

I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

1 PETER 1:3

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

THE PROMISE OF RESURRECTION AFTER DEATH

1 COR 15:42-44

⁴² So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³ It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.

1 COR 15:52

⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

REGARDING JESUS' REVELATION WHAT IS FIRST?

REVELATION 19:11

¹¹ Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The One sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

REVELATION 19:14

¹⁴ And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

REVELATION 20:4-5

⁴ Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

It's the Resurrection of the Martyred

3 QUESTIONS ARISE AT THIS POINT:
WHAT ABOUT EVERYONE ELSE WHO HAS DIED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF CREATION? WHEN ARE THEY RESURRECTED? & WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF THE PEOPLE ON EARTH WHO WEREN'T AT THE BATTLE (THE ONES STILL ALIVE)- WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM?

REVELATION 20:5

⁵ The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection.

THE NEXT QUESTION THAT ARISES AT THIS POINT IS:
WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE MARTYRS?

REVELATION 20:6

Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

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Paul says (according to Christ revelation to him) that the Dead **IN CHRIST will rise first**

For the Lord Himself will come down from heaven with a shout of command, with the voice of the archangel and with the [blast of the] trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 1 THESS 4:16

& Those Who Are Alive

1 Thessalonians 4:17 (AMP)

¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain [on the earth] will *simultaneously* be caught up (raptured) together with them [the resurrected ones] in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord!

With bodies like Christ's

who, by exerting that power which enables Him even to subject everything to Himself, will [not only] transform [but completely refashion] our *earthly* bodies so that they will be like His glorious resurrected body. PHILLIPIANS 3:21

All will be resurrected with new bodies.

DANIEL 1:22

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake (resurrect), these to everlasting life, but some to disgrace and everlasting contempt (abhorrence).

Condemned

Do not be surprised at this; for a time is coming when all those who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ²⁹ and they will come out—those who did good things [will come out] to a resurrection of [new] life, but those who did evil things [will come out] to a resurrection of judgment [that is, to be sentenced]. JOHN 5:28-29

Those Still Here

Luke 17:34-37 ESV

³⁴ I tell you, in that night there will be two in one bed. One will be taken and the other left. ³⁵ There will be two women grinding together. One will be taken and the other left. ³⁷ And they said to him, “Where, Lord?” He said to them, “Where the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

& All Will Be Judged

Then death and Hades [the realm of the dead] were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire [the eternal separation from God]. ¹⁵ And if anyone’s name was not found written in the Book of Life, he was hurled into the lake of fire. REV 20:14-15

When we read the New Testament & we see Scripture that speak of Christ return – know this – the writer’s knowledge & understanding CAME from Christ. Christ directly gives us HIS Revelation – EVERYTHING that has been shared & revealed from Matthew to Jude are based on the TRUTH of HIS WORDS & not the interpretation on Man’s fallible word.

GOD

Holy Eternal **Infinite** Immortal **Invisible** All Knowing
Everywhere Present **All Powerful** Unchanging
Incomparable Righteous **Perfect** Awesome &
Majestic Gracious **Spirit**

HE is impartial

For God shows no partiality [no arbitrary favoritism; with Him one person is not more important than another]. ROM 2:11

HE requires Death for Sin

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God [that is, His remarkable, overwhelming gift of grace to believers] is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. ROM 6:23

But HE offers forgiveness

If we [freely] admit that we have sinned and confess our sins, He is faithful and just [true to His own nature and promises], and will forgive our sins and cleanse us continually from all unrighteousness [our wrongdoing, everything not in conformity with His will and purpose]. 1 JOHN 1:9

To Be Judged

Judging both...

I said to myself, "God will judge both the righteous and the wicked," for there is a time [appointed] for every matter and for every deed. ECC 3:17

JESUS will Judge ALL

I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: 2 TIM 4:1

THERE IS THE WRATH OF GOD & THE JUDGEMENT OF GOD

The Day of Judgement 2 PET 2:9
The Day of the Lord 1 THESS 5:2
The Day of God's Wrath ROM 2:5-6
The Great Day JUDE 6
The Day 1 COR 3:13

us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope *and* confident assurance of salvation.

