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THE JUDGMENT DAY

(1 Thess. 5:1-11)

INTRODUCTION: (Heb. 9:27) "appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment ... "

(2 Peter 3:10) "but the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night ... "
(v12) "the coming of the day of God"

The message or lesson of judgment is that we are to be ready; prepare; obey the gospel message.

(2 Cor. 6:2) "now is the day of salvation" (Acts 3:19-20) "repent ye ... "

(2 Peter 3:9-10) "all should come to repentance ..." (v11) "what manner of persons ought ye to be ..."

(Amos 4:12) "prepare to meet thy God"

BIBLICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE "JUDGMENT DAY"

1. IT IS UNIVERSAL: no one will be left out; absent; excused.

(Rms. 14:10) "all stand before the judgment seat of Christ" (Matt. 25:32) "gathered all the nations"
(John 5:28-29) "all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and come forth"

2. IT IS INDIVIDUAL: (Rms. 14:12) "each of us" (2 Cor. 5:10) "that each one"

3. IT IS A DAY OF ETERNAL SEPARATION: (Matt. 25:33-34, 41, 46)

4. IT IS ACCORDING TO "BOOKS": (Rev. 20:12) "... books were opened ..."

1) "the book of life" - heaven's record of the spiritual family; the saved. (see v15)

2) the Bible

(John 12:48-50) "the word that I spake, the same shall judge him in the last day"

(2 Thess. 1:7-10) "obey not the gospel ... shall be punished with everlasting destruction ..."

(Rms. 2:2) "the judgment of God is according to truth"

(John 17:17) "thy word is truth"

(Rms. 2:16) "when God shall judge the secrets of men, according to my gospel, by Jesus Christ"

Ignorance of the law is no excuse.

3) "according to their works" - a book of works?

No! It is not works of merit, not quantity, and not an attitude that says, "God, you owe me."

(Eph. 2:8-10) "by grace are ye saved through faith ... not of works ... unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them"

Biblical symbol or illustration of God keeping records:

(Ex. 32:33) "him will I blot out of my book" (Psalm 69:28) "let them be blotted out of the book of the living ..."

(Dan. 7:10) "the judgment seat was set, and books were opened"

(Malachi 3:16) "and a book of remembrance was written"

(Luke 2:20) "names are written in heaven" (Phil. 4:3) "names are in the book of life"

An illustration we understand, there is a record kept of our deeds:

(Matt. 16:27) "then shall he render unto every man according to his deeds"

(1 Cor. 3:8) "own reward according to his own labor" (1 Peter 1:17) "each man's work"

Warning: names may be blotted out (Ex. 32:33 and Psalm 69:28)

This subject is vital to salvation: (Rev. 20:15 and Rev. 21:27)

5. IT IS FINAL JUDGMENT: (Matt. 7:21-23)

6. IT HAS A "RIGHTEOUS JUDGE": (2 Tim. 4:6-8 and Romans 2:11) No mistakes.