see that Isaiah speaks to the Sabbath being in the new earth.

Isaiah 66:22, 23

Verse 22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.

Verse 23 And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.

The key statement here is all flesh will come from one Sabbath to the next. Jesus kept the Sabbath and will keep it in the new heaven and earth. Paul also kept the Sabbath and preached to Jew and Gentile

Acts 18:4 - 11

Verse 4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

Verse 5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ.

Verse 6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

Verse 7 And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

Verse 8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

Verse 9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

Verse 10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

Verse 11 And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

We see here that Paul preached to Jew and Gentile and spent one and a half years every Sabbath day preaching to them. If a new day were to be kept, we are sure Paul would have introduced it at some point over the year and a half. Finally on this doctrine we see that John in Revelation tells us that those who will be saved are commandment keepers that have the faith and testimony of Jesus.

Revelation 12:17

Verse 17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 14:12

Verse 12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

So why, on a tract that is to show how we will be judged, have we spent so much time on showing you doctrines which few of the Christian churches keep? So, you can see that God is fair, and has extended to us more than we deserve in his abundant grace. Let us take the first example of our judgement.

Hebrews 4:12

Verse 12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

If you believe in the Bible, how concerned should you be about the churches that have changed this living word? We need to also consider that if we accept the false teachings of those who have set aside Jesus' words whose follower are we?

John 8:47

Verse 47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

In II Timothy we are told our error in these last days.

II Timothy 4:3

Verse 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

Let us see what Jesus says about his word.

John 12:47, 48

Verse 47 And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.

Verse 48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

The words that Jesus has spoken will judge us in the day of the Lord, and remember this.

I Peter 4:17

Verse 17 For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it first begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Deuteronomy 18:19

Verse 19 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require *it* of him.

These are only a few scriptures that warn us from not following God's word. We ask you, whose word are you following? Those brought to us by Jesus or those of men making up their own doctrines worshipping God in vain. We will give you one more scripture that clearly tells us that the words that will judge us are the books of the Bible. Revelations 20:11, 12

Verse 11 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.

Verse 12 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.

The book we are told is the book of life where the righteous are recorded; but what do you think it is that makes up these books which we are told we will be judged by? These are the books of the Bible which Jesus told us we would be judged by. The words of God that Jesus delivered to all the earth and was recorded of our saviour Jesus the Christ.

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