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## **1 John 4:10-21 TITLE: MAKE YOUR DADDY PROUD!**

Since, I'm a child of God and I get up every day consumed with this ONE THOUGHT...."What can I do today to make my Daddy proud of me?"

Confidence at the Bema

KEY VERSE: 4:17 tied with 1 John 2:26-3:3

**How bummed would you be with me,** if I didn't tell you something very, very special that is going to happen to you soon... and that when it happens, you wished you were aware of it beforehand, so you could make changes if necessary NOW, before it happens??????  
THE BEMA!!!!!!

## **THE BEMA TO COME FOR BELIEVERS**

**1John 4:15** *Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. <sup>16</sup> We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. <sup>17</sup> **By this, love is perfected with us,** so that we may have **confidence in the day of judgment**; because as He is, so also are we in this world. <sup>18</sup> There is **no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear**, because fear involves punishment, **and the one who fears is not perfected in love.***

**QUESTION: Is John talking about the GWT Judgment or the Bema Judgment for believers?**

1. AUDIENCE: John is talking to Believers
2. John has already JUST talked to these same believers about having "confidence" before Jesus at His Second Coming...
3. The ONLY Judgment for believers is what's called the BEMA

**REVIEW: 1John 2:27** *As for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His*

anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, **you abide in Him.** <sup>28</sup> Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him. <sup>3:1</sup> See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. <sup>3</sup> **And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.**

1. **When you understand that God is LOVE and that God LOVES YOU,** there is no room for fear on the day of GWT judgment because God has already taken care of our penalty for sin and therefore the ONLY day of judgment John can be speaking of is the judgment of believers for rewards AT THE BEMA!
2. **The BEMA is a very specific judgment for all BELIEVERS**
3. **The day of Judgment of "Believers' at the BEMA is never for punishment** (Rom. 8:1-"No Condemnation for those in Christ Jesus", because the Father LOVES You and is looking for anything He can reward you for at THIS judgment)
4. **The day of Judgment of "Believers' at the BEMA is never for wrath,** or out of God's anger, BECAUSE GOD LOVE'S HIS CHILDREN and THE BEMA is NOT connected to salvation or eternal life in any way!

**THE BEMA** is a day of great joy for faithful disciples and a day of sobriety for Christians who have been lazy with their faith in this life...

Look at **GWT JUDGMENT OF REV. 21, NOTE: He will wipe away our tears...**  
**Rev. 20:11** Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds. <sup>14</sup> Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. <sup>15</sup> And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. **21:1** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them," <sup>4</sup> and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away." <sup>5</sup> And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." <sup>6</sup> Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost. <sup>7</sup> "He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son." <sup>8</sup> "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Billy the Following is for ONE SLIDE

## **Here is a comparison between the GWT and BEMA JUDGEMENTS**

### **BEMA Judgment**

Rom. 14:10-12

1 Cor. 3:10-15

2 Cor. 5:9-10

### **FOR BELIEVERS**

Before King Jesus

Rewards faithful service

At return of Christ

No Condemnation

ROM. 8:1

and Rewards for faithful  
service, 1 Cor. 3

Serve God faithfully  
with pure motives  
through power of His  
Holy Spirit and grace

Scripture support

Who will be judged?

Who will be the judge?

What is the Purpose?

When will it happen?

What is the criteria?

What should we be doing now?

### **GWT Judgment**

Rev. 20:11-15

Heb. 9:27

### **FOR UNBELIEVERS**

Before King Jesus

Final separation from God

Before new heaven and earth

Those "Spiritually" dead, given  
final appeal of "dead works"  
with no appeal

Get another Daddy, as the one  
you have now wants company in  
hell! Place personal faith in Christ  
Jesus for forgiveness of all sin!

## **WHAT KIND OF REWARDS will Jesus dispense at the BEMA?**

**I DON'T KNOW!!!!!!! ☺...NONE WITHOUT GRACE OF GOD!!!!!!!!!!**

And each one given out to those who don't deserve them but ONLY in and  
though the GRACE of God for doing what we should be doing anyway in faith  
and **with the right motives to the Glory of God!!!!**

## **BUT WE KNOW SOME OF THEM...here just a few**

**"Crowns" from Paul and John in Rev.**

**Unspecified from Jesus in The Book of Matthew**

**Unspecified in Rev. 22:12** *"Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is  
with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done."*

**NO REWARD WOULD BE POSSIBLE APART FROM CHRIST AND HOLY SPIRIT**

**Ruling and reigning with Jesus in parables of faithful servants**

## Hebrews: Immortalized names of the faithful gone before us

These are from Revelation.....OVER 30 ☺

*Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death.'*

*To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.'*

*He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations; <sup>27</sup> and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of the potter are broken to pieces, as I also have received authority from My Father; <sup>28</sup> and I will give him the morning star. <sup>29</sup> 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.*

*He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; **and I will not erase his name from the book of life,** and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. <sup>6</sup> 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.*

*'I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, so that no one will take your crown.*

*'He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name. <sup>13</sup> 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'*

*He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. <sup>22</sup> 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'"*

**AND AGAIN...THE LAST THING WE READ IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION with GWT 😊**

*Rev. 22:12 Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done.*

**QUESTION FOR ALL:**

**Am I a Good and Faithful Servant of Christ** or will Jesus have to wipe away the tears of shame from my eyes at His coming?

**DO SOMETHING TO MAKE YOUR DADDY PROUD!**

**Remember:** Jesus teaching about being READY for His return taught his disciples this parable...

**Matt. 25:21** *"His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'"*