



Looking Ahead –

Summer schedule:

August 4 – No class.

August 11 – Class.

August 18 – No class.

August 25 – Class.

Sept. 1 – No class. Labor Day weekend.

Fall, Winter, & Spring schedule: (meets weekly except for holidays)

Sept. 8 – Class.

Quiz

1. What do the following 3 pictures represent?

“The Great White Throne Judgment”

Part 3

Rev. 20:11-15

July 28, 2019



	<u>Color</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
Seal #1	White	Bow	Deception/Antichrist
Seal #2	Red	Sword	Blood/War
Seal #3	Black	Scales	Famine
Seal #4	Ashen/Pale	Authority	Death/Grave



Ezek 37:1-6

- 1 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and He brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me down **in the middle of the valley; and it was full of bones.**
- 2 He caused me to pass among them round about, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley; and lo, they were very dry.
- 3 He said to me, **"Son of man, can these bones live?"** And I answered, **"O Lord God, You know."**
- 4 Again He said to me, **"Prophecy over these bones and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.'**
- 5 **"Thus says the Lord God to these bones, 'Behold, I will cause breath to enter you that you may come to life.**
- 6 **'I will put sinews on you, make flesh grow back on you, cover you with skin and put breath in you that you may come alive; and you will know that I am the Lord.'"**



Rev 9:13-18

- 13 Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,
- 14 one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates."
- 15 And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind.
- 16 The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them.
- 17 And this is how I saw in the vision the horses and those who sat on them: the riders had breastplates the color of fire and of hyacinth and of brimstone; and the heads of the horses are like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths proceed fire and smoke and brimstone.

2. What are the 6 purposes for the Tribulation found in Dan. 9:24

Dan 9:24

24 "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place.

6 reasons for the Tribulation:

1. "to finish the transgression" – to bring sin under divine control.
2. "to make an end of sin" – to break the power of sin
3. "to make atonement for iniquity" – to cover sin with the blood of the Messiah.
4. "to bring in everlasting righteousness" – to establish standards for life.
5. "to seal up vision and prophecy" – to finish revelation.
6. "to anoint the most holy place" – to build a millennial temple.

3. 3 ways the word "salvation" used in scripture:

SANCTIFICATION

- 1 Peter 2:2
like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation.

GLORIFICATION

- 1 Peter 1:5
5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

JUSTIFICATION

- Rom 10:9-10
9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;
10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

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Third Heaven

- O.T Believers
- Church Believers
- Tribulation Believers
- Millennial Kingdom Believers

Great White Throne



Place of Torment

The Dead (All Unbelievers from all time)

Lake of Fire

- Satan
- Demons
- Antichrist (Beast)
- False Prophet (Second Beast)



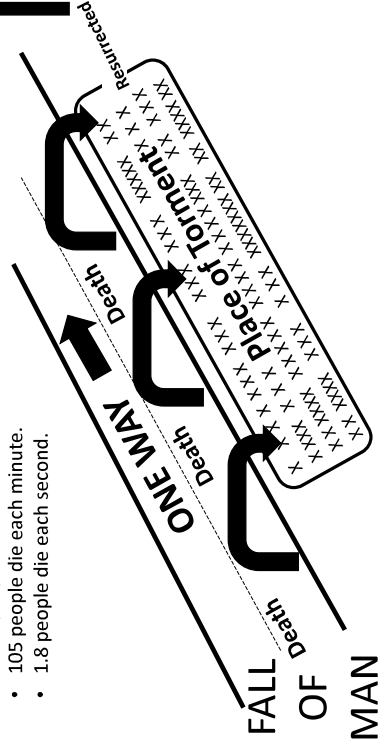
“Life is an endless conveyor belt of dead bodies.”

In the world -

- 55.3 million people die each year.
- 151,600 people die each day.
- 6,316 people die each hour.
- 105 people die each minute.
- 1.8 people die each second.

