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GOD'S RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

Acts 17:30-31



Greece: Athens, Temple of Zeus



THE DAY OF JUDGMENT IS CERTAIN

- It is an appointment with God. Acts 17:31
- There are two events in the future which are absolutely certain ... death and the judgment. Hebrews 9:27

THE DAY OF JUDGMENT IS CERTAIN

- The testimony of Solomon. Eccl. 12:13-14
- The testimony of Jesus. Mt. 11:20-24; 25:31-46
- The testimony of Paul. 2 Cor. 5:10; Acts 17:30-31
- The testimony of Peter. 1 Pet. 1:17; 4:17-18
- The testimony of John. Rev. 20:12-14

THE JUDGE...

- The judge will be God. Romans 2:16
- We know He will be no respecter of persons. Romans 2:11
- Yet, He is long suffering... 2 Peter 3:9

THE JUDGE...

We will be judged through Jesus Christ.

- Romans 2:16 "... When God shall judge the secrets of men ... by Jesus Christ."
- Acts 17:31 ... "By that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead."

WE WILL BE JUDGED ACCORDING TO THE GOSPEL Romans 2:16

- Note the words of Jesus. John 12:48
- The gospel is given us as a divine guide...
 John 16:13; Eph. 3:3; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Pet.
 1:3
- The words of the gospel convict. John 16:1-8
- Condemnation to those who obey not the gospel. 2 Thess. 1:7ff; cf. Rom. 2:8-9

HE WILL JUDGE THE WORLD Acts 17:30-31

- Judgment will be universal. Matthew 25:31-32
- It will also be individual. Romans 2:6; 14:12; 2 Cor. 5:10

THE BASIS OF THE JUDGMENT

- Our deeds ... "the things done in the body." 2 Corinthians 5:10
- Our words ... Matthew 12:36-37
- Even our secret things will be judged. Romans 2:16

THE ISSUES OF THE JUDGMENT

RIGHTEOUSNESS...

- *Rom. 2:7...* "to them that by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and incorruption, eternal life:"
- WICKEDNESS...

Rom. 2:8..."...unto them that are factious, and obey not the truth, but obey unrighteousness, shall be wrath and indignation, tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that worketh evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Greek"

The sentence will be final and irrevocable. (cf. Luke 16:19-31)

- There will be no possibility of appealing to a higher court.
- There will be no termination of the sentence; it will be for all eternity.

Indeed it will be a great day!

- Then the Great Judge "shall separate them one from another." Matthew 25:32
- "... Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" Matthew 25:34
- "...Depart from me, ye cursed, into the eternal fire which is prepared for the devil and his angels." Matthew 25:41

There is a great day coming!

Are you ready for that day???