

# CONVERSATIONS

*what is Jesus  
saying to you?*

## THE SABBATH CONVERSATION

### PART 2

*June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

# JUSTICE WITHOUT A JUDGE!

## TEXT: JOHN 5:24-29 ESV

<sup>24</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

<sup>25</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. <sup>27</sup> And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment. - John 5:24-29 ESV

An extravaganza before God as he comes,  
As he comes to set everything right on earth,  
Set everything right, treat everyone fair. - Psalm 96:13 MSG

## JUDGEMENT DAY! (FUTURE, PAST, AND PRESENT)

...It is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment.  
- Hebrews 9:27 ESV

For he has set a day for judging the world with justice by the man he has appointed, and he proved to everyone who this is by raising him from the dead. - Acts 17:31 NLT

### 1. IT WILL BE JUST.

God holds the high center, he sees and sets the world's mess right. He decides what is right for us earthlings, gives people their just deserts. - Psalm 9:7-8 MSG

### 2. IT WILL BE BASED ON DEEDS.

God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.  
- Ecclesiastes 12:14 ESV

### 3. IT WILL INCLUDE SEPARATION.

[Jesus] will come with his mighty angels, <sup>8</sup> in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord

*Jesus. <sup>9</sup>They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power. - 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 NLT*

#### **4. IT WAS TAKEN OUT ON JESUS.**

*Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.*

*<sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.*

*- John 12:31-32 ESV*

*...If God is for us, who can ever be against us? <sup>32</sup> Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else?<sup>33</sup> Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself. <sup>34</sup> Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us. - Romans 8:31-34 NLT*

#### **5. IT IS SOMETHING THAT COUNTS FOREVER.**

*And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile - 1 Peter 1:17 ESV*

*For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body. - 2 Corinthians 5:10 NLT*

THEREFORE...

- I. IT SHOULD BE THE END OF BOREDOM.
- II. IT SHOULD BE THE END OF BITTERNESS.
- III. IT SHOULD BE THE END OF BLAME.

### **MY NEXT STEP THIS WEEK...**

- Memorize *John 5:24.*
- Embrace the doctrine of judgement and live accordingly!
- Attune my heart to the voice of Jesus and walk where he leads me.
- Give my life to Jesus as Savior and Lord, for the first time.

# WALK THE TALK

## A Growth Group Guide

### Read John 5:24-30

1. What scared you the most about the future when you were growing up?
2. Read John 5:24 twice, and then share what claim Jesus is making about himself and what promise he is giving to those who listen to his voice?
3. What happens to those who hear and believe (vv. 24-30) and those who do not?
4. Look at this overall passage, starting back at verse 17. As a business partnership between the Father and the Son, what business does it seem they are in?
5. Which of the five “Judgement Day” points in the outline above got your attention the most? Explain.
6. How does this section of Scripture (John 5:24-30) speak to you? How does it affect your self-image? How does it shape your lifestyle? How does it reset your goals?