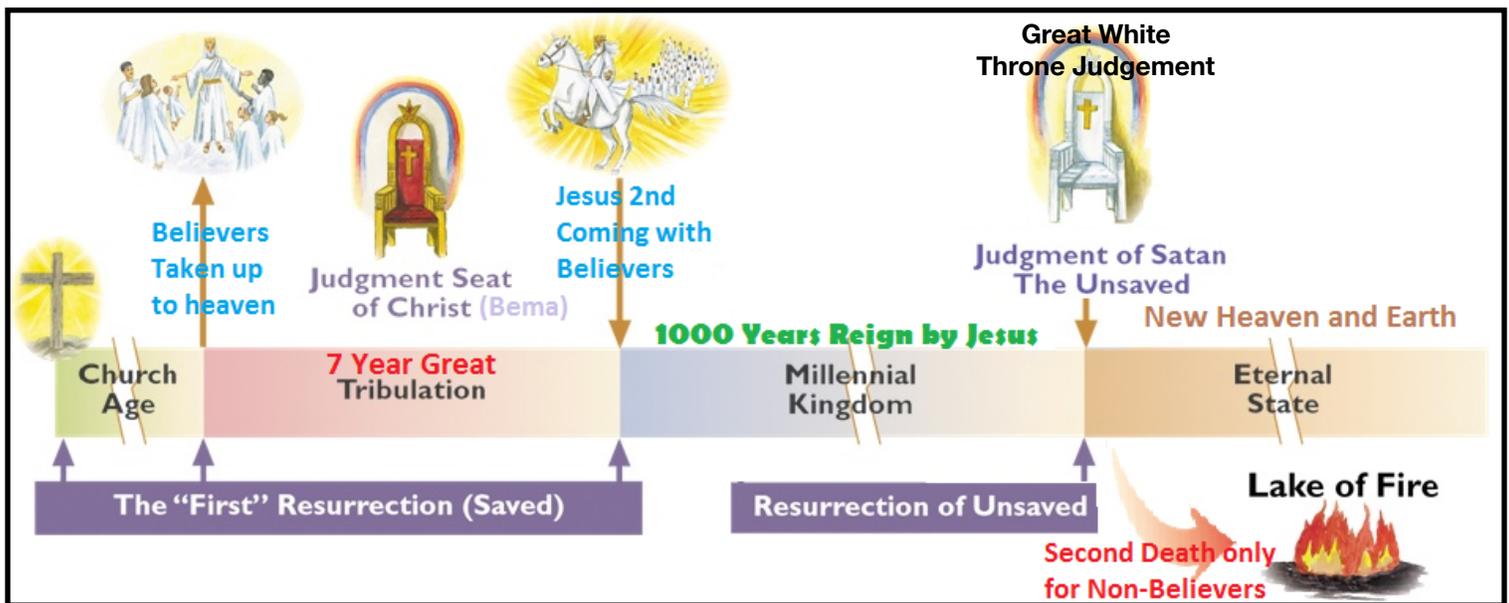


## Revelation 20:11-15 –Study 56 6/17/18 The Great White Throne Judgement Study Notes

Revelation 20:10-15 NKJV - 10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet [are]. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. 11 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. 12 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. 13 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. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.



- Our heaven, our atmosphere will pass away/disappear/burn up. Rev 21:12, Peter 3:7, 10-13
- What are you trusting in this morning? This world is all going to burn!
- Christians are not earth dwellers, not of this world, but are sojourners and pilgrims upon the earth. 2 Peter 3:13, John 15:19, Philipians 3:18-20, 1 Peter 2:11, Hebrews 11: 13-16; Isaiah 65:17, Psalm 102:25-26, Matthew 24:35

### The Great White Throne Judgement

- The One who is sitting on this specific throne as Judge is Jesus. John 5:22
- Before Him were a bunch of open books.
- John sees the dead, (small and great) everyone is before the great Judge, Jesus Christ, no one is able to hide.
- All those who are trusting in their works, their good deeds to save them, will be standing before Jesus.
- Jesus judges the unsaved based upon their works, and they are sentenced to eternal damnation.
- One of the books that will be here and used to judge people is the Word of God. John 12:48
- All those whose name is NOT in the Book of Life now appear before Christ at the Great White Throne Judgement and they will get what they have asked for....to be judged/sentenced based upon their works!
- Please note that there is no trial, no appeal process, only a sentencing and judgement of the condemned!
- Do you know who will NOT be there? All the saved people, the Christians!
- As Christians, our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life!

## **The “(Lamb’s) Book of Life”** Philippians 4:3, Revelation 13:8, Revelation 21:27

- Book of Life is the names of those who will live with God forever in heaven.
- We will not be at this Great White Judgement, not because of what we know, or because of what we have done but rather because of who we know and who knows us (Jesus)!
- Believing in Jesus and having a personal relationship with him is what enables your name to be written in the Book of Life.
- **Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**
- “In Christ” means that we are not condemned people.
- On the cross, Jesus took the punishment we deserved for our sin.
- He willingly took our place and experienced the wrath of God, that would have been poured out for us.
- Therefore, by believing in the finished work of Christ on the cross, I stand, “in Christ” no longer a condemned man, the payment has been paid.
- As Christians, our names are written in the Lamb’s Book of Life and we will appear before Christ at the Judgement (Bema) Seat of Christ NOT the Great White Throne Judgement

## **Judgment (Bema) Seat of Christ**

**2 Corinthians 5:10 For we (Christians) must all appear before the judgment (Bema) seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things [done] in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.**

- The judgment seat of Christ is only concerned with a Christian’s rewards for their service to Christ.
- It has nothing to do with one’s salvation. 1 Corinthians 3:10-15
- Selfish action or actions done with wrong motives will be burned up (the “wood, hay, and stubble”).
- Actions/Works of lasting value to the Lord will survive (the “gold, silver, and precious stones”).

**Rev 20: 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.**

- Those who have rejected Christ are in the temporary abode of the dead called Hades/Sheol.
- Now, all those in Hades are cast into Hell, Lake of fire, Gehenna fire.
- This is called the second death. The second death is eternal damnation.
- Death is cast into Hell. Death occurred when man sinned.
- Sin is no more, thus No more death will occur.

Is your name written in the lambs book of life? Would you like to have the assurance today that you will be in heaven? Have you asked Jesus Christ to be your lord savior?

**John 3:17-18 NKJV - 17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**