

## JUDGMENT DAY

### II Peter 3:7

#### I. The CERTAINTY of Judgment

Cfns of v5-7

It is as certain as the justice of all-glorious God

Psm 96:10-13

Acts 17:31a

When: at the Return of Christ: II Thess 1:5-10

The only thing uncertain to us is **when** that will be.  
1000 years from now? Tomorrow?

Remember the 7 warnings of Jesus:  
Matthew 24:36 – 25:46

#### II. The STANDARD of Judgment

God's holy Law, which reflects His character, as we are meant to do.

Known 2 ways:

A. Bible (Rom 2:17-29)

B. Conscience (Rom 2:12-16)

Eg tape recorder

Also judged for what you have done with your knowledge of Christ (John 12:48)

#### III. The CHRONOLOGY of Judgment

A. COMING of Christ (v3-4)

B. COURTROOM: Judgments rendered (Matt 25:31-46)

C. CONSEQUENCES:

1. CATASTROPHE: Judgments executed (v7)

Cosmic destruction; personal punishment in hell

Variations of torment (eg Luke 12:47-48; Matt 11:21-22, 23-24) but all unbearable, according to perfect Justice. Romans 3:19 *every mouth silenced...*

Everyone you have ever seen will be there.  
(As well as all the fallen angels)  
Do you **really** believe in Judgment?

2. CREATION of New Heavens & New Earth (v13)

A portion of humanity will be with God safe forever  
(Come back next 2 weeks)

#### IV. The CROSS as the Prejudgment

3:7, then v9, 14-15a. How escape the wrath of God?

Possible because of Gospel: Jesus endured Judgment Day in God's full fury at the cross.

Gal 2:20: all who trust in Him for deliverance were considered to have been crucified **with** Him on the cross! So you have already been judged.

Therefore Rom 8:1-4

#### So What

God has given you 2 things to show you your need of Christ:

1. The Law: there IS Right and Wrong

You are guilty of many wrongs. You are ashamed.

2. Knowledge of the Day of Judgment

WAKE UP! It IS coming. Are you ready?