

The Great Day Of Judgment

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There is a Judgment Day to which we are all headed. Hebrews 9:27 says, "And it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment." Our appointment for the Day of Judgment cannot be cancelled. The Day of Judgment is certain, inevitable, and no way to escape it. "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad" (2 Corinthians 5:10). There is nothing hidden from the Lord. He knows everything about us. "For God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:14).

Judgment Day is certain. The day has already been appointed. Acts 17:31 says, "Because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained". Every person who has ever lived will be there. No one will be overlooked or left out. Judgment is certain. "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats" (Matthew 25:32). We today will be judged by the words of the New Testament. Jesus says, "the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day" (John 12:48).

The Day of Judgment will come with many surprises. It will be a shock for the majority of people. Jesus says, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name? And then I will declare to them, I never knew you, depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness" (Matthew 7:22-23). "I never knew you, depart from Me" will be the worse thing that will ever be said to an individual. "Well done...enter into the joy of your Lord" (Matthew 25:21) will be the greatest thing one will ever hear. Which one do you want to hear? Our number priority in this life must be to prepare to stand before the Lord in judgment, because we will. Are you ready for Judgment Day to come?