

**The Biblical Doctrine of
The Great White Throne Judgment
Part 4: The Disposition of Throne of Judgment**

The basis for final judgment is “the books” and the “book” of Revelation 20:12.

1. **The “books”** – contain the record of all the deeds of every person, including the secret things of the heart, Rom. 2:15-16; every idle word, Matt. 12:36-37; every secret desire, Eccl. 12:14; every deed done in this life, Matt. 16:27.
2. **The “book”** – is the Lamb’s “book of life” found 11 times in the Bible.
 - Ex. 32:32 – Moses told God to blot him out of His book
 - Ps. 69:28 – let my enemies be blotted out of the book of life
 - Dan. 12:1 – predicts deliverance from trouble for those written in book
 - Ph. 4:3 – help those whose names are in the Book of Life
 - Rev. 3:5 – those who overcome will not be blotted from Book of Life
 - Rev. 13:8 – those who are not in Book of Life will worship the Beast
 - Rev. 17:8 – those not in Book of Life will marvel at works of the Beast
 - Rev. 20:12, 15 – Book of Life opened at the final judgment
 - Rev. 21:27 – only those in Book of Life will enter New Jerusalem
 - Rev. 22:19 – name blotted out of Book of Life to dishonor Word of God

Nature of judgment – It is not the absence of good works that condemns a person – it is the absence of one’s name in the Lamb’s Book of Life! It is not the evil works written in the books nor is it that there is more evil than good in the books. Many of the world’s great sinners will be saved because their names are written in the Lamb’s Book of life.

Means of judgment – It is the “lake of fire.” It is a place, not a state, or annihilation, Lk 16:28. It is a location that will become the repository of death and the grave. It is an eternal place of everlasting punishment, Mt 25:46. It is a lake of fire where the worm does not die, a place of torment characterized by the absence of all hope, Lk 16:24.

This is the final act of God before the eternal state. When a person dies their deeds go on working for good or evil until the last day of human history (Rev. 14:3). Evil sown today will compound every other day until the final Day of Judgment, Rev 20:15.

There is only one way of escape from the great white throne of judgment. John 11:25-26 says, “I am the resurrection and the life: he that believes in me though he were dead, yet he shall live: and whosoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” When you believe, then your name is written in the Lamb’s Book of Life.

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