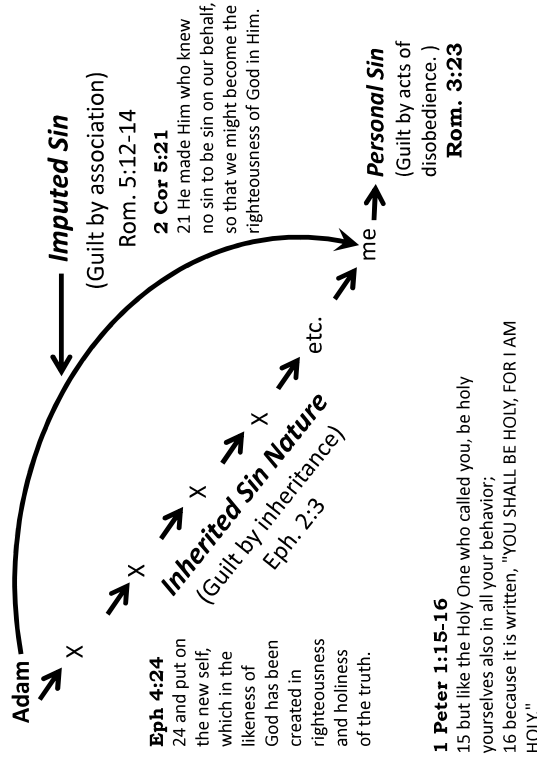
GREAT WHITE THRONE

JUDGMENT



Heb 9:27

27 And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment.



1 Peter 1:15-16

15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; 16 because it is written, “YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.”

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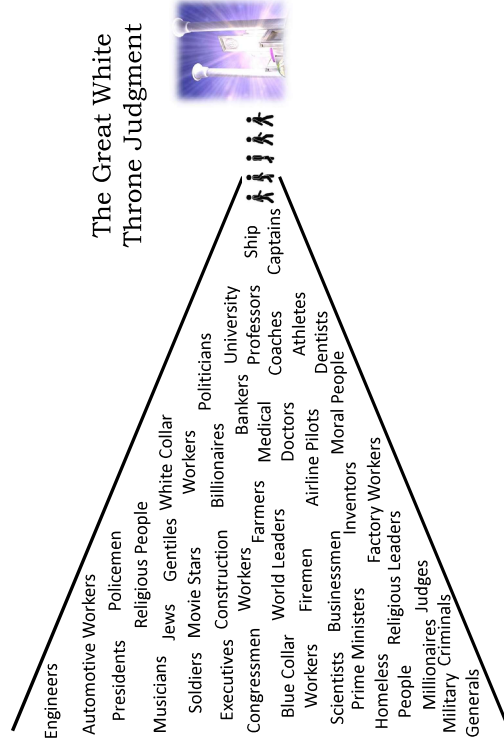
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The ground is level at the foot of the cross
and the ground is also level at the foot of
the Great White Throne.

“the great and the small, . . .”



6 categories of people who will be at the GWTJ:

1. **The religious.**
 - Over 80% of the world's population is connected to a religion.
 - Religion will damn a person faster than anything else. Why? People have a hard time getting out of the web of a religious system.
 - Because of that, demons traffic in religion more than anything else.
 - A list of some of the religious leaders and founders that will find themselves standing at the GWTJ:
 - Mohammed
 - Rev. Moon
 - Popes
 - Bishops
 - Rabbis/Pharisees/Sadducees
 - Confucius
 - Ministers of liberal Protestant denominations (Greek Orthodox, ELCA, United Methodist, Episcopal, Anglican, PCUSA, United Church of Christ.
 - Buddha
 - Joseph Smith
 - Archbishops
 - Priests/Monks
 - Mary Baker Eddy
 - Hare Krishna
 - Religious followers who followed these leaders and their false religions.

Col 2:20

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2. The moral self-righteous.

