

## ~JUDGMENT DAY (944)

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• A specific day, or period, when particular groups, nations, or mankind in general are called to account by God. It may be a time when those already **judged** to be deserving of death are executed, or the **judgment** may afford opportunity for some to be delivered, even to everlasting life.

• Jesus Christ and his apostles pointed to a future **Judgment Day** involving not only the living but also those who had died in the past.

• Truly I say to you, it will be more endurable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on **Judgment Day** than for that city. (**Matthew 10:15**)

• Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! Because if the powerful works had taken place in Tyre and Sidon that took place in you, they would long ago have repented in sackcloth and ashes. (**Matthew 11:21**)

• Consequently I say to you, it will be more endurable for Tyre and Sidon on **Judgment Day** than for you. (**Matthew 11:22**)

• And you, Capernaum, will you perhaps be exalted to heaven? Down to Hades you will come, because if the powerful works that took place in you had taken place in Sodom, it would have remained until this very day. (**Matthew 11:23**)

• Consequently I say to you people, it will be more endurable for the land of Sodom on **Judgment Day** than for you. (**Matthew 11:24**)

• Men of Nineveh will rise up in the **judgment** with this generation and will condemn it, because they repented at what Jonah

preached, but, look! Something more than Jonah is here.  
([Matthew 12:41](#))

- The queen of the south will be raised up in the judgment with this generation and will condemn it, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, but, look! Something more than Solomon is here. ([Matthew 12:42](#))
- I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is destined to judge the living and the dead, and by his manifestation and his kingdom. ([2 Timothy 4:1](#))
- Preach the word, be at it urgently in favorable season, in troublesome season, reprove, reprimand, exhort, with all long-suffering and art of teaching. ([2 Timothy 4:2](#))

## •• Past Times Of Judgment

- At various times in the past Yehowah called peoples and nations to account for their actions and executed his **judgments** by bringing destruction. Such executional judgments were not arbitrary demonstrations of brute force or overwhelming power. In some instances the **Hebrew** word translated, **judgment**, *mish-pat'* is also rendered, **justice** and **what is right**.
- For Ezra himself had prepared his heart to consult the Law of Yehowah and to do it and to teach in Israel regulation and **justice**. ([Ezra 7:10](#))
- It is unthinkable of you that you are acting in this manner to put to death the righteous man with the wicked one so that it has to occur with the righteous man as it does with the wicked! It is unthinkable of you. Is the Judge of all the earth not going to do **what is right**? ([Genesis 18:25](#))
- The Bible emphasizes that Yehowah is a lover of righteousness and **justice**, so his executional judgments involve both of those qualities.
- He is a lover of righteousness and **justice**. With the loving-kindness of Yehowah the earth is filled. ([Psalms 33:5](#))
- Sometimes the executional judgments came as a result of the wicked conduct of people in their daily lives. Sodom and Gomorrah are

an example of this. Yehowah inspected the cities and determined that the sin of the inhabitants was very heavy, he decided to bring the cities to ruin.

- Consequently Yehowah said; The cry of complaint about Sodom and Gomorrah, yes, it is loud, and their sin, yes, it is very heavy. (Genesis 18:20)
- I am quite determined to go down that I may see whether they act altogether according to the outcry over it that has come to me, and, if not, I can get to know it. (Genesis 18:21)
- Hence Lot went on out and began to speak to his sons-in-law who were to take his daughters, and he kept on saying; Get up! Get out of this place, because Yehowah is bringing the city to ruin! But in the eyes of his sons-in-law he seemed like a man who was joking. (Genesis 19:14)
- Later Jude wrote that those cities underwent, **the judicial punishment**; Greek, *di'ken*, judgment, Da, justice, Yg, retributive justice, ED of everlasting fire.
- So too Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities about them, after they in the same manner as the foregoing ones had committed fornication excessively and gone out after flesh for unnatural use, are placed before us as a warning example by undergoing **the judicial punishment** of everlasting fire. (Jude 1:7)
- So those cities experienced **a day of judgment**.
- Yehowah conducted a legal case against ancient Babylon, the longtime enemy of God and his people. Because of being unnecessarily cruel to the Jews, not intending to release them after the 70-year exile, and crediting Marduk with the victory over God's people, Babylon was in line for an **executorial judgment**.
- Therefore this is what Yehowah has said; Here I am **conducting your legal case**, and I shall certainly execute vengeance for you. And I will dry up her sea, and I will make her wells dry. (Jeremiah 51:36)
- And it must occur in the day when Yehowah gives you rest from your pain and from your agitation and from the hard slavery in which you were made a slave. (Isaiah 14:3)

