

YOUR JUDGMENT DAY IS CONFIRMED



THEOLOGICAL QUESTION

Is there a judgment day, and what difference should it make in my life?

BIG IDEA

There is a judgment day for both non-Christians and Christians. The Great White Throne Judgment judges all non-Christians for their willful rejection of Jesus Christ. The Judgment Seat of Christ tests the works of all Christians, as far as what they did for the King and His Kingdom: selfish works burn up, godly works are rewarded.

SCRIPTURE USED

Revelation 20:11-15: *And I saw a great white throne and the one sitting on it. The earth and sky fled from his presence, but they found no place to hide. I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were opened, including the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to what they had done, as recorded in the books. The sea gave up its dead, and death and the grave gave up their dead. And all were judged according to their deeds. Then death and the grave were thrown into the lake of fire. This lake of fire is the second death. And anyone whose name was not found recorded in the Book of Life was thrown into the lake of fire.*

1 Corinthians 3:13-15: *But on the judgment day, fire will reveal what kind of work each builder has done. The fire will show if a person's work has any value. If the work survives, that builder will receive a reward. But if the work is burned up, the builder will suffer great loss. The builder will be saved, but like someone barely escaping through a wall of flames.*

2 Corinthians 5:10-11: *For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body. Because we understand our fearful responsibility to the Lord, we work hard to persuade others. God knows we are sincere, and I hope you know this, too.*

OPENER

For the opener you will need:

- World's Easiest Quiz questions noted below
- Paper and pens/pencils for students
- Small prizes for winners

Have the students take the quiz below, and reward prizes to the student(s) with the most correct responses.

World's Easiest Quiz

1. How long did the Hundred Years War last?
2. Which country makes Panama hats?
3. From which animal do we get catgut?
4. In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
5. What is a camel's hair brush made of?
6. The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
7. What was King George VI's first name?
8. What color is a purple finch?
9. What country do Chinese gooseberries come from?
10. How long did the Thirty Years War last?

Answer Key

1. 116 years, from 1337 to 1453
2. Ecuador
3. From sheep and horses
4. November, the Russian calendar was 13 days behind ours
5. Squirrel fur
6. The Latin name was Insularia Canaria—Island of the Dogs
7. Albert, when he came to the throne in 1936 he respected the wish of Queen Victoria that no future king should ever be called Albert.
8. Distinctively crimson.
9. New Zealand
10. Thirty years, of course, from 1618 to 1648

ASK

- How many of you like to take tests? Why or why not?
- If you could rid of all tests, would you? Why or why not?

LESSON

EXPLAIN

I don't know if you're aware of this, but everyone here has a huge test