



FUNDAMENTAL GRACE BIBLE STUDY

Matthew

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Lesson 16: Chapter 7:1-5

Judgments in the Bible

1. Review

- a. Chapter 5: Attitude, ministry & law commandments for children of the kingdom
- b. Chapter 6: Avoid hypocrisy by seeking God's kingdom righteousness & receive provision
- c. Chapter 7: Seek righteous judgment + trust God's provision = fulfilling the law & prophets
- d. Before getting into "Judge not..." let's look at judgment through the Bible

2. Judgment in the Bible

- a. Judge. (v.) to compare facts/ideas, perceive their agreement/disagreement, to then arrive at truth
- b. Judge. (n.) an officer given authority to hear & determine causes between parties: civil or criminal
- c. Christ, creator of all, Son of God & man by resurrection is the Judge of all – Jn5:22; Ac17:31
- d. Creation Judgment (pre-sin). God created & judged it good – Gen1:1,4,10,12,18,21,25,31
- e. Creation Judgement (post-sin). Judgment came upon all men/creation – Gen2:17; 3:17; Rom5:12,18
- f. Post-death Judgment. Men are appointed to die & face judgment – Heb9:27
- g. Day of Judgment (Creation). Heavens, earth, the ungodly, angels – 2Pe2:3,4,9; 3:7-13; 2Thess1:8-9
 - i. Jacob's Trouble (Israel). God's fiery, purifying judgment of his house – Jer30:7; 1Pe4:17-19
 - ii. Judgment of Babylon. Destruction of the abominable, deceitful city – Rev17:1; 18:10; 19:2
 - iii. Armageddon. The valley of decision where Christ defeats the nations – Rev16:16; Joel3:9-14; Rev19:11-21; Isa63:1-4
 - iv. Sheep & Goat Judgment. Judgment of the nations' dealings w/Israel – Mt25:31-46
 - v. Great White Throne Judgment. Judgment of all resurrected, unsaved men – Rev20:11-15
 - vi. Millennial Israeli Tribal Judgment. The resurrected righteous will judge the tribes in the kingdom – Mt19:28; Rev20:4-6; Cf. Mt5:22,25; 23:23
- h. Judgment of Sin. At Calvary all sin was "judged" by imputation – Rom3:20-25; Heb9:15-17; 2Cor5:21
- i. Judgment of the Believer (mystery). Propitiation, atonement, forgiveness & reconciliation have already been made for us, but judicial death of the old man & resurrection of the new man can only take place by faith what Christ already did for us through the cross – 1Cor2:6-8; 1Tim2:3-6; Gal3:23; 2Cor5:17-21; Rom3:20-26; 4:4-5,23-25; 5:7-11; 6:1-23; Col2:8-15,20; 3:1-3; Phil3; Gal2:20-21
- j. Judgment Seat of Christ. Members of Christ's body, the new creature, already died, are under grace, whose service is judged by the Head – Eph2:15,10; 2Cor5:17; Gal2:20; 6:15; Cor3:9-15; Rom14:10; 2Cor5:10

3. Conclusion

- a. By knowledge of God's word, we are able to make discerning judgments of truth – 2Tim3:16-17
- b. Instruction to search the scriptures abound, but rightly dividing them requires more – 2Tim2:15
- c. Jesus instructs his disciples to not judge hypocritically, but hear, do & judge mercifully – Mt23:1-3; 23
- d. For the remnant, under the law, their love of God was shown by hearing & doing – Lu11:42; Jas2:1-14
- e. For the BoC, under grace, righteous judgments are to still be made by the man of God with the mind of Christ – 1Cor2:12-16; Phil1:9-10; 2:1-5