- **That you must raise up this proverbial saying against the king of Babylon and say; How has the one driving others to work come to a stop, the oppression come to a stop! (Isaiah 14:4)**
- **Yehowah has broken the rod of the wicked ones, the staff of the ruling ones. (Isaiah 14:5)**
- **The one striking peoples in fury with a stroke incessantly, the one subduing nations in sheer anger with a persecution without restraint. (Isaiah 14:6)**
- **That made the productive land like the wilderness and that overthrew its very cities, that did not open the way homeward even for his prisoners? (Isaiah 14:17)**
- **As regards Belshazzar the king, he made a big feast for a thousand of his grandees, and in front of the thousand he was drinking wine. (Daniel 5:1)**
- **Belshazzar, under the influence of the wine, said to bring in the vessels of gold and of silver that Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken away from the temple that was in Jerusalem, that from them the king and his grandees, his concubines and his secondary wives might drink. (Daniel 5:2)**
- **At that time they brought in the vessels of gold that they had taken away from the temple of the house of God that was in Jerusalem, and from them the king and his grandees, his concubines and his secondary wives drank. (Daniel 5:3)**
- **They drank wine, and they praised the gods of gold and of silver, copper, iron, wood and stone. (Daniel 5:4)**
- **That came to Babylon in 539 B.C.E. when it was overthrown by the Medes and Persians. Because the judgment to be executed was Yehowah's, such a period could be referred to as the day of Yehowah.**
- **The pronouncement against Babylon that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw in vision. (Isaiah 13:1)**
- **Howl, you people, for the day of Yehowah is near! As a despoiling from the Almighty it will come. (Isaiah 13:6)**

- **Look! The day of Yehowah itself is coming, cruel both with fury and with burning anger, in order to make the land an object of astonishment, and that it may annihilate the lands sinners out of it. (Isaiah 13:9)**
- **Similarly, Jeremiah prophesied that God would put himself in judgment with Edom, among others.**
- **And I proceeded to take the cup out of the hand of Yehowah and to make all the nations drink to whom Yehowah had sent me. (Jeremiah 25:17)**
- **Namely, Jerusalem and the cities of Judah and her kings, her princes, to make them a devastated place, an object of astonishment, something to whistle at and a malediction, just as at this day. (Jeremiah 25:18)**
- **Pharaoh the king of Egypt and his servants and his princes and all his people. (Jeremiah 25:19)**
- **And all the mixed company, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines and Ashkelon and Gaza and Ekron and the remnant of Ashdod. (Jeremiah 25:20)**
- **Edom and Moab and the sons of Ammon. (Jeremiah 25:21)**
- **And all the kings of Tyre and all the kings of Sidon and the kings of the island that is in the region of the sea. (Jeremiah 25:22)**
- **And Dedan and Tema and Buz and all those with hair clipped at the temples. (Jeremiah 25:23)**
- **And all the kings of the Arabs and all the kings of the mixed company who are residing in the wilderness. (Jeremiah 25:24)**
- **And all the kings of Zimri and all the kings of Elam and all the kings of the Medes. (Jeremiah 25:25)**
- **And all the kings of the north who are near and far away, one after the other, and all the other kingdoms of the earth that are on the surface of the ground, and the king of Sheshach himself will drink after them. (Jeremiah 25:26)**
- **And you must say to them, This is what Yehowah of armies, the**

