

Hebrews 4.11-13

The Word in Judgment

There is a lie that is prevalent in the church today, that lie is simple. Like all good lies it has at its heart a kernel, a seed of truth... but that truth is wrapped in falsehood and so the whole becomes a lie. The lie is this: "Since we are saved by faith alone without works, since we live under grace and not law, we can live however we like and there will never be any day of reckoning for us, no accounting for us because we are covered under the blood of Jesus". I want to repeat again, this is a lie from the pit of hell, and if you believe it, you will make shipwreck of your faith and possibly prove that you had no faith to begin with... against that lie, let me remind you plainly what the Word of God says here in our text -

"¹² For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. ¹³ And there is no creature hidden from

His sight, but all things *are* naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we *must give* account."

While we ARE free from the wrath of God, we will ALL still stand before Him to give an accounting of ourselves.

I. WE WILL ALL FACE THE JUDGMENT OF GOD

Romans 14.10-12

II. THAT JUDGMENT WILL BE PRESIDED OVER BY CHRIST

Acts 10.36-43

a. He knows everything that we do

b. He knows why we do it

c. He knows our motives

d. He knows our Aims

e. He knows our Loves

f. He knows our Desires

g. The ideas and loves and passions of a man reveal the truth of his heart

Proverbs 21.2

Proverbs 21.4

Proverbs 21.7-8

Proverbs 21.15

Proverbs 21.27

III. WE WILL BE JUDGED BY HIS STANDARD

Micah 6.6-8

- Not our preferences
- Not our ideas
- Not our rules
- Not our pretenses

a. There is another standard that will be the rule on the day of the Judgment

b. Our words will be judged against that standard

Matthew 12.33-37

c. Our works will be judged against that standard

Jude 10-15

d. Our thoughts will be judged against that standard

Hebrews 10.12

d. The whole of our lives will be judged against that standard

2Corinthians 5.6-11

IV. GOD'S WORD IS THAT STANDARD

a. The Word of God reveals that Standard

- b. The Word of God is given now against that judgment
 - i. To guide the righteous
 - ii. To condemn the wicked
 - iii. To reveal the righteousness of God
 - iv. To establish His purposes

- c. We will all be found guilty by the judgment of the Word

Romans 3.19-23

V. JESUS CHRIST IS THE MERCY OFFERED AGAINST THAT STANDARD.

Romans 3.23-26

Those who trust in Christ will be pardoned by the imputation of HIS righteousness, HIS blood will be applied against our sins, HIS death will be counted in our place, HIS obedience will be imputed to our account, HIS reward will be shared with us AS IF we had earned it...

a. There is no way that we will receive that as if we deserved it

Revelation 4.6-11

b. There is no way that we can stand in that day without tears

Revelation 20.11 - 21.4

c. There is no way that anyone else can ever take credit or have any part in our salvation

Revelation 5

d. There is no hope apart from HIM

Acts 4.8-12

e. There is no hope when anything else is mixed with Him

Romans 3.27 - 4.8