

Eternal Judgement



196) What is the Sixth Foundation Stone?

- A. The sixth foundation stone is eternal judgement.

"instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment."

HEB 6:2 NIV

197) What does judgement mean?

- A. Judgement is an evaluation where the worth, quality, or value of a person, place, item, or work is determined. We exercise judgement every day when we make choices.
- B. When most people think of the word "judgement," they think of failing a test and suffering the punishment. Proper judgement not only identifies and punishes the lawbreaker, it identifies and rewards the law abiding, the hardworking, and the diligent.

"The king said, 'This one says, 'My son is alive and your son is dead,' while that one says, 'No! Your son is dead and mine is alive.'" [24] Then the king said, "Bring me a sword." So they brought a sword for the king. [25] He then gave an order: "Cut the living child in two and give half to one and half to the other." [26] The woman whose son was alive was filled with compassion for her son and said to the king, "Please, my lord, give her the living baby! Don't kill him!" But the other said, "Neither I nor you shall have him. Cut him in two!" [27] Then the king gave his ruling: "Give the living baby to the first woman. Do not kill him; she is his mother." [28] When all Israel heard the verdict the king had given, they held the king in awe, because they saw that he had wisdom from God to administer justice."

1KINGS 3:23-28 NIV

"And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?" [8] I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

LUKE 18:7-8 NIV

"The spiritual man makes judgments about all things, but he himself is not subject to any

man's judgment:"

1COR 2:15 NIV

198) What is the doctrine of eternal judgement?

- A. It is the teaching that Jesus Christ will pass final judgement on the world. It is called eternal, because His sentence will last forever.

"Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son,"

JOHN 5:22 NIV

"But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. [6] God "will give to each person according to what he has done." [7] To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. [8] But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger."

ROM 2:5-8 NIV

199) Who gets judged?

- A. Everyone, both the saved and the unsaved, those living and those who have died.

"Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,"

HEB 9:27 NIV

"Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice [29] and come out - those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned."

JOHN 5:28-29 NIV

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ROM 2:6-8 NIV

Ministry of Love
"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. [32] All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. [33] He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. [34] "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. [35] For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, [36] I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' [37] "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? [38] When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? [39] When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' [40] "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' [41] "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared

for the devil and his angels. [42] For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43] I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' [44] "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' [45] "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' [46] "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

MATT 25:31-46 NIV

200) What is the Great White Throne Judgement?

A. It is the judgement of the unrighteous.

"Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. [12] And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. [13] The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. [14] Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. [15] If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire."

REV 20:11-15 NIV

201) What is the basis of judgement God uses for the unrighteous?

- A. The unrighteous have committed many sins, any of which places them in danger of Hell's fire. However, their most serious problem is that they are separated from God and therefore, lost in their sin.
- B. The unrighteous will be judged on what they have or have not done in this life. The one act that could save them from Hell, that they did not perform, is accept Christ as the sacrifice for their sin.

"The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; [20] idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions [21] and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God."

GAL 5:19-21 NIV

"He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. [16] Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."

MARK 16:15-16 NIV

"Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. [19] This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. [20] Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed."

JOHN 3:18-20 NIV

202) What punishment will the unrighteous face?

- A. The unrighteous will be eternally confined to Hell. Hell (the Greek word, "Gehenna") is a place of unending punishment characterized by both fire and darkness. It is a place of loneliness, anguish, and torment. There will be nothing "good" in Hell: no parties, no friends, no rest, no relief.
- B. Hell was set aside for the devil and his demons. It was not intended for man. You choose Hell when you refuse Christ's offer of salvation.

"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'"

MAT 25:41 NIV

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. [12] 'Friend,' he asked, 'how did you get in here without wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. [13] "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

MATT 22:11-13 NIV

"He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. [9] They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power [10] on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you."

2THESS 1:8-10 NIV

"and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved."

2THESS 2:10 NIV

God is patient
"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

2PETER 3:9 NIV

203) What is the judgement seat of Christ?

- A. It is the judgement of the saved that takes place before the throne of Christ.

"You, then, why do you judge your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God's (Christ's) judgment seat." *Sarah too! Help me Lord*

ROM 14:10 NIV

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad." *Help me Jesus*

2COR 5:10 NIV

204) What are Christians judged on?

- A. The works they did after they were saved.

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what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad."

2COR 5:10 NIV

"The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor."

1COR 3:8 NIV

"If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, [13] his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. [14] If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. [15] If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames."

1COR 3:12-15 NIV

Run from the flames
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205) What is the relationship of faith to works?

- A. Salvation is by grace through faith. Works have nothing to do with our salvation.
1. God is not impressed with anything we can offer Him before our salvation.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - [9] not by works, so that no one can boast."

EPH 2:8-9 NIV

- B. Once we are saved, God expects our works to reflect the work of salvation He accomplished in our hearts. Works now take on great importance. If we don't fulfill what God has called us to do, we will have to answer to God for our failure.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. [20] But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. [21] For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

MATT 6:19-21 NIV

"Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. [19] In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life."

1TIM 6:18-19 NIV

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"What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? [15] Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. [16] If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? [17] In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. [18] But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do. [19] You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that - and shudder. [20] You foolish man, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless? [21] Was not our ancestor Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? [22] You see that his faith and his actions were

working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did."

JAM 2:14-22 NIV

206) What rewards will the righteous receive?

- A. All who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior will go to heaven. In heaven, we will be in the presence of God, which is our richest reward.

"Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands."

2COR 5:1 NIV

"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,"

PHIL 3:20 NIV

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. [2] In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. [3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

JOHN 14:1-3 NIV

"And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. [11] It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ... [21] The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of pure gold, like transparent glass. [22] I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. [23] The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. [24] The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it. [25] On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. [26] The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. [27] Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life." *Help me Jesus*

REV 21:10-11, 21-27 NIV

- B. There are different kinds of rewards for the righteous. These including leadership and responsibility. You will be given leadership responsibilities in God's kingdom that correspond to the quality of your works on earth.

"Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. [42] And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward."

MATT 10:41-42 NIV

"Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him; [12] if we

endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; [13] if we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself."

2TIM 2:11-13 NIV

"You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

REV 5:10 NIV

"I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. [5] (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. [6] Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years."

REV 20:4-6 NIV

"He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. [13] So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.' [14] "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.' [15] "He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it. [16] "The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.' [17] "'Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.' [18] "The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.' [19] "His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.'"

LUKE 19:12-19 NIV