

The Resurrection in the OT

- *many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt.* Dan. 12:2
- *But you, go your way till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days.* Dan. 12:13
- How “*many will awake?*”
- What is “*everlasting life?*”
- What is “*everlasting contempt?*”
- What are “*the end of the days?*”
- What is “*your inheritance?*”
- The Old Testament Scriptures have few answers.

God wanted Jesus to give these Details

- *grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, 10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 2Tim. 1:9-11*
- Jesus brought life and immortality into the light through the gospel.
- Jesus and later the Holy Spirit through His apostles and prophets will answer every one of those questions in great detail!

ALL who are in the Graves / Tombs

- *the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs (graves) will hear His voice and come forth – those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment (condemnation). Jn. 5:28-29*
- At the same hour all in the tombs will come forth to:
- *Those who have done good: The resurrection of life*
- *Those who have done evil: The resurrection of judgment / condemnation*

The Resurrection of Life ... of Judgment

- Since all will hear His voice at the same “*hour*” and come forth. Not two separate resurrections.
- Called “*resurrection of life*” and “*resurrection of judgment*” because there will be a separation between those who have done good and done evil.
- “*When the Son of Man comes in His glory,*” “*He will sit on the throne of His glory.*” “*He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.*” (Mt. 25:43-46)
- After this separation ... two different destinations
- “*go away into everlasting punishment,*”
- “*the righteous into eternal life.*”

Parables Reveal things Kept Secret

- *Jesus spoke to the multitude in parables; ... that it might be fulfilled ... “I will open My mouth in parables; I will utter things kept secret from the foundation of the world.” Mt 13:34-35*
- Jesus then interpreted the parable of the tares:
- *The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.*
- *then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Mt. 13:41-42*

Details about the Hour

- As Jesus was ascending back into heaven:
- *This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.* Acts 1:11
- Later John was told,
- *“Every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him”* Rev. 1:7
- As they leave the tombs, every eye will see Jesus

The Role of the Angels

- *The Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His **angels**, and then He will reward each according to his works.” Mt. 16:27*
- *“The Son of Man will send out His **angels**, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, Mt. 13:41-43*
- *At the end of the age. The **angels** will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just. Mt. 13:49*

No Warning even for the Living

- Since then many have died as Jesus asked: *let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master*
- After this parable Jesus said “*if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched.* Lk. 12:35-40
- In His application: “*therefore be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”*
- you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night,* 1Th. 5:2
- but the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night.* 2Pet. 3:10 The final day /hour like any other

Details of the Final Day and Hour

- *In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed 1Cor. 15:52-53*
- *the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words. 1Th. 4:16-18*

Trumpet as Heard on Mount Sinai

- *When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain.*
- “*the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder*” Ex. 19:13, 19
- **The Lord’s shout starts the resurrection**
- *all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth* Jn. 5:28-29
- **The voice of the Archangel?** Bring the angels?
- Yet it is all *in the twinkling of an eye*, an instant that may not allow us to distinguish them clearly.
- What an awesome and amazing thing to anticipate

The Heavens and Earth are Removed

- “*The day of the Lord will come,*” and “*the heavens will pass away with a great noise, ...be dissolved, and the elements will melt with fervent heat*
- “*the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him.*” 2Peter 3:8-11; Mt. 25:31-32
- As “*we meet the Lord in the air,*” the material creation ends. All God did in Genesis is removed and the souls of all who have ever lived are before the throne of His glory.

John's Vision

- *I saw a great white throne and Him who 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, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.* Rev. 20:11
- Nearly everything in this passage confirmed.
- Jesus sits on a throne and the heavens and the earth fled away (dissolved and melted). All who are in the graves stand before God and all the dead judged according to their works. John only adds the books containing these works and the Book of Life.

What is in the Books?

- “*for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.*” Mt. 12:36-37
- “*For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.*” 2Cor. 5:10
- Every idle word, all thoughts and deeds recorded are revealed at the judgment. Even the hidden things:
judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God. 1Cor 4:5

A resurrection of Life and Judgement

- God, through Jesus and the Holy Spirit has given us many details of the resurrection.
- For some, it will be a resurrection of judgment and condemnation. For these there will be weeping, gnashing of teeth and a great bitter sorrow.
- For others, it will be a resurrection of life. A day of praise, glory and honor.
- The choice is ours: “*He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him — the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.* (Jn. 12:47-48)

All Summed Up

when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed. 2 Thess 1:7-10

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with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, 6 who "will render to each one according to his deeds": 7 eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; 8 but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness — indignation and wrath, 9 tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; 10 but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 11 For there is no partiality with God. Rom. 2:5-11