

Concerning those who will and will not enter the kingdom of God and New and Heavenly Jerusalem.

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Christ Jesus said, 'No man can see the kingdom of God, nor enter into the kingdom of God, except he is born again of water, and of the spirit. For that which is born of the flesh, is flesh, and that which is born of the spirit, is spirit.' John 3:6. 'He that was born after the flesh, persecuted him that was born after the spirit; even so it is now.' Gal 4:29. 'In Christ, neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision; but a new creature. For he that sows to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that sows to the spirit, shall of the spirit reap life everlasting.' Gal 5:15,8.

Now consider, what good all the Christians' or the Jews,' or Turks' outward worships, religions, or professions do them. If they are not *new creatures*, and born again, it avails them nothing, neither shall they see the kingdom of God, or enter into it, except they are born again *of the spirit*; for if they do sow to the flesh, of the flesh they shall reap corruption, for they cannot sow to the spirit, and of the spirit reap life eternal, except they are born of the spirit.

'The acts of the sinful nature (works of the flesh) are manifest, which are these, sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.' Gal 5:19-21.

And now consider, all you that do these evil works, the apostle tells you, you shall not inherit the kingdom of God, for the kingdom of God is not in words, but in power; and stands in righteousness and peace, and joy in the holy ghost.

And again, the apostle said, 'Do you not know that the unrighteous and the wrongdoers will not inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived (misled): neither the impure and immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers,

nor those who participate in homosexuality, nor cheats (swindlers and thieves), nor greedy graspers, nor drunkards, nor foulmouthed revilers and slanderers, nor extortioners and robbers will inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God.' 1 Cor 6:9-10.

Here you may see, such as act and live in these wicked things, shall not inherit the kingdom of God. And therefore, you that act such things and live in them, consider what your end will be, and what kingdom you must inherit.

And the apostle said to the Corinthians, 'Know you not that you are the temple of God, and the spirit of God dwells in you? If any man defiles the temple of God, God shall destroy him; for the temple of God is holy, which temple you are. Let no man deceive himself.' 1 Cor 3:16-18.

Here you may see what judgment God threatens upon those who defile his temple; namely, their bodies, as in 1 Cor 6:15-19.

And the apostle said to the Ephesians, 'among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. For of this you can be sure: no impure, immoral, or covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words, for because of these things comes the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience,' as you may see in Eph 5:3-6.

Now here you may see, those who commit these things and live in them, shall not inherit the kingdom of Christ nor of God; but these evil things who commit them, bring the wrath of God upon them; and do not deceive yourselves, for you cannot escape it. And these evil things are so far from being practiced or acted among the saints, that they are not so much as once to be named among them; the saints are to be kept holy, those who inherit the kingdom of Christ and of God, which is holy.

And Christ said unto John, 'He who **overcomes** will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. ' Rev 21:7-8.

1. [Sexual immoral includes anyone who looks at a woman or man lustfully, having already committed adultery with that person in their heart. Mat 5:28
2. Murderers, includes anyone who hates his brother, having committed murder in his heart. 1 John 3:15

3. And theft includes: fudged expense accounts, fudged expenses on tax returns, fudged expense reporting, hiding revenue from the government taxation, etc.
4. Magic arts includes those in the false church of Babylon, who have harloted themselves with the world, seeking wages and position, and worshiping the beast with horns like a lamb - the imitation church of Christ, the sects of Christendom - the whole world, all nations, all people thinking themselves to be worshiping Christ, but instead are worshiping the devil.
5. The idolaters includes those who give devotion to anyone or anything equal to or greater than their devotion to God) and all liars (those who knowingly convey untruth by word or deed).

To overcome, is to overcome the world and its lusts, by fighting the fight against the sin in oneself, putting to death through the spirit the deeds of the body, to victory over sin.]

Now here you may see is the end of all such that live in such unclean actions, according to Christ's judgment. And the end and comfort of all those who overcome the devil and his works, they shall inherit all things, and shall be called God's sons.

'And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of heavenly Jerusalem, the glory of the Lord lights it, and the lamb is the light thereof. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, for there shall be no night there, and there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defiles, neither whosoever works abomination, or makes a lie, but they which are written in the lamb's book of life; they shall enter into this heavenly Jerusalem, for without this heavenly Jerusalem 'are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.' Rev 21:22-27,22:15.

And therefore consider, all you that live in these evils, and are defiled with them, Christ tells you that none such can enter into this holy city New Jerusalem.

