RESURRECTIONS and TRANSLATIONS – Part Four



We are going to learn about the last resurrection spoken of in Scripture today.

But first lets look at Rev.20:4-5 again:

Rev.20:4-5 - And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them (and the people who sat on them), and judgment was given unto them (they were given authority to judge): and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image (nor its image / nor his statue), neither had received *his* (it's) mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years (they came back to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years). But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

Pastor Erustus and I were talking about people being saved during the tribulation and he shared this: I also believe there will still be those who will get saved during the tribulation times but it will be through their own blood and torture because of accepting to believe in Christ. I think he meant because of rejecting in Him now, during the tribulation when they come to believe in Him they will do so through their own blood and torture.

Those that believe the Thessalonian scriptures, where Paul speaks about the rapture, are only about a general resurrection or that it is about the second coming must realize that here at the end of the tribulation in the verse we just read, it does not mention or speak of rising and meeting the Lord in the air. Why would we rise and meet Him in the air when He is coming here to set up His reign and do judgment. The wedding supper has already taken place before we see Jesus return on His white horse with the armies of heaven and we are with Him.

Here's another scripture that speaks of us being with Him.

Rev.17:14 – These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for He is Lord of lords and King of kings: and they that are with Him are called, chosen and faithful.

This is talking about the beast, antichrist and the kings that were serving him fighting against Jesus and those who serve Him.

If you are trying to say that is the angels, just remember God never "chose" the angels. If they wanted to fall and leave heaven because of their sin that was their choice. We sinned too and God made a way for us to be redeemed back to Him. The way is Jesus. Now when you study Scripture you will learn that many are called but few are chosen (Matt.22:14). That is us and not the angels.

Rev.19:14 – And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

This is not talking about the angels but about the saints. Because we have been washed clean and made as white as snow by the blood of the Lamb and have received white robes. This is before the dead saints are raised at the end of the Tribulation.

And this next passage bears witness that we will return at His second coming with Him.

Jude 14-15 - And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints (thousands upon thousands of His holy ones), To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all (convict all) that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* (defiant words) which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.

Young's Literal Translation

Jude 14 - And prophesy also to these did the seventh from Adam -- Enoch -saying, 'Lo, the Lord did come in His saintly myriads, *myriads means an infinite number*

Most of the translations are saying "holy ones" those in line with KJ, which are few, say His saints and YLT says His saintly myriads. Remember most of the new translations follow suite with the NIV which was translated and copyrighted by luciferians. They purposely are attacking the Godhead, and the deity of Christ. I think they are trying to confuse us here as to who is with Jesus at His second coming. This is another passage that those who fight against the rapture say is not us but instead it is the angels. But Scripture does not bear that out, it is us.

From the KJV the word there is saints. Looking at that in the Greek strong's concordance:

40. hagios

Strong's Concordance

hagios: sacred, holy

Original Word: ἄγιος, ία, ον Part of Speech: Adjective Transliteration: hagios Phonetic Spelling: (hag'-ee-os) Definition: sacred, holy Usage: set apart by (or for) God, holy, sacred.

HELPS Word-studies

40 hágios – properly, different (unlike), other ("otherness"), holy, for the believer, 40 (hágios) means "likeness of nature with the Lord" because "different from the world."

The fundamental (core) meaning of 40 (*hágios*) is "different" – thus a temple in the 1st century was *hagios* ("holy") because *different* from other buildings (Wm. Barclay). In the NT, 40 */hágios* ("holy") has the "technical" meaning "*different* from the world" because "*like* the Lord."

[40 (*hágios*) implies something "set apart" and therefore "*different* (*distinguished/distinct*)" – i.e. "other," because *special* to the Lord.]

Strong's Exhaustive Concordance

most holy, saint.

From hagos (an awful thing) (compare hagnos, thalpo); sacred (physically, pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially, consecrated) – (most) holy (one, thing), saint.

see GREEK hagnos

see GREEK thalpo

Terrible in KJ means powerful or strong and mighty so I'm sure "awful" referring to hagos doesn't mean what we use it for today.

