

“GREAT WHITE THRONE”

A. The events preceding the great white throne judgment

1. Satan is " _____ a little season."

Rev. 20:7-8

"And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea."

2. Satan's final battle ends in _____.

Rev. 20:9

"And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them."

3. Satan is finally _____ into the Lake of Fire.

Rev. 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."

B. The events surrounding the great white throne judgment

Rev. 20:11-15

"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. 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. 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. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

1. The destruction of the first _____ and the first _____ (Rev. 20:11; 21:1)

Rev. 21:1

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away"

2. The judgment of all the _____ (Read Rev. 20:12-15.)

a. _____ and _____ (Rev. 20:12)

b. _____ and the Lamb's Book of Life (Rev. 20:12)

The main **purpose** of the great white throne judgment is to **administer degrees of punishment to the lost**, which is taken from the "books."

Rev. 20:12

"And the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."

The **more opportunities** a person had to get saved, the **more accountability** he has.

Luke 12:48

"For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required."

Matt. 11:20-24

"Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee."

Luke 16:25

"But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented."

C. " _____ and _____ " will be cast into the Lake of Fire. (Rev. 20:14)

The Lake of Fire is the second death.

Spiritual death is separation from God *temporarily*.

The second type of spiritual death is separation from God *eternally*.

We must remember that **one need never stand before the great white throne**. It is not God's will that any should perish but that all should come to repentance and faith in Christ. All that is necessary is for an individual to acknowledge his sin, realize that Jesus is God, and accept his sacrificial death at Calvary for his salvation. Those who have accepted Christ as Savior need to actively give this good news to friends, relatives, and acquaintances; we need to love them enough to warn them of their eternal fate. Jesus commanded us to "*go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.*"