

The Inevitable One

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Inevitable (adjective): *incapable of being evaded, certain to happen, or unavoidable*

Revelation 20:11 Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. 12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. 13 And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. 14 Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. 15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

1. Jesus may not always be the God of immediate justice, but He is the God of _____.

2. Jesus pays the penalty for your sins or _____.

Revelation 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." 5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said,

"Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. 7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

3. God will _____ with His people forever.

4. We cannot fix _____ until this day.

Jesus the Judge:

Acts 17:31, John 5:22-27, 2 Timothy 4:1

Jesus describing Hell:

Matthew 5, 8, 10, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25, Mark 9, Luke 10, 12, 13, 16, John 3

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you learn from this teaching?
2. How does the knowledge of these future events impact how you live today?
3. What hope (and fear) do the future events detailed in Revelation (Chapters 20 & 21) bring you? Why?
4. Who in your life needs to hear the Gospel? Moving forward, how are you going to be more intentional in pointing that person to Jesus?
5. Which of the details in Revelation 21:1-7 is most significant to you? Why?
6. Pray for the salvation of those who don't know Jesus.