

GOD'S FINAL JUDGMENT OF MAN

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. That there will be a final judgment of men most, if not all, who believe in God agree.
2. However, as to when, how, why, of whom and by whom, there is, by far, nothing like universal agreement.
3. In this study we shall examine the subject based solely on Bible evidence, or what the inspired Word of God reveals about it, or on "Book, Chapter, and Verse."

II. DISCUSSION

A. GOD'S FINAL JUDGMENT OF ALL MEN IS SURE.

1. Jno.5:22-29 reveals the following facts concerning it.
 - a. V.22, "...the Father...hath committed all judgment unto the Son."
 - b. V.26, "For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself."
 - c. V.27, "And hath given him (the Son) authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man."
 - d. Vv.28,29: Note especially what these two verses say about his judgment as to the fact of it; the who; the time or the when of it; the results and/or the difference in the eternal destiny of the two different groups judged.
2. Ac.17:30,31 reveal the following facts.
 - a. V.30, God commands all sinners every where to repent. Cf. Lk.13:3,5.
 - b. V.31 reveals, among other things, the reason why he commands all men to repent: "Because he will judge the world..."
 - c. V.31 also reveals the fact:
 - (1) That "he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world..."
 - (2) That in that day "he will judge the world in righteousness..." Cf. Rom.2:1-5.

- (3) That in that day, he will judge the world in righteousness “by that man whom he hath ordained...” Cf. Jno.5:22,27; Rom.2:16; 2Tim.4:1.
 - (a) See 1Tim.2:5; 1Cor.15:20,21; Phil.2:6-8; Heb.7:24.
- (4) That of the truth and fact of all this, God “hath given assurance (*offered faith*) unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.”
 - (a) Cf. Ac.2:24; 3:15; 4:10; Rom.4:24; 1Cor.6:14; 2Cor.4:14; Gal.1:1; Eph.1:20; Col.2:12; 1Th.1:10; Heb.13:20; 1Pet.1:21.
 - (b) See and compare Jno.10:17,18, along with what some often overlook in V.18 and erroneously argue as a result.
- 3. Heb.9:27 declares two things:
 - a. “...it is appointed unto men (all men) once to die...” Cf. 1Cor.15:21,22; 1Cor.15:51; 1Th.4:13-18.
 - b. All men are subject to this divine appointed to die and to be judged *after* death; i.e., physical death.
- 4. This final judgment of God by Jesus Christ, his Son, will be executed at the 2nd Coming of Jesus Christ when he raises all the dead according to:
 - a. Jno.5:22,27-29.
 - b. 2Tim.4:1.
 - c. 2Th.16-10.
- 5. Without a doubt these N.T. texts teach that God’s judgment of all men by Jesus Christ is final and is sure to come.

B. FOR EMPHASIS, WE REMIND YOU THAT GOD’S FINAL JUDGMENT BY JESUS CHRIST, HIS SON, IS FOR ALL.

- 1. It is for believers and unbelievers; the good and the bad; the troublers and the troubled; the sheep and the goats; the young and the old; all people of all nations; the world; even the devil and his angels.
- 2. Eccl.11:9,10; Mt.25:31-46; Jno.5:25-29; Ac.17:31; Rom.14:10; 2Th.1:6,7.

C. GOD’S FINAL JUDGMENT OF ALL MEN WILL BE ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS (THEIR DEEDS) WHILE LIVING IN THE FLESH HERE ON EARTH.

1. Eccl.12:13,14; Mt.5:7; 6:15; 7:1,2; 16:27; 25:31-46; Rom.2:3-11,16; 2Cor.5:10; Heb.5:8,9; Jas.2:13.
2. Cf. 2Cor.6:1,2; Heb.3:7,13; 12:25,28,29.

D. GOD’S FINAL JUDGMENT OF ALL MEN BY JESUS CHRIST INVOLVES HIS EXACTING VENGEANCE OR HIS JUST RECOMPENCE OF REWARD TO ONE AND ALL.

1. Vengeance belongs to God, not man, and will be exacted, Deut.32:35; Psa.94:1; Rom.12:19; Heb.10:30; Jude 7.
2. 2Th.1:6-10.

III. CONCLUSION

1. Don’t make the mistake Felix, the Roman governor made: that of offering the excuse for procrastinating by claiming to be waiting for “a convenient season”!
2. The longer you wait to repent and obey the gospel, the more difficult it become to do it!
3. Remember: After death, it’s too late!