The word saint is only used in regard to angels in Deut. 33:2. Now the Roman Catholic Church applies the term to angels, because they teach the kabbalah and witchcraft and they worship angels and dead saints which is forbidden by God. So they will say St. Michael, St. Gabriel etc.

Are you going to be one of the ones that returns with Christ? Even though people will be saved during the tribulation, today is the day of salvation. Don't harden your heart against God, let Him in to change your life.

The righteous people who live through the tribulation will enter into the millennial reign in their natural earthly bodies. Children will be born during the millennial reign.

Isaiah 65:20 - There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days (or an old man who does not fulfill his years): for the child shall die an hundred years old (for the one who dies at 100 will be thought a mere child); but the sinner *being* an hundred years old shall be accursed (the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed).

Children will live long lives. They will live longer than usual, God is lengthening the life spans to compare back to the time of Genesis but still after the fall. We can tell from that scripture that there will be some at least that die during this time. There will be righteous people that die during the millennial reign. And at the Great White Throne Judgment the dead who will be damned for all of eternity will be resurrected now for judgment.



RESURRECTION at the GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

I do not know when the righteous are resurrected who die during the millennial reign. It doesn't seem to be addressed in the Bible or it isn't that clear to me if it is.

We know there will be people that die during the millennial reign because the scripture we just read in Isaiah told us so. And the passage in Isaiah mentions also the sinner so there will be faithful ones as well as sinners during this time period. We will still see freewill during the millennial reign but sin will be dealt with quickly.

Research on scriptures that point only to those being condemned being at this judgment and resurrection:

- 1. Scripture consistently recognizes two categories of resurrection in such a way as to infer that believers are not to be found in both.
- The names given to the second resurrection, the resurrection "unto shame and everlasting contempt" (<u>Dan. 12:2</u>) and "the resurrection of condemnation" (<u>John 5:28-29</u>), seem to exclude the possibility of the inclusion of believers.
- 3. Believers do not face the possibility of standing in a judgment which decides their eternal destiny: (John 5:24).

4. The passage that we are about to read describes the second resurrection and subsequent judgment, makes no mention of the presence of any faithful. Although the <u>Book of Life</u> is mentioned, nothing is said of the destiny of those who might be found written therein. Everything seems to indicate the book is used merely to testify to the absence of the names of the unsaved. "Only one group will be seen at this judgment, the dead—the spiritually dead."

All those Old Testament saints who chose not to obey God and rebelled against Him will be at this judgment. And for sure every person who never accepted Jesus as their Savior will be at this resurrection.

Now let's take a look at the last resurrection.

Rev.20:7-15 – And when the thousand years are expired, satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea (seashore). And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about (surrounded the camp of the saints), and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone (lake of burning sulfur), where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever. And I saw a great white throne, and Him that 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, stand before God (stand before God's throne); and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works (The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books). And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works (according to what they had done). And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

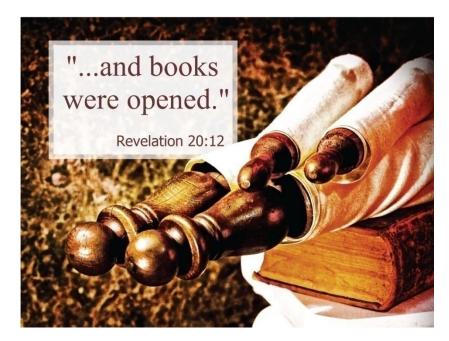
Why was satan loosed? So that people could be tested to see where their loyalties lie. There will be faithless people during the millennial reign. How else can the nations be deceived. All through time we have been given free will to choose God or to choose satan. Noah preached for 120 years and then the flood came. While we live we have free will to choose to serve God through Christ or not. It will be the same during the tribulation except most will lose their heads for faith in Christ then. During the millennial reign free will still exists and there will be those that are not faithful.