- God of Israel, has said; Drink and get drunk and puke and fall so that you cannot get up because of the sword that I am sending among you. (**Jeremiah 25:27**)
- And it must occur that in case they refuse to take the cup out of your hand to drink, you must also say to them; This is what Yehowah of armies has said; You **will drink without fail**. (**Jeremiah 25:28**)
  - For, look! It is upon the city upon which my name is called that I am starting off in bringing calamity, and should you yourselves in any way go free of punishment? You will not go free of punishment, for there is a sword that I am calling against all the inhabitants of the earth, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies. (**Jeremiah 25:29**)
  - And as for you, you will prophesy to them all these words, and you must say to them, From on high Yehowah himself will roar, and from his holy dwelling he will give forth his voice. Without fail he will roar upon his abiding place. A shout like that of those treading the winepress he will sing out against all the inhabitants of the earth. (**Jeremiah 25:30**)
  - A noise will certainly come clear to the farthest part of the earth, for there is a controversy that Yehowah has with the nations. He must personally put himself in judgment with all flesh. As regards the wicked ones, he must give them to the sword, is the utterance of Yehowah. (**Jeremiah 25:31**)
  - Hence the nation that had shown hatred for Yehowah and his people experienced destructive **judgment in the day of Yehowah**.
  - The vision of Obadiah; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said regarding Edom; There is a report that we have heard from Yehowah, and there is an envoy that has been sent among the nations; Rise up, you people, and let us rise up against her in battle. (**Obadiah 1:1**)
  - For the day of Yehowah against all the nations is near. In the way that you have done, it will be done to you. Your sort of treatment will return upon your own head. (**Obadiah 1:15**)
  - For in the way that you people have drunk upon my holy mountain, all the nations will keep drinking constantly. And they

- will certainly drink and gulp down and become as though they had never happened to be. (**Obadiah 1:16**)
- **When Judah and Jerusalem became unfaithful and merited God's disapproval, he promised to execute in the midst of her **judicial decisions**.**
  - **Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Here I am against you, O city, even I, and I will execute in the midst of you judicial decisions in the eyes of the nations. (**Ezekiel 5:8**)**
  - **In **607 B.C.E. the day of Yehowah's fury** came with an execution of his destructive **judgment**.**
  - **Into the streets they will throw their very silver, and an abhorrent thing their own gold will become. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them in the day of Yehowah's fury. Their souls they will not satisfy, and their intestines they will not fill, for it has become a stumbling block causing their error. (**Ezekiel 7:19**)**
  - **However, another **day, or time, of judgment** on Jerusalem was foretold. Joel prophesied an outpouring of spirit before the great and **fear-inspiring day of Yehowah**.**
  - **And after that it must occur that I shall pour out my spirit on every sort of flesh, and your sons and your daughters will certainly prophesy. As for your old men, dreams they will dream. As for your young men, visions they will see. (**Joel 2:28**)**
  - **And even on the menservants and on the maidservants in those days I shall pour out my spirit. (**Joel 2:29**)**
  - **And I will give portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. (**Joel 2:30**)**
  - **The sun itself will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and fear-inspiring day of Yehowah. (**Joel 2:31**)**
  - **Under inspiration Peter, on the day of Pentecost **33 C.E.**, explained that they were then experiencing a fulfillment of that prophecy.**

- On the contrary, this is what was said through the prophet Joel. **(Acts of Apostles 2:16)**
- And in the last days, God says, I shall pour out some of my spirit upon every sort of flesh, and your sons and your daughters will prophesy and your young men will see visions and your old men will dream dreams. **(Acts of Apostles 2:17)**
- And even upon my men slaves and upon my women slaves I will pour out some of my spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. **(Acts of Apostles 2:18)**
- And I will give portents in heaven above and signs on earth below, blood and fire and smoke mist. **(Acts of Apostles 2:19)**
- The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and illustrious day of Yehowah arrives. **(Acts of Apostles 2:20)**
- The destructive **day of Yehowah** came in **70 C.E.** when the Roman armies executed divine judgment upon the Jews. As Jesus foretold, those were, **days for meting out justice.**
- Because these are days for **meting out justice**, that all the things written may be fulfilled. **(Luke 21:22)**

