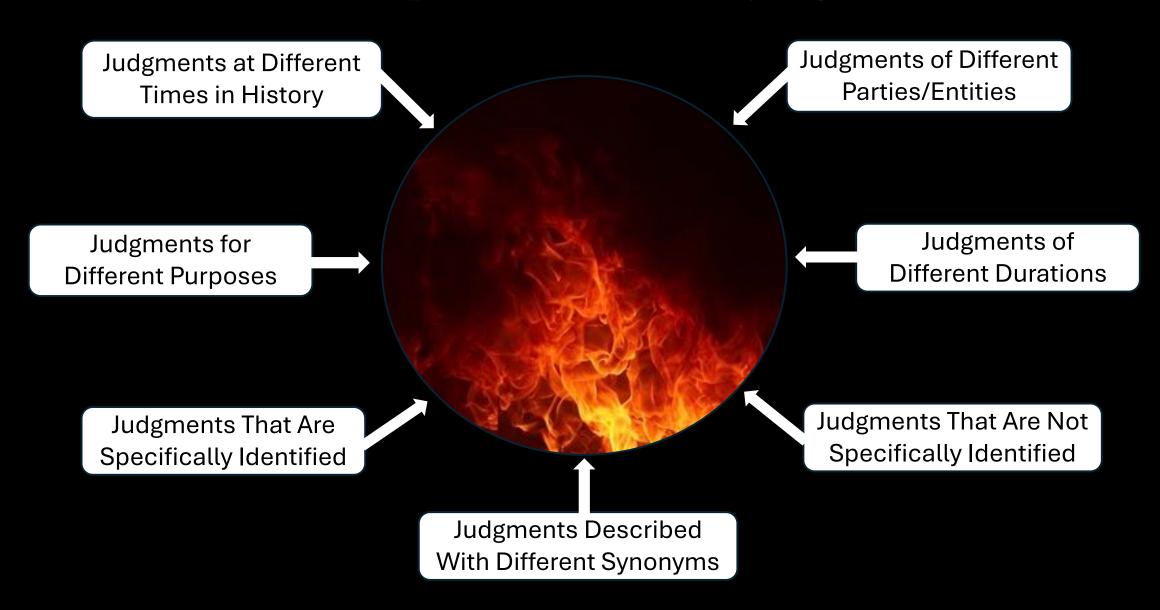


The Complexities of Divine Judgment



The Promises and Threatenings of Judgment

Col. 3:25, "For he who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality."

I Cor. 4:5, "The Lord will bring to light the things hidden in darkness and disclose the motives of men's hearts."

Jn. 5:29, "Those who committed evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment."

Mt. 12:36, "Every careless word that people speak, they shall give an account for it on the day of judgment."

Eph. 5:5-6; Col. 3:5-6, "The wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience."

Mt. 23:33, "You serpents, you brood of vipers, how will you escape the sentence of hell?"

Jude 14-15, "Lord comes with holy ones to execute judgment on all."

Eccl. 3:17, "God will judge both the righteous and wicked man."

Eccl. 12:14; Rom. 2:16, "God will judge the secrets of men."

Il Thess. 2 12, "That they all might be judged who took pleasure in wickedness."

Chronology of Major, Divine, End Times Judgments

Judgment of Babylon the Great towards the end of the tribulation (Rev. 16:19; 18:2-21).



Judgment of Israel at the end of the tribulation, right before Jesus' Coming (Zech. 13:8-9).



Judgment of the nations at "Armageddon" and Jesus' Second Coming (Rev. 16:13-14; 19:11-19).



Judgment of Antichrist and False Prophet at Jesus' Second Coming (Rev. 19:20-21).



Judgment of sheep and goats after Jesus' Second Coming but right before millennium (Mt.25:31-46).



Judgment of nations gathered by Satan at the end of millennium (Rev. 20:9).



Judgment of Satan and his angels at end of millennium (Rev. 20:10).



Judgment of creation at/or immediately before the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:11).



Judgment of all unbelievers at the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:11-15).

Rapture at the end of the church age (Jn. 14:1-3; I Cor. 15:50-52; I Thess. 4:13-18; Rev. 3:10).

Jesus returns in glory to the Mount of Olives (Zech. 14-15; Mt. 24:29-31; Rev. 19:11-16).

Jesus' 1,000-year millennial reign on David's Throne in Jerusalem over all the world (Isa. 9:7; Zech. 14:9-21; Lk. 1:32-33; Rev. 20:4-6).

Creation judged (Rev. 20:11) New Heavens and Earth, the New Jerusalem. Eternal State, (Isa. 65:17; 66:22; II Pet. 3:13; Rev. 21:1-22:9).

Church age (Mt. 16:18; Acts 2; Eph. 2:11-22

> 7-Year tribulation, Daniel's 70th week (Dan. 9:24-27; Rev. 6-18).

Satan is bound in the abyss (Rev. 20:1-3).

Population explosion, the curse is partially lifted, men live longer lives as before the flood (Isa.11:6-10; 65:18-25).

Satan is released, gathers nations to make war against the saints and Jesus in Jerusalem. Fire from heaven devours them (Rev. 20:1-3, 7-10).

Great White Throne judgment. All the unbelievers of all the ages are judged and cast into the lake of fire. The uncreation (Rev. 20:11-15; 21:1).

"The eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels" (Mt. 25:41).

"The lake of fire which burns with brimstone" (Rev. 19:20; 21:8).

"Outer darkness"

(Mt. 8:12; 22:13; 25:30).

'The wine of the wrath of God mixed full strength in the cup of His anger. . . fire and brimstone" (Rev. 14:11).

"A place with the hypocrites" (Mt. 24:51).

"Black darkness" Jude 13.