And John said, 'the devil who had deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire that burns with brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown; and shall be tormented day and night forever and forever.' So here is an end of the devil, beast, and false prophet; and his followers. *

*[This text is frequently quoted to prove that all those who have been deceived will be tormented night and day forever - but **look**, all four Bibles say **only the devil is** cast into the lake of fire and **tormented forever**. Those deceived are cast in the lake of fire and have **their part** the lake of fire, but they are **not** also tormented forever; those who have been deceived, after their time, are

reconciled to God. But the devil was not deceived; he knew what he was doing when he deliberately rebelled against God's direction. The whole creation will be reconciled to God, except the devil.]

And John he saw 'death and hell were cast into the lake of fire, this is the second death; and whosoever was not found written in the lamb's book of life, was cast into the lake of fire;' there is their end [judgment].

'And the beast and his followers made war with him that sat upon the horse,' namely, Christ and his followers, 'and the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that worked miracles before the beast, with which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast, and those who worshipped his image; these both were cast alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone.' And here is the end [judgment] of such deceivers and worshippers, as you may see in Revelation 19:19-20; which make war against Christ and his followers, but he is too hard for them, and 'overcomes them.' And they 'that worship the image that the beast has made,' such do not worship God in spirit and truth, as Christ commanded above sixteen hundred years ago. And you may see the judgment and punishment of the great whore, mystery, Babylon, mother of harlots, or false church, who has whored from the spirit of Christ that the apostles were in, who has drunk the blood of the martyrs, and in her was found the blood of the prophets, and of the saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth concerning religion and worship; in this whore which is whored from the spirit of God the apostles were in. But you may read her judgment and punishment, fall and destruction, in Revelation 17,18. 'And of the beast that ascended out of the bottomless pit, and goes into perdition, and they who dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life, from the foundation of the world.'

But they whose names are written in the book of life, do not wonder at the downfall of the beast, and whore, the false church. And Christ Jesus said unto his disciples, and to the multitude, 'Except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter into the kingdom of heaven.' Mat 5:20. Christ's righteousness does exceed the righteousness of the law, and man's own outward righteousness, which is as filthy rags.

Christ said, 'It is not every one that said unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven.' Mat 7:21. So here you may see it is not the sayers of the will of God, and calling Christ Lord, but the doers of the will of God that enter into the kingdom of heaven. And James said, 'if they were hearers of the word only, and not doers, they deceive their own souls;' for the apostle Paul said, 'The hearers of the law

are not justified before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.' James 1:22,Rom 2:13.

And Christ Jesus said, 'Woe be unto you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you shut up the kingdom of heaven against men, for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in.' Mat 12:13.

Now is not this the state and condition of many great professors in Christendom, with their long prayers, and with their tithes, mint, anise and cumin, and making, or winning to themselves proselytes, and shutting up the kingdom of heaven from men; and neither go in themselves, nor allow those who would enter.' And drawing people from the light of Christ, and his spirit, and power, and grace, in their own hearts, by which they should see the kingdom of God, and enter into it. And Christ said to his disciples when he 'sent them forth as sheep in the midst of wolves,' namely, the outward professing Jews, 'And whosoever shall not receive you and hear your words, when you depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. Verily, I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city.' Mat 10:14-15.

Here you may see those who will not receive the message of Christ and his gospel, they 'shake off the dust of their feet against them,' and leave them to the day of judgment, as Paul and Barnabas did, in Acts 13:50-51. 'And Christ said to him that he gave five talents to, and he had gained five talents more. 'Well done you good and faithful servant: you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter you into the joy of your Lord.' Mat 25:20-21. Here you may see those who do well, and do improve their heavenly talents, do 'enter into the joy of the Lord.' And they which do believe do enter into rest, and he that is entered into his rest is ceased from his own works, as God did from his; and they which do not believe in the life of Christ, do not enter into him their rest, because of their disobedience. Heb 4:6,10. And therefore consider, where they remain, if it is not in the kingdom of the beast and dragon, 'full of darkness?' and there 'they gnaw their tongues for pain, and yet will not repent of their evil deeds.' Rev 16. But unto his son he said, 'Your throne O God is for ever, and ever, a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom.' Heb 1:8. And Peter said, 'Of a truth, I perceive that God shows no partiality, but in every nation whoever fears Him, and **works righteousness** is accepted with him.' Acts 10:34-35.

Here you may see they must be those who work righteousness, and not only talk of righteousness, if they are to be accepted by God. And the unprofitable servant that hid his talent, and did not improve it, it was taken from him, and he 'cast into utter darkness, ... where there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth;' and will not this be the portion of all those who do not improve their heavenly talent

that Christ gave unto them. And Christ Jesus speaking of the 'sheep on his right, and the goats on his left hand; to the goats he said, Depart from me you cursed into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.' And so 'they do go into everlasting punishment;' but the sheep, which are the righteous, 'that are on his right hand, they shall go into everlasting life.' Mat 25. Now here you may see Christ's judgments upon the wicked, and their end, and the happiness and eternal state of the righteous, which Christ calls his sheep.