**See Also DESTRUCTION**

### **•• Future Times Of Executional Judgment**

- Aside from Hebrew Scripture prophecies, the Bible definitely mentions a number of future judgment days that are executional. Revelation points to the time when Babylon the Great will be **completely burned with fire.**
- This **judicial punishment** is due to her fornication with the nations and her being drunk with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus.
- And one of the seven angels that had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying; Come, I will show you the judgment upon the great harlot who sits on many waters. **(Revelation 17:1)**



- **With whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, whereas those who inhabit the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication. (Revelation 17:2)**
- **And he carried me away in the power of the spirit into a wilderness. And I caught sight of a woman sitting upon a scarlet-colored wild beast that was full of blasphemous names and that had seven heads and ten horns. (Revelation 17:3)**
- **And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and was adorned with gold and precious stone and pearls and had in her hand a golden cup that was full of disgusting things and the unclean things of her fornication. (Revelation 17:4)**
- **And upon her forehead was written a name, a mystery. Babylon the Great, the mother of the harlots and of the disgusting things of the earth. (Revelation 17:5)**
- **And I saw that the woman was drunk with the blood of the holy ones and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus. Well, on catching sight of her I wondered with great wonderment. (Revelation 17:6)**
- **That is why in one day her plagues will come, death and mourning and famine, and she will be completely burned with fire, because Yehowah God, who judged her, is strong. (Revelation 18:8)**
- **Be glad over her, O heaven, also you holy ones and you apostles and you prophets, because God has **judicially exacted punishment** for you from her! (Revelation 18:20)**
- **After these things I heard what was as a loud voice of a great crowd in heaven. They said; Praise Yah, you people! The salvation and the glory and the power belong to our God. (Revelation 19:1)**
- **Because his judgments are true and righteous. For he has executed judgment upon the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication, and he has avenged the blood of his slaves at her hand. (Revelation 19:2)**

- **Mentioning another executorial judgment, Peter drew upon what occurred in Noah's day and foretold a, **day of judgment** and of **destruction of the ungodly men**.**
- **But by the same word the heavens and the earth that are now are stored up for fire and are being reserved to the day of judgment and of destruction of the ungodly men. (2 Peter 3:7)**
- **Revelation speaks of such a destruction as being executed by The Word of God, who will strike the nations with a long sword.**
- **And I saw the heaven opened, and, look! A white horse. And the one seated upon it is called Faithful and True, and he judges and carries on war in righteousness. (Revelation 19:11)**
- **His eyes are a fiery flame, and upon his head are many diadems. He has a name written that no one knows but he himself. (Revelation 19:12)**
- **And he is arrayed with an outer garment sprinkled with blood, and the name he is called is The Word of God. (Revelation 19:13)**
- **Also, the armies that were in heaven were following him on white horses, and they were clothed in white, clean, fine linen. (Revelation 19:14)**
- **And out of his mouth there protrudes a sharp long sword, that he may strike the nations with it, and he will shepherd them with a rod of iron. He treads too the winepress of the anger of the wrath of God the Almighty. (Revelation 19:15)**
- **And upon his outer garment, even upon his thigh, he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. (Revelation 19:16)**
- **Yes, the seventh one in line from Adam, Enoch, prophesied also regarding them, when he said; Look! Yehowah came with his holy myriads. (Jude 1:14)**
- **To **execute judgment against all**, and to convict all the ungodly concerning all their ungodly deeds that they did in an ungodly way, and concerning all the shocking things that ungodly sinners spoke against him. (Jude 1:15)**

