



# THE THREAD

*weaving Sunday's message through the week*

**Date:** August 21, 2022

**Theme:** Final Judgment

**Passage:** Revelation 20:11–15

1. The Judge (11): God presides over the final judgment.
  - a. Great White Throne
  - b. The one able to sit on it
  - c. From Him the earth and heavens fled

*Theological Truth: God alone is worthy to judge.*
2. The judged (12–13): The dead
  - a. The whole of humanity
    - i. No respecter of persons
    - ii. Includes all people (the sea, death, and Hades)
  - b. The scrolls of works and life
    - i. The scrolls were opened: judged according to their works
    - ii. The scroll of life: The only basis for eternal life

*Theological Truth: God judges without partiality according to his revealed will.*
3. The Judgment: the lake of fire (14–15)
  - a. Death and the place of the dead come to their end.
  - b. Anyone not found in the book of life finds their end here as well.

*Theological Truth: God judges decisively.*

**Main Point:** Choose Christ now!

## Application Questions:

1. From what we have seen so far in our study of Revelation, what does it mean to “Choose Christ now”? For unbelievers; for believers.
2. What should the truth that God alone is worthy to judge mean for us now? Are we ever able to (Will we ever) judge others? Why or why not?
3. How do the themes of God’s sovereignty and human freedom emerge in this text as well as throughout Revelation? How do you handle the tension inherent in these themes?
4. What does it mean that God judges decisively? What do you believe this is calling you to do in your relationship with Christ?

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