

The Five Judgements of God

The common misconception of God's Judgement is that of a single general judgement at the end of the age, when all peoples are resurrected and appear before God. Our lives and actions are then reviewed, and a final judgement is made whether we spend eternity in Heaven or Hell. The earth then is to be destroyed by fire, and all enter into a spiritual eternity. In actuality, there are FIVE separate Judgements by God, as shown below from the scriptures. Each differs as to the **Subjects** judged, the **Time**, **Place**, **Basis**, and **Result** of judgement. God's people spend eternity **NOT** in heaven, but **ON EARTH** in glorified physical bodies under the rulership of Christ who is enthroned in the **New Jerusalem** which comes down from heaven to the earth.

I. Judgment of SIN

A. Subjects: Believers as to SIN B. Time: A.D. 30 C. Place: Calvary	D. Basis of Judgement: Christ's FINISHED WORK E. Result of Judgement: Justification (Righteousness) of the Sinner
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1. **ROM 10:4** For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.
2. **GAL 3:13** Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree."
3. **1PE 2:24** who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree (cross), that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.
4. **ROM 8:1** There is therefore now NO CONDEMNATION to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
5. **JOH 5:24** Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me HAS everlasting life, and SHALL NOT COME INTO JUDGMENT, but has passed from death into life.

II. Judgment of WORKS of the Righteous (see "The Judgement Seat of Christ")

A. Subjects: Believers as to WORKS B. Time: After the rapture C. Place: Judgement Seat (Bema) of Christ	D. Basis of Judgement: The Believer's WORKS after salvation E. Result of Judgement: Rewards or Loss
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6. **2CO 5:10** For we must all appear before **THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST**, that **EACH ONE** may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.
7. **1CO 4:5** Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait till the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of men's hearts. At that time each will receive his praise from God.
8. **1CO 9:24** Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. 25 Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. 26 Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. 27 No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.
9. **1CO 3:11** For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, 13 his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. 14 If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. 15 If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.

III. Judgment of His Chosen People (BOTH Jews and Gentiles)

A. Subjects: His People B. Time: The Great Tribulation C. Place: All over the World, but focusing on Jerusalem & vicinity	D. Basis of Judgement: Rejection of the Godhead E. Result of Judgement: Their repentance, conversion, & acceptance of Yeshua Hamaschia
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11. **JER 30:4** These are the words the LORD spoke concerning Israel and Judah: 5 "This is what the LORD says: "Cries of fear are heard— terror, not peace. 6 Ask & see: Can a man bear children? Then why do I see every strong man with his hands on his stomach like a woman in labor, every face turned deathly pale? 7 How awful THAT DAY will be! None will be like it. It will be A TIME OF TROUBLE for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it.
12. **DAN 12:1** "At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; And there shall be A TIME OF TROUBLE, Such as never was since there was a nation, Even to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book.
13. **ISA 8:7** And the LORD told him: "Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king.
14. **LUK 23:18** With one voice they cried out, "Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!"
15. **ACT 7:51** "You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers: You always resist the Holy Spirit!"

16. **MAT 24:21** “For **then there will be GREAT TRIBULATION, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.** 22 “And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened. 30 “Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 “And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.
17. **ZEC 14:1** A **day of the LORD** is coming when your plunder will be divided among you. 2 **I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city.** 3 **Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations, as he fights in the day of battle.** 4 On **that day** his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south. 5 You will flee by my mountain valley, for it will extend to Azel. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. **Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.** 6 On **that day** there will be no light, no cold or frost. 7 It will be a unique day, without daytime or nighttime—a day known to the LORD. When evening comes, there will be light. 8 **On THAT DAY living water will flow out from Jerusalem,** half to the eastern sea and half to the western sea, in summer and in winter. 9 **The LORD will be king over the whole earth. On THAT DAY there will be one LORD, and his name the only name.** 10 The whole land, from Geba to Rimmon, south of Jerusalem, will become like the Arabah. But Jerusalem will be raised up and remain in its place, from the Benjamin Gate to the site of the First Gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the royal winepresses. 11 It will be inhabited; never again will it be destroyed. Jerusalem will be secure.
18. **ZEC 12:10** “And **I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son.**

IV. Judgment of THE NATIONS

A. Subjects: The GENTILE NATIONS	D. Basis of Judgement: Their treatment of the Jews
B. Time: At the Revelation of Jesus Christ	E. Result of Judgement: Some nations will be SAVED. Others will be DESTROYED.
C. Place: The THRONE OF HIS GLORY	

19. **MAT 25:31** “**When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory.** 32 **All the NATIONS (Gk ethnos) will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.** 33 He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. 34 “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ 37 “**Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’** 38 **When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?’** 39 **When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’** 40 “**The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’** 41 “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’ 44 “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’ 45 “He will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ 46 “**Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”**
20. **JOE 3:1** “In those days and at that time, when I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 **I will gather all nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There I will enter into judgment against them concerning my inheritance, my people Israel, for they scattered my people among the nations and divided up my land.**

V. Judgment of WORKS of the Unrighteous Dead

A. Subjects: The WICKED DEAD	D. Basis of Judgement: Their WORKS
B. Time: During Renovation of Earth by Fire	E. Result of Judgement: Cast into the LAKE OF FIRE
C. Place: At the GREAT WHITE THRONE	

21. **REV 20:11** Then **I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it.** Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. 12 **And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.** 13 The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. 14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. 15 **If anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.**