- Also, in the **First Century** the Devil already had **judgment** passed on him, and the demons he leads knew that they would be put into the abyss, as will Satan.
- Not a newly converted man, for fear that he might get puffed up with pride and fall into the **judgment** passed upon the Devil. (**1 Timothy 3:6**)
- And they kept entreating him not to order them to go away into the abyss. (**Luke 8:31**)
- And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven with the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. (**Revelation 20:1**)
- And he seized the dragon, the original serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. (**Revelation 20:2**)
- And he hurled him into the abyss and shut it and sealed it over him, that he **might not mislead the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended**. After these things he must be let loose for a little while. (**Revelation 20:3**)
- Thus it follows that the **judgment** awaiting them is simply the **execution of a judgment** that has already been decided upon.
- And the angels that did not keep their original position but forsook their own proper dwelling place he has reserved with eternal bonds under dense darkness for the **judgment** of the great day. (**Jude 1:6**)
- Certainly if God did not hold back from punishing the angels that sinned, but, by throwing them into Tartarus, delivered them to pits of dense darkness to be reserved for **judgment**. (**2 Peter 2:4**)
- Do you not know that we shall **judge** angels? Why, then, not matters of this life? (**1 Corinthians 6:3**)

#### ·· **May Or May Not Be Condemnatory**

- Most of the occurrences of **judgment**, Greek, *kri'sis* and *kri'ma*, in the **Christian Greek Scriptures** clearly carry the force of condemnatory, or **adverse, judgment**.

- Most truly I say to you, he that hears my word and believes him that sent me has everlasting life, and he does not come into **judgment** but has passed over from death to life. (**John 5:24**)
- And come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life, those who practiced vile things to a resurrection of **judgment**. (**John 5:29**)
- **Judgment** is set in contrast with **life** and **everlasting life**, plainly implying a **condemnatory judgment** that means utter loss of life death.
- Yehowah knows how to deliver people of godly devotion out of trial, but to reserve unrighteous people for the day of **judgment to be cut off**. (**2 Peter 2:9**)
- But by the same word the heavens and the earth that are now are stored up for fire and are being reserved to the day of **judgment** and of **destruction of the ungodly men**. (**2 Peter 3:7**)
- He that exercises faith in him is not to be **judged**. He that does not exercise faith has been judged already, because he has not exercised faith in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. (**John 3:18**)
- Now this is the basis for **judgment**, that the light has come into the world but **men have loved the darkness rather than the light**, for their works were wicked. (**John 3:19**)
- However, not all **adverse judgment** leads inevitably to destruction. Illustrating this are Paul's remarks at;
  - Consequently whoever eats the loaf or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will be guilty respecting the body and the blood of the Lord. (**1 Corinthians 11:27**)
  - First let a man approve himself after scrutiny, and thus let him eat of the loaf and drink of the cup. (**1 Corinthians 11:28**)
  - For he that eats and drinks eats and drinks **judgment** against himself if he does not discern the body. (**1 Corinthians 11:29**)
  - That is why many among you are weak and sickly, and quite a few are sleeping in death. (**1 Corinthians 11:30**)

- But if we would discern what we ourselves are, we would not be judged. (**1 Corinthians 11:31**)
- However, when we are **judged**, we are disciplined by Yehowah, that we may not become condemned with the world. (**1 Corinthians 11:32**)
- About celebrating the Lord's Evening Meal. If a person did not discern properly what he was doing, he could eat or drink **judgment** against himself.
- Then Paul adds; When we are **judged**, we are disciplined by Yehowah, that we may not become condemned with the world. Thus one might receive **adverse judgment** but because of repenting not be destroyed forever.
- Furthermore, the possibility of a **judgment** that is not condemnatory is apparent from,
- For we must all be made manifest before the **judgment** seat of the Christ, that each one may get his award for the things done through the body, according to the things he has practiced, whether it is good or vile. (**2 Corinthians 5:10**)
- About those manifest before the judgment seat it says; Each one will get his award, according to the things he has practiced, whether it is **good or vile**. The **judging** mentioned in;
- And the sea gave up those dead in it, and death and Hades gave up those dead in them, and they were **judged** individually according to their deeds. (**Revelation 20:13**)
- Evidently results in a favorable outcome for many. Of the dead **judged**, those receiving an adverse judgment are hurled into the lake of fire. The rest, though, come through the **judgment**, being found written in the book of life.
- Furthermore, whoever was not found written in the book of life was hurled into the lake of fire. (**Revelation 20:15**)
- **Judgment Day Of Personal Accountability**
- Pre-Christian Hebrews were acquainted with the idea that God would hold them personally accountable for their conduct.

