# The Final Judgment

# Christian Fundamentals | Part 7



**Revelation 20:11-12** "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them."



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#### Introduction

There will be a final "Great White Throne" judgment. Satan, along with his angels and all the dead whose names are not found written in the Book of Life, will be cast into the lake of fire. This involves a final resurrection of both the saved and the lost. Saved believers will enter into eternal life in God's Kingdom whereas the lost will suffer eternal damnation in the lake of fire. The earth will be destroyed by fire and there will be a new heaven and a new earth.

# There will be a Final Judgment

There will be a final "great white throne" judgment.

Revelation 20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment..

Daniel 12:1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. 2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. 3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

See also Matthew 25:31-46; 2 Peter 3:7

The dead are judged according to their works:

Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

This involves a final resurrection of both the saved and the lost (<u>Acts 24:15</u>). Saved believers will enter into eternal life in God's Kingdom. Satan, along with his angels and all the dead whose names are not found written in the book of life, will be cast into "the lake of fire" (Hell {Gehenna}) to suffer eternal damnation.

Revelation 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

See also Revelation 19:20

## The heavens and the earth will be destroyed

The heavens and the earth will be destroyed by Fire.

2 Peter 3:5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. 8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

See also <u>Zephaniah 3:8</u>; <u>Revelation 20:11</u> (Compare also <u>Isaiah 34:4</u> with <u>Revelation 6:14</u>)

#### There will be a new heaven and a new earth

There will be a new heaven and a new earth where creation returns to an original perfect state, and there will be no more death, sorrow or pain.

Revelation 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

See also Isaiah 65:17, 66:22; Luke 20:35-36; 2 Peter 3:13