

**XV. FINAL JUDGEMENT
(The Great White Throne)**

There will be a final judgement in which the dead who died **without** accepting Jesus Christ will be raised (**resurrected**). They will be judged according to the way they lived. All their actions, their works, that are written in books, which will be opened in that day of judgment. They will be judged by what is written in those books.

Another book will be opened "The Lambs Book of Life" and anyone's name who is not found in the book of life along with the devil, his angels, the beast, and the false prophet will be cast into the lake of fire that burns with fire and brimstone for eternity. This is called the second death

Revelation 20:11-15 "Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire."

Matthew 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels...'"

Mark 9:43 "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched"

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS DOCTRINE

God is a God of Love, but He is also a just God. He cannot allow wickedness and sin to go unpunished. Some false teachings suggest that all people, whether righteous or bad will eventually be saved. But this is contrary to what the Bible teaches.

This doctrine is important because it reminds us all that the wages of is death (Romans 3:23). The bible teaches that there is an everlasting punishment that has been prepared for the devil and his cohorts, and all people who do not accept Gods gracious provision for Salvation through His Son Jesus Christ.

XVI. NEW HEAVENS AND NEW EARTH

In keeping with his promise, we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness will dwell.

2 Peter 3:13 “Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.”

Revelation 21:

- ⊙ The old earth and heaven are gone.
- ⊙ There will be new heavens and new earth.
- ⊙ There is no more sea.
- ⊙ There is no more sun or moon.
- ⊙ There will be no more death, no more sorrow, or pain.
- ⊙ All things are made new.
- ⊙ The New Jerusalem will descend from heaven.
- ⊙ There is no temple for God, the Lamb will be their temple.
- ⊙ There will be streets of gold, a crystal sea, and precious stones for gates.
- ⊙ The only ones to enter are those who are written in the book of life.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS DOCTRINE

In the midst of our daily struggles and difficulties we are encouraged by the promise of what God has prepared for **His Faithful Followers**. Jesus told His disciples, and made this promise to all generations of Christians, “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s house are many mansions; if **it were** not **so**, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, **there** you may be also. **John 14:1-3**