

**Studies in Biblical Eschatology**  
**What Happens When We Die?**  
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**Introduction**

**I. The Intermediate State**

- A. The event of death
  
- B. The believer at death goes immediately into the presence of the Lord (Phil. 1:23  
Heb. 12:23)
  
- C. Paul's Perspective on the Intermediate State (2 Cor. 5:1-10)

**II. Important Questions About the Intermediate State**

- A. Old Testament Saints
  
- B. Purgatory
  
- C. Soul Sleep
  
- E. Second-chances
  
- F. Reincarnation
  
- G. Unbelievers

**III. The Resurrection of the Body**

- A. Our salvation is not complete until our bodies are raised and we are glorified  
Job 19:25-26; Psa. 49:15; Isa. 26:19; Dan. 12:2  
Rom. 8:16-17, 23, 29-30; 1 Cor. 15:12-58
  
- B. Believers will receive resurrected, glorified bodies like Christ's (Phil. 3:21; 1 Jn.  
3:2)

- C. The Resurrection will be a general resurrection, which will be of both the righteous and the wicked, on the last day (the end of this age)  
Jn. 5:28-29; 6:39-40; 11:23-24; Acts 24:15; Matt. 25:31-46; Rev. 20:11-15

#### **IV. The Final Judgment**

- A. The final judgment will be a general judgment, including both the righteous and the wicked, at the time of the general resurrection  
(See passages in III. C, also, Matt. 7:22; 11:22; Acts 17:31; Rom. 2:5; 2 Pet. 3:7).
- B. The Necessity of Final Judgment
- C. Christ will be the Judge  
Jn. 5:22; 2 Cor. 5:10; Matt. 25:32
- D. All persons will stand before the final judgment  
Psa. 9:7-8; Acts 17:31; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:11-15
- E. Our words and works will be judged  
Matt. 12:36; Rom. 2:5-11; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:12; 22:12
- F. Degrees of Punishment  
Matt. 11:20-22; Lk. 12:47-48
- G. Degrees of Rewards  
Lk. 19:12-27; 1 Cor. 3:10-15

#### **Conclusion**