- These are people standing before the throne who may have no religious affiliation.
- They have attempted to live an up-right moral life, which they believed would usher them into heaven.
- They now realize as they stand before the throne that their morality did not move them an inch closer to God.
- Morality saves no one.
- They may be standing side by side with the most immoral, vile, filthy, wretched people that ever walked the face of the earth.
- It doesn't matter whether you go to hell as a prostitute or a policeman, it only matters that you go to hell.
- So they have to be asking, "Where did my morality get me?"

Rom 2:12

12 For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law;

- How much of the law of God you are able to keep doesn't really matter to God. You will always come up short.

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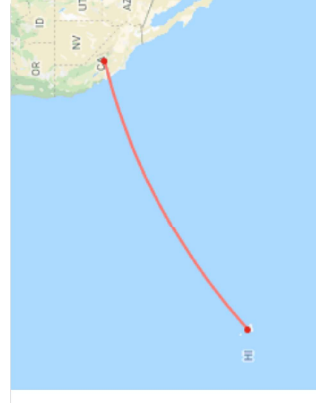
- These religious unbelievers will make up the vast majority of those who will be standing before the Great White Throne.
- They are the most difficult people to reach with the gospel.
- The Lord Jesus had the harshest words and the most intense words trying to pierce the veneer of religion in the Pharisees (religious right) and the Sadducees (religious left). And the results were only an occasional conversion.

Matt 23:15

15 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, because you travel around on sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves.

Rom 3:10-18

10 THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE;
 11 THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS,
 THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD;
 12 ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE, TOGETHER THEY HAVE BECOME USELESS;
 THERE IS NONE WHO DOES GOOD,
 THERE IS NOT EVEN ONE."
 13 "THEIR THROAT IS AN OPEN GRAVE,
 WITH THEIR TONGUES THEY KEEP DECEIVING,"
 "THE POISON OF ASPS IS UNDER THEIR LIPS";
 14 "WHOSE MOUTH IS FULL OF CURSING AND BITTERNESS";
 15 "THEIR FEET ARE SWIFT TO SHED BLOOD,
 16 DESTRUCTION AND MISERY ARE IN THEIR PATHS,
 17 AND THE PATH OF PEACE THEY HAVE NOT KNOWN."
 18 "THERE IS NO FEAR OF GOD BEFORE THEIR EYES."



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Distance from California to Hawaii

3. The active rebellious.

- These are people standing before the throne who have not been passive in their rebellion against God.
- They have rejected God, they have run from God as far as they could, and they have opposed God with every decision and action possible.
- They know they are guilty, they know they deserve Hell and they expect nothing less.
- They now meet the God of the universe who will be more than active on His part to sentence them to the Lake of Fire.

Prov 17:11

11 A rebellious man seeks only evil,

Num 14:9

9 "Only do not rebel against the Lord;

Jer 28:15

15 "Therefore thus says the Lord, 'Behold, I am about to remove you from the face of the earth. This year you are going to die, because you have counseled rebellion against the Lord.'"

Neh 9:26

26 "But they became disobedient and rebelled against You, And cast Your law behind their backs
And killed Your prophets who had admonished them
So that they might return to You,
And they committed great blasphemies.

Josh 1:18

18 "Anyone who rebels against your command and does not obey your words in all that you command him, shall be put to death;

Ps 107:10-11

10 There were those who dwelt in darkness and in the shadow of death, Prisoners in misery and chains,

11 Because they had rebelled against the words of God

And spurned the counsel of the Most High.

4. The passive indifferent.

- These are just the opposite, who stand before the throne.
- God to them is a distant figure.
- They are indifferent in that they really don't care.
- "God if we meet someday, fine, and if we don't that's fine too."
- Among the passive indifferent are also the procrastinators. These are the one's who keep putting off "making a decision for Christ." "I'll do it someday, and for sure before I die."
- They have ignored the Bible's warning in

2 Cor 6:2

"Behold, now is "THE ACCEPTABLE TIME," behold, now is "THE DAY OF SALVATION"

- These passive indifferent will experience regret without repentance.

