

Lesson for Tuesday, September 6th, 2022

Ok, now on to the lesson at hand tonight.

Just a note before we begin - What does the word **GRACE** – in scripture mean?

Who can tell me the opposite of Grace?

What was the uniqueness of the Apostle Paul's ministry?

We have discussed in the past the importance of this ministry to the church – What do you remember about it?

Starting tonight We will be looking at the Judgments listed in scripture.

First may I say that there is a common opinion within the church that the millennium (1000 year reign) is to be ushered in by the preaching of the gospel – and after the millennium there is to be a GENERAL RESURRECTION – followed by a General Judgment, and then the earth is to be destroyed by fire.

BELOVED, THIS IS NOT SCRIPTURAL

The reason this is untrue is; scripture talks about one judgment as being in the AIR, another on the EARTH, and a third in HEAVEN.

Listed references are; (air) 1 thes 4:16&17- 2 Cor 5: 6-10 (earth) Matt; 25: 31-46 **READ THIS** and (Heaven) Rev: 20: 11-15 **READ THIS**

What is another word for the word Judgments?

Romans 8:1

We will view JUDGMENTS from several aspects.

There are 5 general aspects of Judgments.

We will look at each one.

They are The **subjects** (1)– the **time** (2)– the **place** (3)the **Basis** (4)of Judgment and the **results** (5)

The first Judgment - #1 is regarding **SIN**

Very very important we understand this.

Regarding the subjects – this first judgment is for the **entire world**.

Famous verse – *John 3:16* - However as important a verse is *John 3:18*

Again – many times you have heard me say this – **2 kinds of folks in the world**.

Believers go to heaven – unbelievers do not – simple as that - However both still sin.

There is no 3rd program. Everyone falls into one of these 2

What was the **time** of this judgment?- A.D. 30

From the cross – Jesus cried out “my God, my God why have thou forsaken me?”

From the O.T. – Moses lifted up the serpent on the pole – **John 3:14**

Numbers 21 7-9 (read it)

Regarding the **Place** – Calvary or Golgotha (Greek word) located immediately outside of Jerusalem walls – near the city – outside the city gates Matt 27:33 & following-

Regarding the **Basis** of the Judgment

This is very important – the Basis of the Judgment is the “finished work of Jesus Christ.

There is nothing to be added to His finished work.

It cannot be improved upon – added to or taken away –

Christ cried out from the Cross – It is finished. What did He mean?

Found only in the Gospel of John.

Accounting term meaning “Paid in full”

The debt owed to His Father – was paid in full – wiped completely clean – never to be discussed again – Jesus wiped it away

Read **John 17:4 - Luke 19:10 Romans 3:23-25**

Then 2nd **Cor 5:18-19**

From the “seed” who would “crush” the serpents head of Genesis 3 to the suffering servant of Isaiah 53 – It is finished

What else was “finished” at the cross? The sufferings He felt, His perfect obedience to the Father - John 5:30 and the “flaming arrows of the evil one **Eph 6:16** and those of us are now “alive with Christ – **Eph 2:1-5**

THIS JUDGMENT IS PAST AND OUR PROOF TEXT IS ROMANS 10:4

Christ is the end of the law and its punishment to all who believe.

Romans 8: 1 John 5:24 - We who believe have passed from death – to life.

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