

SEPARATING HIS SHEEP FROM THE GOATS

In Matthew 25:36-41 we see Jesus sitting on His throne and judging all the peoples of the earth. This shows it is not like we grew up hearing that we will all be standing in line to see if we make it to heaven based on whether we did more good than bad. Instead we see Jesus immediately separating (His People the sheep) from the goats (unbelievers). The sheep do not get in because of their good works, the Bible makes that clear. They get in because they have trusted in Christ as their Savior and the good works they do are a result, not the reason of their having been saved. The goats are those who never trusted Christ and will end up in hell. They are not there because they didn't do enough good, but because of who they did not believe in Christ. John 3:17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 "HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM IS NOT CONDEMNED; BUT HE WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE IS CONDEMNED ALREADY, BECAUSE HE HAS NOT BELIEVED IN THE NAME OF THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD. Saved people demonstrate their salvation by the way they live as do unbelievers. Are you a sheep or a goat?

Matthew 25:31-36, & 41 "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 33 "And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 36 'I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.', 41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: