

Questions Posed for Study

Question: What will we be judged for in heaven, sins or motives?

Sins or Motives?

(Hebrews 9:24 – 28, Key verse - 27)

Intro: There tends to be a great deal of confusion about the Bema seat also known as the judgment seat. (**II Cor. 5:10 & Rom. 14:10**) While it seems strange to us because we have for most of our lives associated a judgment seat in the Scriptures with judgment on sin. While that is true as it pertains to the Great White judgment seat of **Revelation 20:11 – 15**, where here only the unsaved appear to stand before God, the judgment seat mentioned in **Romans 14:10 & II Corinthians 5:10** is the judgment seat for the Redeemed.

So, the question is, “what will we be giving account of at the Bema Seat? “

I. Two judgment thrones.

- A. The one judgment throne you do not want to _____ before is the Great White Throne.
1. **Revelation 20:11 – 15**, the Great white Throne.
 2. The throne is not the object of _____, rather the one _____ on the throne.
 3. **Verse 12** reveals the One who is sitting on this throne – _____.
 4. There is no _____ what they are about to face.
 5. Remembering the vast majority of these people have had anywhere from millennia’s in hell to as recently as the Kingdom – millennium. They _____ what is coming!
 6. An eye-opener is found in **Luke 16:19 – 31**, God means what He says & says what He Means.
 7. Only the _____ will appear at this judgment seat, and the books opened are mentioned in **verse 12 – 15**.
 - a. One is described as the “book of Life” which contains all the names throughout human history who lived by _____ in God.
 - (1). Folks, prior to the death of Christ those who believed God, their faith was counted to them for righteousness, example – Abraham (**Genesis 15:5 – 6 & Romans 4:2 & 3 & Enoch**)
 - (2). Following the death, burial & resurrection of Christ one gets their name in the Lamb’s Book of life by coming to a _____ faith in Christ - (**John 3:3 & John3:16 – 21.**)
 - b. The other books are the _____ which record the life of the unsaved and there is no record of those contained therein having accepted Christ as Savior.

- (1). **Matthew 7:22 & 23** – “iniquity” – that which is _____ to God.
- (2). The liberal crowd to day in America is bent on making “iniquity” a _____ way of life – same sex marriages, trans-gendering, living together as though married, all forms of sexual perversion, this and so much more is the center piece of their ideology of a godless society.

B. The throne for the Redeemed of the Lord is found in, **II Corinthians 5:7 – 10.**

1. Note in **verses 8 & 9** – “Wherefore we labour” this is not ___ salvation but _____ of salvation with the goal as the Redeemed of the Lord, our lives are pleasing to Him.
2. Let’s remember **Hebrews 11:6** – “without faith it is impossible to please God.”
3. What then is our labor? Building up our _____ – **I Corinthians 3:9 – 16.**
 - a. “Together with God” is not the idea we help God, rather that we take what God has provided in and through His infallible Word and make _____ of the Bible to our lives.
 - b. This “co-laboring” with God is He knows what He wants from us and for us.
 - c. I am the one who _____ the help, I need the direction, God does not!
4. We must know to whom the Holy Spirit is speaking and to what stage that person’s relationship is with God when making application.
 - a. The unsaved _____ for salvation hoping their good deeds will win the day.
 - b. The Redeemed _____ because of salvation desiring a good accounting.
5. Our appearance at the Bema Seat is about our _____ and not about _____.
 - a. Our sin past, present & future was _____ with on the cross. (The Redeemed)
 - b. What is the _____ behind what we do for the Lord?
 - c. Sin in the life of a Believer _____ fellowship with God & not the loss of salvation –
 - (1). **I John 1:5** – Fellowship is _____ in the light, the light of truth.
 - (2). **I John 1:6** – Walking in _____ is walking contrary to God.

(Isaiah 59:1-4; Micha 3:4)
6. The Bema seat is the seat of _____ concerning our motives and the purer our motives, the better the accounting, the commensurate of the awards.
 - a. The incorruptible crown - **1 Cor 9:24-25**
 - b. The crown of righteousness – **1 Tim 4:7 – 8**
 - c. The crown of rejoicing - **Thes 2:19**
 - d. The crown of glory - **1 Peter 5:4**
 - e. The Crown of life - **James 1:12**