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Seat of Judgment

God will not condemn anyone or judge anyone until they are tried. God will not, **just arbitrarily send you to hell first**, without a trial! But, do you know what? That while we are alive and on this earth, and the choice in which way we choose to live our lives, either by choosing God or Satan, as our life style, **is our trial!!!!** We get to pick our own punishment! If you do not elect to follow God and come to Him while you are alive and to serve Him on this earth; then, when you die – **YOU WILL GO TO HELL!!!** Look what happened to the rich man when he and Lazarus died, in Luke 16:19-31. *“There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man’s table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham’s bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father’s house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham said unto him, they have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, it they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.”* In verse 26, it says that we enter into this great gulf when we die. If

we know Jesus and have accepted Him as our Saviour and Lord while we still have this chance, while alive, that we will have angels to care for us; but, what happened to the rich man when he died and he had not accepted Jesus as his Saviour and Lord while he was alive???

In Philippians 2:12, we are told to, each one of us, to, “... *work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.*” We are told to do this in Romans 10:9,10,13, “*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.*” And in Romans 6:23 the scripture tells us what sin brings to man if we do not accept Jesus’ salvation, then it tells us the good news. If you do not live for God and accept Him while you are alive on this earth; then, **the only way you can live, is in sin!** There is no other choice to make, and they are both yours!!!! “*For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.*” **DO YOU KNOW THAT YOU ARE GOING TO LIVE FOR EVER, AN ETERNITY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT CHOICE YOU CHOOSE???? IT IS TOTALLY YOUR CHOICE IF YOU LIVE IN HEAVEN WITH GOD OR IN HELL WITH SATAN FOR YOUR ETERNITY!!!!**

Once you die, then the choices are voided!!!! You have no other choice nor can you make another choice or change your choice which you have made while alive. If you did not accept Jesus, then you chose Satan, by default. Since you were born in the U.S.A. or have moved here, with all the freedom of religion we have and are not suppressed in our religious beliefs, we have all, at least once, heard the word of Jesus. This is our choice to chose from, Jesus or Satan!

Why have you heard all of this and still are refusing to make your choice for Jesus? Why do you not want to hear? Once the end of your life has come on this earth; you have just started your eternal life. **WHERE WILL IT BE????**

In Proverbs 27:1 we are taught, *“Boast not thyself of to tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.”* We are not guaranteed a tomorrow, because Hebrews 9:27 says, *“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:”* Are you ready to play the lottery on your eternity? Are you willing to go another minute, knowing that you are not promised another minute? Can you gamble on your salvation? **It is the grandest and most precious possession you will ever own!!! WILL YOU GAMBLE ON YOUR OWN SALVATION?????** Will you gamble on your eternal home, heaven or hell??

While we are alive and here on this earth, Philippians 2:10,11 tells us *“That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth: and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”* Again, this is your choice! Every knee **SHOULD BOW** and every tongue **SHOULD CONFESS**. If you choose not God; then, after the thousand year millennium reign of Jesus Christ, while you have been in a hellish tormented state in the great gulf as the rich man; then, you are brought forward to the great white throne of judgment to have your final judgment cast upon you by Jesus Himself. This is when you will account to God for your choice you made on earth while living. In Romans 14:11,12, it tells us, *“For it is written, as I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.”*

I have made my choice already, have you? Why wait and possibly be tormented for a thousand plus years!!!! *“And you hath He quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; where in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace are ye saved;) and hath raised us together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: that in the ages to come He might shew the exceeding riches of His grace*

in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” Ephesians 2:1-10.

Not only do we not know what tomorrow will bring, whether we will be dead or alive; we also do not know when Jesus is coming back to take His Church home. *“But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.”* Mark 13:32,33. Do you know that some will actually not die on this earth physically? If you have already died to the old man, which is our flesh; and have accepted Jesus as your Master, Lord and Saviour; then, you have fulfilled the scripture, *“For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.”* 1 Corinthians 15:22. Death then, is swallowed up in victory and death can not hold a child of God down. *“Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?”* 1 Corinthians 15:50-55.

The grave is the final victory for Satan! But, **JESUS DEFEATED THE GRAVE AND SATAN ON CALVARY!!!!** He died for you and I and went to the grave; Satan rejoiced; but, his rejoicing was short lived!!! Because, while Satan was rejoicing **JESUS WENT TO THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH AND PREACHED THE GOSPEL** to those who had died before God sent His only begotten Son to save those that accept Him, from their sins and death. When Jesus was resurrected and escaped that grave and won victory over Satan, He rose and carried His children with Him, those that accepted Him while He was in the grave. The dead were

actually seen in the streets before they were carried away or raptured away to heaven. This is the only time and the final victory Jesus gave us. It is now your choice. Die and be dead, or die and live with Jesus!!!! You can accept Jesus now and be judged, and live for Jesus; or, you can die to hell as the rich man and be judged after a thousand plus years of torment during Jesus' millennium reign.

God does not want this to happen to you, He wants you to come to Him now! **LIVE! NOT DIE!!!** God is God of love! He just gave you your choice to make, that is all. Which one will you make? If you choose not God to love as He loves you; then, I'll pray for you.

You will die, or Jesus will come back before this happens. Where is your heart? Scripture tells us that **ALL SHALL KNEEL DOWN BEFORE HIM AND THAT ALL SHALL CONFESS WITH THEIR TONGUE, GOD!** Everyone will give account for himself, it just depends on you, **WHEN?** Another passage of scripture tells us, *"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and Godliness."* 2 Peter 3:10,11. Do you want to be left on this earth after Jesus raptures His church out of here? This **may be** your last chance! I would not gamble any longer on my salvation for an eternity knowing what I know now!!!! Do not be like many and *"Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from Me, ye that work iniquity."* Matthew 7:22,23.

Jesus said in John 12:48-50 that *"He that rejecteth Me, and receiveth not My words, hath One that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak. And I know that His commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto Me, so I speak."*

So why choose evil? Why not choose Jesus now, while you have a chance and a choice??? I do not want any soul to be condemned and cast into hell! The Lord has put in me the love for everyone. I want none to perish; I want all to be saved and come to Jesus. I do not want to see as John saw, ***“And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. ... And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.”*** Revelation 20:12,15. Does this remind you in any way, of **hell**?

“And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; when He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.” 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10.

I offer up my prayer for you in 2 Thessalonians 1:11,12. I do not want you to go to **hell**! I want you to know **JESUS AND HIS LOVE!!!!** ***“Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power: that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.”***

“Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.” 2 Timothy 4:8. Are you ready for your crown of righteousness which the Righteous Judge will award you at that day, when ever that day will be???? Can you wait upon the Lord and hang in there? It is for everyone who chooses Him!

We can be prepared if we know God's words! They tell us how to get ready and how to be prepared!!! We find this in scripture in 1 Thessalonians 5:4-10. *"But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of the darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him."* God warns us not to live in the dark or full of sin; He tells us, to watch and be sober in the light and put on our faith and love and the hope of salvation. He doesn't want us to go through any wrath; but, for us to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.

In closing we all should strive for excellence, *"Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, whether it be good or bad."* 2 Corinthians 5:9,10.

IT IS YOUR CHOICE WHETHER IT WILL BE NOW AT THIS ALTAR SEAT BEFORE CHRIST OR AFTER THE MILLENNIUM AT THE GREAT WHITE THRONE SEAT OF JUDGMENT.

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