"Lake of fire" (Rev. 20:14-15).

"Fire, brimstone, and burning wind" (Ps. 11:6).

"A pyre of fire with plenty of wood.
The breath of the Lord, like a
torrent, brimstone sets it on fire"
(Isa. 30:33).

"A furnace of fire" (Mt. 13:42, 50).

"Unquenchable fire" (Mt. 3:12; Mk. 9:43; Lk. 3:17).

"Lake of fire and brimstone" (Rev. 20:10).

"Where the worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched" (Isa. 66:24; Mk. 9:44, 46, 48).

"A place of weeping and gnashing of teeth"

(Mt. 8:12; 13:42, 50; 22:13; 24:51; 25:30; Lk. 13:28).

Judgment Of Believers To Receive Rewards At The The Bema Seat Judgment

Occurs in heaven before Jesus' Second Coming

"But you, why do you judge your brother? Or you again, why do you regard your brother with contempt? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God" (Rom. 14:10).

"Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work" (I Cor. 3:12-13).

"Therefore do not go on passing judgment before the time, but wait until the Lord comes who will both bring to light the things hidden in the darkness and disclose the motives of men's hearts; and then each man's praise will come to him from God" (I Cor. 4:5).

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad" (II Cor. 5:10).

The Paradox of Believers Facing Divine Judgment

"God will judge both the righteous and wicked man" (Eccl. 3:17).

Believers will give an account to Jesus for "every careless word" (Mt. 12:34-37).

Preachers will give an account to God for how they preached God's Word (II Tim. 4:1-3).

Elders will give an account to God for how they shepherded God's flock (Heb. 13:17).

Bible students will be judged for how they studied God's Word (II Tim. 2:15).

Bible teachers will "incur a stricter judgment" (James 3:1).





"None of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned" (Ps. 34:22).

"He who believes in Him is not judged" (Jn. 3:18).

Believers "do not come under judgment, but have passed out of death into life" (Jn. 5:24).

"There is therefore now, no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 8:1).

SYNONYMNS FOR THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

"Day of wrath and the revelation of the righteous judgment of God" (Rom. 2:5-6, 8-9).

"At the judgment" (Mt. 12:41-42).

"On the last day" (Jn. 12:48).

"The day" (Heb. 10:25; II Pet. 1:19).

"Judgment of the great day" (Jude 6).

"The judgment of the earth, world, and peoples" (Ps. 96:13).

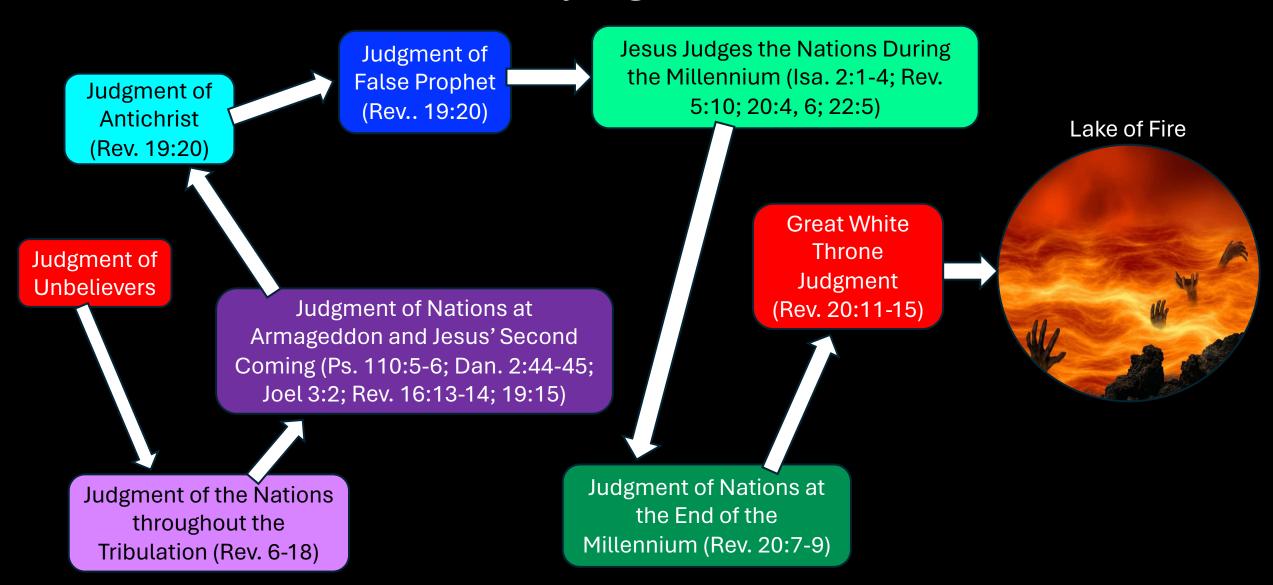
"On the great day of His wrath" (Rev. 6:17).

"A resurrection of judgment" (Jn. 5:29).

"The day of judgment" (Mt. 10:15; I Jn. 4:17).

"On that day. . . to stand before the Son of Man" (Lk. 21:34).

The Divine Judgment of Unbelievers



There Will Be Degrees of Punishment in the Lake of Fire

"It would be better to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and be drowned in the depths of the sea" (Mt. 18:6).

"It will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment" (Mt. 10:15).

"It will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment" (Mt. 11:22; Lk. 10:14).

"These will receive greater condemnation" (Mk. 12:40).

"That slave who knew his master's will and did not get ready or act in accord with his will, will receive many lashes, 48 but the one who did not know it, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive but few. From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more" (Lk. 12:47-48).

"But wrath has come upon them to the utmost" (I Thess. 2:16).

"How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve. . . " (Heb. 10:29).

