# What Do You Need To Know About The Judgment Day?

#### (Acts 17:30-31)

The Judgment Day is one of the most preached on subjects in the Bible. It is a topic that Paul felt the need to inform the people in Athens about while laboring there.

Consider five very important things that Paul says concerning this great day to come.

#### • This day will occur (Acts 17:31a).

- God "has fixed a day" in which this will event will occur.
  - Only God knows exactly when it will happen (2 Peter 3:10). We can't know.
  - We just need to make sure we are prepared when it arrives!
- Numerous other verses provide the same guarantee (Matthew 10:14-15; 11:22; 12:36; John 5:28-29; Acts 24:25; Hebrews 9:27; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6).

### • The world will be judged on this day (Acts 17:31).

- This includes everyone!
- Every person will give an account to God (Romans 14:12; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Matthew 25:31-34).

### • The world will be judged in righteousness on this day (Acts 17:31).

- $\circ$   $\;$  This means that no mistakes will be made on this day.
  - There is nothing we can hide from God (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14).
  - God's judgment will be 100% correct!
- God will execute the judgment through His Son (John 12:48).
  - Every person will stand before Jesus (Matthew 25:31-32).
  - Every person will give an account to Jesus (2 Corinthians 5:10).
  - Every person will hear one of two things from Jesus (Matthew 25:34, 41).
  - The judgment He renders will have eternal consequences (Matthew 25:46).

#### • Jesus' resurrection guarantees this day (Acts 17:31b).

- If there is no Judgment Day coming, then it doesn't really matter how we live.
- But Jesus was raised. In fact, after being raised He was seen by hundreds of people (1 Corinthians 15:3-6; Acts 2:32; 10:40-41)!
- Jesus' resurrection is confirmation that He has the power to judge and the Judgment Day will occur as God has promised (Romans 1:4).

## • We need to be preparing for this day (Acts 17:30).

- There will be two groups who stand before Jesus on this day (Matthew 7:13-14).
  - There will be a small group (the saved).
  - There will be a large group (the lost).
  - Our obedience to God will determine which group we will be in (Matthew 7:21-23).
- God wants every person to be in the saved group (1 Timothy 2:4).

**Conclusion:** God wants His people to have confidence concerning the Judgment Day! Do you have this confidence (1 John 4:17)?

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