- Rejoice, young man, in your youth, and let your heart do you good in the days of your young manhood, and walk in the ways of your heart and in the things seen by your eyes. But know that on account of all these the true God will bring you into judgment. (**Ecclesiastes 11:9**)
- For the true God himself will bring every sort of work into the judgment in relation to every hidden thing, as to whether it is good or bad. (**Ecclesiastes 12:14**)
- The **Christian Greek Scriptures** explain that there will be a specific future period, or day, when mankind, both the living and those who died in the past, will individually be **judged**.
- I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is destined to **judge** the living and the dead, and by his manifestation and his kingdom. (**2 Timothy 4:1**)
- Preach the word, be at it urgently in favorable season, in troublesome season, reprove, reprimand, exhort, with all long-suffering and art of teaching. (**2 Timothy 4:2**)

### •• Identity Of The Judges

- In the Hebrew Scriptures Yehowah is identified as the **Judge** of all the earth.
- It is unthinkable of you that you are acting in this manner to put to death the righteous man with the wicked one so that it has to occur with the righteous man as it does with the wicked! It is unthinkable of you. Is the **Judge** of all the earth not going to do what is right? (**Genesis 18:25**)
- Similarly, in the **Christian Greek Scriptures** he is called the **Judge** of all.
- In general assembly, and the congregation of the firstborn who have been enrolled in the heavens, and **God the Judge of all**, and the spiritual lives of righteous ones who have been made perfect. (**Hebrews 12:23**)
- He has, though, deputed his Son to do **judging** for him.

- For the Father **judges** no one at all, but he has committed all the judging to the Son. (**John 5:22**)
- The Bible speaks of Jesus as appointed, decreed, and destined to do **judging**.
- Also, he ordered us to preach to the people and to give a thorough witness that this is the One decreed by God to be **judge** of the living and the dead. (**Acts of Apostles 10:42**)
- Because he has set a day in which he purposes to **judge** the inhabited earth in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and he has furnished a guarantee to all men in that he has resurrected him from the dead. (**Acts of Apostles 17:31**)
- I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is destined to **judge** the living and the dead, and by his manifestation and his kingdom. (**2 Timothy 4:1**)
- That Jesus is thus authorized by God resolves any seeming contradiction between the text that says that individuals will stand before the **judgment** seat of God and the verse that says they will be made manifest before the **judgment** seat of the Christ.
- But why do you **judge** your brother? Or why do you also look down on your brother? For we shall all stand before the **judgment** seat of God. (**Romans 14:10**)
- For we must all be made manifest before the **judgment** seat of the Christ, that each one may get his award for the things done through the body, according to the things he has practiced, whether it is good or vile. (**2 Corinthians 5:10**)
- Jesus also told his apostles that when he would sit down on his throne in the re-creation, they would sit upon twelve thrones to do **judging**.
- Jesus said to them; Truly I say to you, in the re-creation, when the Son of man sits down upon his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also yourselves sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. (**Matthew 19:28**)
- However, you are the ones that have stuck with me in my trials. (**Luke 22:28**)

