## "The New Heaven and the New Earth: *The Judgment Seat of Christ*" (Part 1) 1 Corinthians 3:10-15

"So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please Him. For **we must all appear** before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil." (2 Corinthians 5:9-10)

"For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's....For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God....So then **each of us will give an account** of himself to God." (Romans 14:7-12)

"When we stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ He will not be looking for deeds that purchase our pardon;

He will be rewarding deeds that show we were already enjoying our pardon." (John Piper)

- The Basics of the Judgment Seat of Christ:
  - Most theologians believe this will take place after the Rapture of the Church, at our glorification (Luke 14:12-14).
  - Every Christian will stand before Christ in Judgment.
  - All Judgment has been given to Christ (John 5:22)
    - We do not have the ability to judge men's work inerrantly; God does (1 Corinthians 4:2-5).
  - We are not judged for our sins, but for our works.
  - There will be shame (1 John 2:28) or loss (1 Corinthians 3:15) and there will be reward at the Judgment Seat.
  - Our work ethic (1 Corinthians 3:8; Ephesians 6:8; Revelation 22:12), our faithfulness (Matthew 25:21; 1 Corinthians 4:2), and our motive matters tremendously in Judgment (1 Corinthians 4:5; Hebrews 4:12-13).
  - The Biblical Worldview is bearing "much fruit" (John 15:8). "Walking in a manner worthy of the Lord" (Colossians 1:10). "Presenting everyone mature in Christ" (Colossians 1:28).
- 1 Corinthians 3:10-15:
  - We should take great care in how "we build" on the foundation of Christ.
    - The foundation is Christ. It is all about Him.
  - There are two different kinds of "building" materials:
    - Gold, silver, and precious stones are beautiful, valuable, and hard to find. (1 Chronicles 29:1-9; Proverbs 2:1-5, 3:13-15, 8:10-11).
    - Wood, hay, and straw, are not used for building magnificent buildings and are destroyed by fire, not purified.
  - This Judgment is not salvific, it is for reward. Our salvation is not based on what we have done (2 John 1:8).

Worship: Psalm 18 — Citizens

## **Announcements:**

- ★ <u>DONATIONS</u>: Throughout the month of June we are collecting monetary donations for a family within our own church body, to help with medical costs and time off of work. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for the June donations.
- ★FELLOWSHIP LUNCH: We are having a Fellowship Lunch THIS Sunday, June 16th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something to the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!
- ★ MEN'S BREAKFAST: Men, the monthly Men's Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd, at 7am, at Kevin Gordon's house (448 Courtney Drive). Mark your calendars and plan to attend this great time of food and fellowship with your brothers in Christ. Please RSVP to Zach Adams (740)618-0739.
- ★<u>MEMBERS' MEETING:</u> We will be having a Members' Meeting on Sunday, June 30th, immediately following the worship service. If you are currently a church member, please plan on staying for this meeting. The meeting will last approximately 45 minutes and is for the purpose of proposing By-Law additions for the process of electing Elders, informing the Members of the Job Descriptions and Expectations for all paid staff, and an update on continuing our support of Heartbeats.
- ★<u>"4th of July" COOKOUT:</u> Mark your calendars, we are having our annual "4th of July" Cookout on Sunday, July 7th, starting at 5pm, at Andy's house (1062 National Drive SE; Hebron). Bring your own lawn chairs and bring your favorite yard/outdoor game to play!
- ★PAINTBALL OUTING: We are putting together a Paintball Outing, tentatively on Saturday, July 13th. The cost is \$39 per person for 3 hours, if we have a minimum of 20 people interested. Please let Zach Gavi know if you are interested in participating, so we can move forward in planning this event! (740)644-6314