

# THE SEVEN MAJOR JUDGMENTS IN SCRIPTURE

## 1. THE JUDGMENT OF SIN

- a. The Time: c. 30 A.D. The Place: Calvary
- b. The judgment of sin took place on Calvary's cross. It was there that He who knew no sin, became sin for us (2 Cor. 5:21). God judged sin fully and finally in the death of Christ (Hebrews 10:12).

## 2. THE JUDGMENT OF SELF

- a. The Time: Now The Place: Earth
- b. The judgment of self goes on throughout the believer's life. In 1 Corinthians 11:31 Paul said, "*For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.*" If we are careful to evaluate our own spiritual lives (1 John 1:9), we will avoid the chastening of the Lord.

## 3. THE JUDGMENT OF BELIEVER'S WORKS

- a. The Time: After the Rapture The Place: Heaven
- b. This judgment will be the time in which the believer will give an account of himself to God as to his motives, conduct, and service (1 Cor. 3:12-15; 2 Cor. 5:9-10). Having done this, Jesus Christ will then reward the believer accordingly (1 Cor. 3:14-15, 4:5; 2 Tim. 4:8; Js. 1:12; 1 Pet. 5:4).

## 4. THE JUDGMENT OF ISRAEL

- a. The Time: End of Tribulation The Place: Earth
- b. Israel is going to be judged. This is recorded in Ezekiel 20:33-44. When Christ returns at the end of the Tribulation, He's going to purge the rebels out of Israel and take the remaining believers into the Kingdom.

## 5. THE JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS

- a. The Time: End of Tribulation The Place: Earth
- b. This judgment is explained in Matthew 25:31-46, where the Lord separates the believing Gentiles from the unbelieving ones, and casts the unbelieving ones into Hell. The believing Gentiles go into the Kingdom.

## 6. THE JUDGMENT OF SATAN AND HIS DEMONS

- a. The Time: End of Kingdom The Place: Earth
- b. Jude 6 tells us: "*And the angels who kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.*" God has planned a special judgment for Satan and his angels. This will occur at the end of the Millennial Kingdom. Satan and his angels will be cast into a lake of fire and brimstone, to be tormented day and night forever and ever (Rev. 20:10; cf. Matt. 25:41).

## 7. THE JUDGMENT OF THE UNSAVED

- a. The Time: End of Kingdom The Place: Heaven
- b. This is the judgment of all the unsaved of all the ages. It is recorded for us in Rev. 20:11-15. This is called the Great White Throne judgment and happens after the thousand year reign of Christ on earth.
  - i. After the Kingdom, all the unsaved are resurrected, brought before the Great White Throne, and judged out of the books on the basis of their good deeds.
  - ii. Since their names are not found written in the Book of Life and because no one can receive salvation on the basis of good deeds, they are all thrown into the Lake of Fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