9 For God has not destined us to [incur His] wrath [that is, He did not select us to condemn us], but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died [willingly] for us, so that whether we are awake (alive) or asleep (dead) [at Christ's appearing], we will live together with Him [sharing eternal life]. ¹¹ Therefore encourage *and* comfort one another and build up one another, just as you are doing.

The Day of God's Wrath | ROMANS 2:5-6

⁵ But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on **the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment** will be revealed.

⁶ He will render to each one according to his works:

The Great Day | JUDE 6

⁶ And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness **until the judgment of the great day**—

The Day | 1 COR 3:13

¹³ each one's work will become manifest, for **the Day** will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done.

WRATH | 3709. orgé

anger, wrath, passion; punishment, vengeance meaning, 'to teem, to swell'; and thus implies that it is not a sudden outburst, but rather (**referring to God's**) **fixed, controlled, passionate feeling against sin** . . . a *settled* indignation

WHO IS JUDGED?

The Living & The Dead

He commanded us to preach to the people [both Jew and Gentile], and to solemnly testify that He is the One who has been appointed and ordained by God as Judge of the living and the dead.

ACTS 10:42

ALL Nations

“But when the Son of Man comes in His glory and majesty and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.³² All the nations will be gathered before Him [for judgment]; and He will separate them from one another, as a shepherd separates his sheep from the goats; MATT 25:31-32

WHEN IS JUDGEMENT

WHEN CHRIST RETURNS

“But of that [exact] day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son [in His humanity], but the Father alone.”³⁷ For the coming of the Son of Man (the Messiah) will be just like the days of Noah.³⁸ For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the [very] day when Noah entered the ark,³⁹ and they did not know or understand until the flood came and swept them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be [unexpected judgment].
MATT 24:36-39

WHAT IS THE BASIS OF JUDGEMENT?

Our Faithfulness | John 5:24-26 (AMP)

²⁴ “I assure you and most solemnly say to you, and does not come into judgment and condemnation the person who hears My word [the one who heeds My message], and believes and trusts in Him who sent Me, has (possesses now) eternal

two more. ¹⁸ But the one who had received the one went and dug a *hole* in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹ "Now after a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ And the one who had received the five talents came and brought him five more, saying, 'Master, you entrusted to me five talents. See, I have [made a profit and] gained five more talents.' ²¹ His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful *and* trustworthy over a little, I will put you in charge of many things; share in the joy of your master.' ²² "Also the one who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you entrusted two talents to me. See, I have [made a profit and] gained two more talents.' ²³ His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful *and* trustworthy over a little, I will put you in charge of many things; share in the joy of your master.' ²⁴ "The one who had received one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a harsh and demanding man, reaping [the harvest] where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter *seed*.' ²⁵ So I was afraid [to lose the talent], and I went and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is your own.' ²⁶ "But his master answered him, 'You wicked, lazy servant, you knew that I reap [the harvest] where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter *seed*.' ²⁷ Then you ought to have put my money with the bankers, and at my return I would have received my *money* back with interest.' ²⁸ So take the talent away from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.' ²⁹ **For to everyone who has [and values his blessings and gifts from God, and has used them wisely], more will be given, and [he will be richly supplied so that] he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have [because he has ignored or disregarded his blessings and gifts from God], even what he does have will be taken away.**

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH YOUR NEW LIFE?

2 TIMOTHY 4:8

⁸In the future there is reserved for me the [victor's] crown of righteousness [for being right with God and doing right], which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that [great] day—and not to me only, but also to all those who have loved *and* longed for *and* welcomed His appearing.

SO,WHAT SHOULD OUR ATTITUDE BE?

WE ARE EXHORTED TO

Mark 13:23 (AMP)

²³But be on your guard: I have told you everything in advance.

Mark 13:33 (AMP)

³³“Be on guard and stay constantly alert [and pray]; for you do not know when the *appointed* time will come.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:6

⁶So then let us not sleep [in spiritual indifference] as the rest [of the world does], but let us keep wide awake [alert and cautious] and let us be sober [self-controlled, calm, and wise].

MATTHEW 25:13

¹³Therefore, be on the alert [be prepared and ready], for you do not know the day nor the hour [when the Son of Man will come].