- **And I make a covenant with you, just as my Father has made a covenant with me, for a kingdom. (Luke 22:29)**
- **That you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones to **judge** the twelve tribes of Israel. (Luke 22:30)**
- **Paul indicated that Christians who had been, called to be holy ones, will **judge** the world.**
- **To the congregation of God that is in Corinth, to you who have been sanctified in union with Christ Jesus, called to be holy ones, together with all who everywhere are calling upon the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours. (1 Corinthians 1:2)**
- **Or do you not know that the holy ones will **judge** the world? And if the world is to be **judged** by you, are you unfit to try very trivial matters? (1 Corinthians 6:2)**
- **Also, the apostle John saw in vision the time when some received **power of judging**.**
- **And I saw thrones, and there were those who sat down on them, and **power of judging** was given them. Yes, I saw the souls of those executed with the ax for the witness they bore to Jesus and for speaking about God, and those who had worshiped neither the wild beast nor its image and who had not received the mark upon their forehead and upon their hand. And they came to life and ruled as kings with the Christ for a thousand years. (Revelation 20:4)**
- **In view of the above texts, this evidently includes the apostles and the other holy ones. Such a conclusion is borne out by the remainder of the verse, which speaks of those who rule with Christ for the Millennium. These then will be royal judges with Jesus.**
- **The fine quality of the judging that will take place on Judgment Day is assured, for Yehowah's **judgments** are true and righteous.**
- **After these things I heard what was as a loud voice of a great crowd in heaven. They said; Praise Yah, you people! The salvation and the glory and the power belong to our God. (Revelation 19:1)**



- Because his **judgments** are true and righteous. For he has executed judgment upon the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication, and he has avenged the blood of his slaves at her hand. (**Revelation 19:2**)
- The kind of **judging** that he authorizes is also righteous and true.
- I cannot do a single thing of my own initiative, just as I hear, I **judge**, and the **judgment** that I render is righteous, because I seek, not my own will, but the will of him that sent me. (**John 5:30**)
- And yet if I do **judge**, my **judgment** is truthful, because I am not alone, but the Father who sent me is with me. (**John 8:16**)
- A revelation by Jesus Christ, which God gave him, to show his slaves the things that must shortly take place. And he sent forth his angel and presented it in signs through him to his slave John. (**Revelation 1:1**)
- And her children I will kill with deadly plague, so that all the congregations will know that I am he who searches the kidneys and hearts, and I will give to you individually according to your deeds. (**Revelation 2:23**)
- There will be no perverting of **justice** or hiding of the facts.

### •• Resurrection Is Involved

- When using the expression, **Judgment Day**, Jesus brought into the picture a resurrection of the dead. He mentioned that a city might reject the apostles and their message, and said; It will be more endurable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on **Judgment Day** than for that city.
- Truly I say to you, it will be more endurable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on **Judgment Day** than for that city. (**Matthew 10:15**)
- This projected the matter into the future and naturally suggested that the people of Sodom and Gomorrah would then be alive by means of resurrection.
- Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! Because if the

- powerful works had taken place in Tyre and Sidon that took place in you, they would long ago have repented in sackcloth and ashes. (**Matthew 11:21**)
- Consequently I say to you, It will be more endurable for Tyre and Sidon on **Judgment Day** than for you. (**Matthew 11:22**)
  - And you, Capernaum, will you perhaps be exalted to heaven? Down to Hades you will come, because if the powerful works that took place in you had taken place in Sodom, it would have remained until this very day. (**Matthew 11:23**)
  - Consequently I say to you people, It will be more endurable for the land of Sodom on **Judgment Day** than for you. (**Matthew 11:24**)
  - Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! Because if the powerful works that have taken place in you had taken place in Tyre and Sidon, they would long ago have repented sitting in sackcloth and ashes. (**Luke 10:13**)
  - Consequently it will be more endurable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you. (**Luke 10:14**)
  - And you, Capernaum, will you perhaps be exalted to heaven? Down to Hades you will come! (**Luke 10:15**)
  - Even clearer are Jesus statements that the men of Nineveh will rise up in the **judgment** and the queen of the south will be raised up in the **judgment**.
  - Men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and will condemn it, because they repented at what Jonah preached, but, look! Something more than Jonah is here. (**Matthew 12:41**)
  - The queen of the south will be raised up in the judgment with this generation and will condemn it, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, but, look! Something more than Solomon is here. (**Matthew 12:42**)
  - The queen of the south will be raised up in the judgment with the men of this generation and will condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon,

but, look! Something more than Solomon is here. (Luke 11:31)

