## The Judgment Seat of Christ

What is the Judgment seat of Christ?

When Christ returns at the end of the Great tribulation, He will separate the sheep (the righteous) from the goats (the wicked).

The believers, dead and alive (asleep and awake), will be raised up to meet him in the clouds.

Those who are left on the Earth will experience great suffering when he pours out the Seven Bowls of His wrath.

The believers are saved by faith but are rewarded according to the things that they have done while in the body.

At the Judgment seat of Christ, the believers will be judged for the things that they have done while in the body and they will be rewarded accordingly during their millennial reign with Christ.

## The Last Days



Who gets to be judged by Christ at his second coming?

- The believers, who are raised to be with Christ when he returns.
- All the nations, who will gather before him. He will separate these people, one from another, as the shepherd separates the sheep and the goats.

Will those who are still alive at the coming of the Lord precede those who have fallen asleep?

No. Those who have fallen asleep in Christ will be raised first.

Where will the believers meet with the Lord?

In the clouds.

Does everybody get to meet with the Lord?

No, only the believers are raised to meet with him in the clouds.

What happens to those who are not saved?

Those who are not saved will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous will inherit eternal life.

Where and when do the wicked get judged?

They will either suffer God's wrath if they are on the earth, or they will be tormented in Hades until the end of the millennium. Then at the end of the millennium, they will be raised to stand before God at the Great White Throne. They will be judged according to what they have done and thrown into the Lake of Fire which is the second death.

Who are the Sheep and the Goats? <u>Matt 25:31-</u> <u>46</u> The sheep are people blessed by the Father and chosen before the foundation of the Earth. They do not appear to be of the same fold as Christians but they showed kindness to God's people during the Great Tribulation. This might include people of other religions who help Christians during the Great Tribulation.

The Goats are wicked people who have rejected the gospel. They do not love God and were not chosen before the foundation of the Earth. They had no compassion for God's people during the Great Tribulation and did not help them.

What happens to the Sheep?

The Sheep receive the inheritance, the kingdom prepared for them since the creation of the world and go on to eternal life. Their inheritance may be different to Christians who inherit the New Jerusalem. The Sheep may live eternally as the Nations in the New Heaven and Earth.

What happens to the Goats?

They will go away to eternal punishment.

Does Jesus reward the believers for the things that they have done since they were saved into the body of Christ?

Yes.

2Cor 5:10 Eph 6:8 Col 3:23-24 Rev 22:12 Ps 62:12 Prov 19:17 Matt 6:4 Matt 16:27 Matt 10:40-42 Are there degrees of reward when we go to reign with Christ? <u>Luke 19:12-27</u>

Yes. Those who have been more faithful will be given more responsibility in His Kingdom.

How will Jesus reward you?

I don't know.