HOW MANY PARABLES THAT JESUS SPOKE DO YOU THINK DEALT WITH THE VERY LAST DAYS?

MATTHEW 25:1-13

²⁵“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins, who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish [thoughtless, silly, and careless], and five were wise [far-sighted, practical, and sensible]. ³For

GOING DEEPER | Read the following Parables from Jesus.

The Weeds Among the Wheat - Matthew 13:24-30

It's the same field & there was the good seed [faithful followers] and there are the tares - who are the tares? _____

In verse 30, where [in your environment] might these seeds & tares being growing together? _____

Marriage Feast or Great Banquet - Matthew 22:1-14

Who is the King? _____ Who had been invited, but paid no attention & went on going about their business? _____ It says in verse 6 that they seized his slaves and mistreated them and killed them - who were these slaves? _____

_____? So, those initially invited were not worthy - so the King tells them to go and invite as many as they find and so, they went out and gathered all they found - both evil and good - in verse 11, what did the King see? _____

In verse 12, what did the King ask the man? _____

What happened to the man? _____

What is 'outer darkness' and 'weeping and gnashing of teeth' represent? _____

Write out verse 14:

_____ called _____ chosen.

Called, 2822. Klétos, Usage: called, invited, summoned by God to an office or to salvation.

This word focuses on God's *general* call - i.e. the call (invitation) He gives to all people, so all can receive His salvation. God desires every person to call out to Him and receive His salvation (1 Tim 2:4,5).

Chosen, 1588. Eklektos, Usage: chosen out, elect, choice, select, sometimes as subst: of those chosen out by God for the rendering of special service to Him (of the Hebrew race, particular Hebrews, the Messiah, and the Christians). It describes people who choose to follow the Lord, i.e. become *God's choice* by freely receiving *faith* ([4102](#) /*pístis*) from Him.

The Budding Fig Tree [Compare Matthew & Mark's documentation of the same event]

Matthew 24:32-35

³² "Now learn the parable from the fig tree when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near; ³³ so, you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, *right* at the door. ³⁴ Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³⁵ Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. ³⁶ "But of that day and hour no

Mark 13:28-33

²⁸ "Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ Even so, you too, when you see these things happening, recognize that He is near, *right* at the door. ³⁰ Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. ³² But of that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven,

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heed, keep on the alert; for you do not know when the *appointed* time will come.

Notes: _____

The Faithful vs. The Wicked Servant - Matthew 24:45-51

⁴² “Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. ⁴⁴ For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think *He will*. ⁴⁵ “Who then is the faithful and sensible slave whom his master put in charge of his household to give them their food at the proper time? ⁴⁶ Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes. ⁴⁷ Truly I say to you that he will put him in charge of all his possessions. ⁴⁸ But if that evil slave says in his heart, ‘My master is not coming for a long time,’ ⁴⁹ and begins to beat his fellow slaves and eat and drink with drunkards; ⁵⁰ the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect *him* and at an hour which he does not know, ⁵¹ and will cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Mark 13:33-37

³³ “Take heed, keep on the alert; for you do not know when the *appointed* time will come. ³⁴ *It is like a man away on a journey, who upon leaving his house and putting his slaves in charge, assigning to each one his task, also commanded the doorkeeper to stay on the alert.* ³⁵ Therefore, be on the alert—for you do not know when the master of the house is coming, whether in the evening, at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning— ³⁶ in case he should come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷ What I say to you I say to all, ‘Be on the alert!’”

Notes: _____

- Ten Talents or Gold Coins - Matthew 25:14-30
- The Rich Man and Lazarus - Luke 16:19-31

Now that you have completed this lesson:

- Briefly give a definition of your Biblical stance for your belief.
- Write down 3 specific places in Scripture that clearly states your understanding.

As defined by the Bible, **Resurrection** is _____

Scripture that supports this statement is:

As defined by the Bible, **Judgement** is _____

Scripture that supports this statement is:

NOTE: YOU MAY FIND THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING WILL GO DEEPER AS YOU MOVE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING LESSONS. FEEL FREE TO REVAMP & ADD TO YOUR STATEMENTS AS YOU GROW SPIRITUALLY MATURE.