



The Judgment

Prepare To Meet God

GOD'S UNMERITED FAVOR covers our infirmities and gives us the opportunity to communicate with Him. There is an atmosphere of grace that surrounds us. "The earth is to be encircled with an atmosphere of grace. The Holy Spirit is to work on human hearts, taking things of God and showing them unto men."—The Watchman, September 5, 1905.

Though there is an atmosphere of grace that surrounds us, God still expects us to work through our root problems. This atmosphere of grace only surrounds us to allow time for Jesus to work with us through our root problems and become closer to Him. If we don't work through our issues, we will be covered by grace, but the issues of our heart will remain. God uses various tests, trials and circumstances that are evident through our circumstances to reveal our heart.

The Bible does make it clear that we are in the end times. This means that we are closer to meeting Jesus. Since we are so close to meeting Jesus, it's of the utmost importance to work through our issues. We can start the process of working through our issues by following the sanctuary method. Here we see the true motives, intentions and belief patterns in our minds. This process is referred to as the judgment. The purpose of the judgment is for God to open our books in heaven and show us areas in our lives that are out of alignment with Him and His will. These are areas that keep us disconnected from Him and His plans for our lives.

**A THOUSAND THOUSANDS MINISTERED TO HIM;
TEN THOUSAND TIMES TEN THOUSAND STOOD
BEFORE HIM. THE COURT WAS SEATED, AND THE
BOOKS WERE OPENED. DANIEL 7:10**

The Judgment Experience

Jesus wants to take the time to review every issue in our lives with us. He uses circumstances to reveal the deep motives and intentions of our hearts. It's a blessing that He uses real life scenarios in our daily experiences to point us back to Him. These situations create avenues for us to identify root problems and work through them with Him.

Cain and Abel

Root problems started from the very beginning. The first brothers, Cain and Abel gives a clear depiction of root problems. Each gave an offering to God. Abel's offering was wholehearted, but Cain's was not.

"Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, 'I have acquired a man from the Lord.' Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering, but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. So, the Lord said to Cain, 'Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it.' Now Cain talked with Abel his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain revolted against Abel his brother and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Where is Abel your brother?' He said, 'I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?' Genesis 4: 1-9

It's clear that Cain was discouraged and angry when the Lord despised his offering. But the Lord in His mercy offered to work through Cain's root problem with him. The Lord stated, "Why are you angry?" Rather than working through his root problem with God, Cain chose to reject God's partnership and did not cooperate with Him in the process of overcoming the root problem. As a result, "sin lies at the door." The result of choosing not to overcome his root problem with God was sin.

God gives us every opportunity from the beginning to work through our issues with Him so that sin will not overtake us. We do have the choice which direction we will go. We can choose to cooperate with God and work through our root problems or we can keep our sad, disgruntled countenance and continue believing the lies of the enemy. Inevitably, if we choose not to work through our root problems, sin lies at the door. This sin manifests itself in negative emotions such as irritation, agitation, anxiety, fear, manipula-

Recreate and Renew

tion, selfishness, anger, resentment, bitterness and depression. We have the opportunity to work through each negative feeling with God. God desires for us to work through each issue so that He can look upon us and accept us, as He did Abel's offering. If we do not work through our root problems God cannot look upon us at His second coming. If God cannot look upon us He ultimately cannot accept us. He does not want to reject us. In cleaving to sin we make the choice to disconnect from God.

The judgment experience is the process of reconnecting every thought and emotion to Jesus and allowing Him to reveal the motive behind and restore and renew it back to His original intention. Once we have worked through all root problems with God we will no longer transgress God's law. We can live a life in perfect obedience to Him. We can come completely under Him and not the enemy. Though we are tempted we will not fail or fall. Wouldn't it be freeing to not feel any anxiety, fear, shame, guilt or any other negative emotion? It is possible when we choose to work with Christ to uncover and unpack all our root problems. It is possible when we believe that Jesus is the divine healer and can reveal every hidden motive of our heart.

WHILE THE INVESTIGATIVE JUDGMENT IS GOING FORWARD IN HEAVEN, WHILE THE SINS OF PENITENT BELIEVERS ARE BEING REMOVED FROM THE SANCTUARY, THERE IS TO BE A SPECIAL WORK OF PURIFICATION, OF PUTTING AWAY OF SIN, AMONG GOD'S PEOPLE UPON EARTH. THIS WORK IS MORE CLEARLY PRESENTED IN THE MESSAGES OF REVELATION 14. WHEN THIS WORK SHALL HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, THE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST WILL BE READY FOR HIS APPEARING. "THEN SHALL THE OFFERING OF JUDAH AND JERUSALEM BE PLEASANT UNTO THE LORD, AS IN THE DAYS OF OLD, AND AS IN FORMER YEARS." MALACHI 3:4. THEN THE CHURCH WHICH OUR LORD AT HIS COMING IS TO RECEIVE TO HIMSELF WILL BE A "GLORIOUS CHURCH, NOT HAVING SPOT, OR WRINKLE, OR ANY SUCH THING." EPHESIANS 5:27. THEN SHE WILL LOOK "FORTH AS THE MORNING, FAIR AS THE MOON, CLEAR AS THE SUN, AND TERRIBLE AS AN ARMY WITH BANNERS." SONG OF SOLOMON 6:10. CIHS 103.1,2