We are continually tested to see if we love God and choose to serve Him. People will still have to teach their children God's ways and live righteous lives even while Jesus is here ruling and reigning. It seems crazy to believe that people will still sin and still choose satan even with Jesus ruling here on earth, but they will. People will still be able to backslide and if they don't teach their children how to live righteously, more than likely they will fall away too. satan will deceive the nations and there will be plenty who will still choose him. God never makes anyone serve Him. He wants those that choose Him freely.

satan was in heaven and saw all of God's power and glory and the beauty of heaven and he was a servant of God's and yet he chose to sin.

Every person who ever failed to relate to God in faith will be resurrected at this time, regardless of when he or she may have lived and died — whether before or after the Cross. This resurrection will also include the unjust who died during the Tribulation and the Millennium.

It is interesting to note that the beast and false prophet and satan don't get raised to be judged. They went right into the lake of fire. Why? Maybe the beast and false prophet were not human. You know the luciferians are trying to raise the anti-christ. They have been experimenting with the dna of dead pharoah's and even trying to clone Jesus from the blood that was on the spear that was stuck into His side. One of the miracles that will be performed to deceive the world during the tribulation is the healing of the deadly head wound that the beast antichrist will receive in Rev. 13:3. The Bible says we will judge angels. It is interesting that satan is an angel, a fallen one but God cast him straight into the lake of fire. When you think about it, knowing there are degrees of punishment, satan has earned the highest punishment for all he has done and so God probably doesn't deem him worthy of judgment. He knows his punishment will be the worst imaginable. It doesn't appear that satan, the beast or false prophet are even worthy of judgment.



God keeps records of all we do and say. At the judgments the books (plural) will be opened and we will be judged for what we did and did not do. For what we said and did not say. For our motives and reasoning. All will be laid out plain before us at the judgment. There is a book of deeds or works.

The bottom line in each instance of judgment is that your name must be written in the Lamb's book of Life, in order to enter into eternal life in heaven. The registry will be checked and in order to gain entrance into heaven your name must be written in the Lamb's Book of Life. God's Word is the standard by which we will be judged. Not our own righteousness.

Those that believe in soul sleep or annihilation will be in for a rude awakening. All souls will live forever. Those who chose Christ and served Him faithfully will live in eternal peace and blessing. Those who made no choice at all or who chose lucifer will live in eternal suffering and torment.

Jesus suffered for our sin on that cross.

Heb.12:2 - Looking unto Jesus (keeping our eyes on Jesus) the Author and Finisher of *our* faith; Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

God is offering you the free gift of salvation through Jesus Christ. Have you come to Him and surrendered your life to Him? This gift of salvation is only available while you are alive. Once you die your decision cannot be changed. There is no purgatory. God gives you second chances to get right with Him but only while you are alive. Once you die it is too late.

Some people can't believe God will really punish people in torment for eternity. They say, how cruel and that it won't be forever.

I heard a statement the other day that is true: If you are going to reduce the time spent in torment for the unbelievers, then you must also reduce the time spent in eternal bliss in heaven for believers.

No, forever is forever, both ways, in hell and in heaven, wherever you choose to be, you will be there for all of eternity.

We don't get to make up our own truth and have God abide by it.

CLOSING

Hebrews 9:28 – So Christ was once offered (sacrificed) to bear the sins of many (to take away the sins of many); and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation (not to deal with sin but to bring salvation).

Notice carefully that this verse promises that for those who are ready for Him, Jesus will come "without reference to sin." That is a wonderful promise.

Have you come to Jesus and asked Him to be your Savior and Lord? Are you truly sorry and torn up over your sin? Have you repented which means stop

the sin and are you living an obedient life doing the things Jesus said to do in His Word? Now is the time, today is the day of salvation.

PRAYER

The judgment of the damned

https://www.biblestudytools.com/commentaries/revelation/revelation-20/orderof-resurrection.html