

Prophecy

Thoughts on The Judgment Seat of Christ

The Judge and executor is the Lord John 5:22 & 27
Irrespective of descriptive term used, God, Christ, the Lord

All done in righteousness

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple . . . The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.”

In the Past
As a sinner

In the present as a
Child of God

In the future as a
Servant and. Steward

The One Major Judgement For The Sinner

1. In the past at Calvary:

- a) I was judged as a guilty sinner. (Rom. 1:18-31; 3:9-19)
- b) By the death and resurrection of the Lord, I was judged as a sinner by lifestyle and birth. (Rom. 5:8, 10)
- c) In both cases, Christ was judged by the Holy God as the guilty sinner. (1 Pet. 3:18)
- d) It was a judgment secured and provided by the love shown in kindness, grace and mercy. (1 Jn. 4:10)
- e) This judgment is penal.

The Present Judgment / Discipline While I Am In This Body

1. I am judged by the Father. (Heb. 12:7)
2. I am judged as a child (Heb. 12:5). It is a discipline of conformity to the likeness of Christ by:
 - a) Speaking and spanking (Heb. 12:5-11). Note verse 6, “Chasteneth and scourgeth.”
 - i) It is learning to seek the reason for the discipline and experiences to grow spiritually and in the knowledge of God and Christ. (Eph. 1:17; Col. 1:10; 2 Pet. 1:8; 2 Pet. 3:18)
 - ii) This judgement is governmental because it depends on how I have behaved spiritually.

The Future Judgment

- 1) I will be judged as an individual:
 - a) Every one of us (Rom. 14:12)
 - b) Every man’s work (1 Cor. 3:13)
 - c) Every one of us (1 Cor. 4:5)
 - d) Everyone (2 Cor. 5:10)
- 2) I will be judged as a servant and a steward. (Rom. 14:12; 1 Cor. 4:1)

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- 3) It is an assessment for review and reward or loss. (1 Cor. 3:15; Col. 3:25)
- 4) It is governmental.
- 5) It is irrevocable, it will happen and because of the resurrection of the Lord, none shall escape.
 - a) "As I live, saith the Lord" (Rom. 14:11). The very existence of God depends on it.
 - b) If forgiven now, and since they never confessed (1 Jn. 1:9), will God ignore the final minutes of Ananias and Sapphira's life?
 - c) If forgiven now, what about Demas who loved this present world? (2 Tim. 4:10)
 - d) Since this is only in Hebrews and connected with Israel and the covenant, and since I cannot put myself into another's covenant, how does this apply to us? (Make no mistake, it does apply to us, but how?)

**May God grant us good understanding as He, by His Holy Spirit, deigns to guide us into all truth.
John 16:13**

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