- The men of Nineveh will rise in the judgment with this generation and will condemn it, because they repented at what Jonah preached, but, look! Something more than Jonah is here. (Luke 11:32)
- The Biblical statements about Jesus judging the living and the dead can be viewed in the light of the fact that resurrection is involved in Judgment Day.
- Also, he ordered us to preach to the people and to give a thorough witness that this is the One decreed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. (Acts of Apostles 10:42)
- I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is destined to judge the living and the dead, and by his manifestation and his kingdom. (2 Timothy 4:1)
- A final indication that many being examined on Judgment Day will be resurrected ones is the information in;
  - And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and scrolls were opened. But another scroll was opened, it is the scroll of life. And the dead were **judged** out of those things written in the scrolls according to their deeds. (Revelation 20:12)
  - And the sea gave up those dead in it, and death and Hades gave up those dead in them, and they were **judged** individually according to their deeds. (Revelation 20:13)
- Individuals are seen standing before the throne. The dead are mentioned and so is the fact that death and Hades gave up those dead in them. Such ones are **judged**.

### •• Time For Judgment Day

- He that disregards me and does not receive my sayings has one to judge him. The word that I have spoken is what will judge him in the last day. (John 12:48)
- Christ linked the judging of persons with the last day.

- **Saying; We thank you, Yehowah God, the Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and begun ruling as king. (Revelation 11:17)**
- **But the nations became wrathful, and your own wrath came, and the appointed time for the dead to be judged, and to give their reward to your slaves the prophets and to the holy ones and to those fearing your name, the small and the great, and to bring to ruin those ruining the earth. (Revelation 11:18)**
- **Locates a judging of the dead as occurring after God takes his great power and begins ruling in a special way as king. Additional light on the matter comes from the sequence of events recorded in (Revelation Chapters 19 and 20) There one reads of a war in which the King of kings, kills the kings of the earth and their armies. Earlier in;**
- **They are, in fact, expressions inspired by demons and perform signs, and they go forth to the kings of the entire inhabited earth, to gather them together to the war of the great day of God the Almighty. (Revelation 16:14)**
- **This is called, the war of the great day of God the Almighty. Next Satan is bound for a thousand years. During that thousand years royal judges serve with Christ.**
- **In the same context, resurrection and the judging of the dead are mentioned. This, then, is an indication of the time when Judgment Day comes. And it is not impossible from a Scriptural standpoint for a thousand-year period to be viewed as a day, for such an equation is stated in the Bible.**
- **However, let this one fact not be escaping your notice, beloved ones, that one day is with Yehowah as a thousand years and a thousand years as one day. (2 Peter 3:8)**
- **For a thousand years are in your eyes but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch during the night. (Psalms 90:4)**

### ·· **Basis For Judgment**

- **In describing what will take place on earth during the time of judgment.**
- **And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the**

throne, and scrolls were opened. But another scroll was opened, it is the scroll of life. And the dead were **judged out of those things written in the scrolls according to their deeds.** (**Revelation 20:12**)

- **Says that the resurrected dead will then be judged out of those things written in the scrolls according to their deeds. Those resurrected will not be judged on the basis of the works done in their former life, because the rule at;**
- **For he who has died has been acquitted from his sin. (Romans 6:7)**
- **However, Jesus said that unwillingness to take note of his powerful works and repent or unresponsiveness to God's message would make it hard for some to endure **Judgment Day.****
- **Wherever anyone does not take you in or listen to your words, on going out of that house or that city shake the dust off your feet. (Matthew 10:14)**
- **Truly I say to you, it will be more endurable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on **Judgment Day** than for that city. (Matthew 10:15)**
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