5. The big achievers.

- These are the rich, the movie stars, the athletes, the Kings, the Presidents, the Prime Ministers, people in Congress, the Parliament, and every other elevated position in society where achievement becomes a god.
- These are the people who gave their souls to achieve wealth, status, fame, position, and power.
- They have won elections, World Series, Super Bowls, Stanley Cups, NBA Championships, World Cups.
- They have built skyscrapers, ships, aircraft, and nations.
- They have entertained the world through the media of TV, movies, books, radio, magazines, and night clubs.
- They have flaunted their ego to be bigger than life. "it's all about me."
- They have taken the things of this world, including themselves, and formed a golden calf to be worshipped by the rest of the world.
- They now realize as they stand before the throne that they were blinded and self-deceived into thinking that their trivial pursuits and accomplishments did anything to secure a future beyond their temporal lives.
- These big achievers now stand next to the garbage man, the sewer worker, the ditch digger, even beggars, and all other ordinary, common, people of this world who accomplished nothing more than to live a quiet life, put food on the table, a roof over their head, and clothes on their bodies.

Prov 11:4

4 Riches do not profit in the day of wrath,

Luke 12:15

15 Then He said to them, "Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions."

Mark 8:35-38

35 "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

36 "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?

37 "For what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

38 "For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this

adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

6. The atheists.

- 7% of the world's population.
- These are the people before the throne who have boldly stated that God does not exist.
- They now realize they were wrong.
- They have suppressed the truth which plainly proves His existence.
- They have invented, pushed, and supported the colossal lie of evolution.
- They now stand before the God of the universe trembling because of their own blindness and frightened by a throne, a judge, and a condemnation that is sure to fall.
- They, like the religious unbelievers, are some of the most shocked. The difference will be they will not be shouting out, "Lord, Lord, . . ." How could they have missed it? How could they be so wrong? They are without excuse (Rom 1:20).
- They will confirm, by their presence before the throne, this verse -

Ps 53:1

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God,"

"The king, the pauper, the general, the foot soldier, the master, the slave, the borrower and the lender will all stand before God. None will escape and none will hide, but all will face the Righteous Judge in judgment that day! Preachers, deacons, church members, popes, priests, nuns, choir members, drunks, whores, drug addicts, pimps, pushers, grandmothers, grandfathers, teenagers, moms and dads, will all stand together before the throne to face their judgment! There will be no escape and there will be no exceptions. Every lost sinner from Cain to the last one will stand before the Lord Jesus Christ!"

- Alan Carr

"There is a terrible fellowship (commonness) there, the dead, small and great, stand before God. Dead souls are united to dead bodies in a fellowship of horror and despair. Little men and paltry women whose lives were filled with pettiness, selfishness, and nasty little sins will be there. Those whose lives amounted to nothing will be there, whose very sins were drab and dowdy, mean, spiteful, peevish, groveling, vulgar, common, and cheap. The great will be there, men who sinned with a high hand, with dash and courage and flair, men like Alexander and Napoleon. Hitler and Stalin will be present, men who went in for wickedness on a grand scale with the world for their stage and who died unrepentant at last. Now one and all are arraigned and on their way to be damned, a horrible fellowship congregated together for the first and last time."

- John Phillips

"standing before the throne, . . ."

Why are they standing?

There are 3 times in a courtroom that those being tried are required to stand:

1. When the Judge enters the courtroom.
2. When the verdict is read.
3. When the sentence is given by the Judge.

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"These people, small and great, rich and poor, wise and unwise, kings and peasants, are not standing on the earth; they are not standing on a cloud. They are standing before God Almighty, held in their position by His omnipotence! There is no place to hide . . . the mountains, caves and rocks are gone. The clouds, the atmosphere, the earth, have fled away. The guilty stand before God with no place to hide. They face God; there is no escape and no shelter. They must face Him who sits upon the throne!"

- Oliver Green

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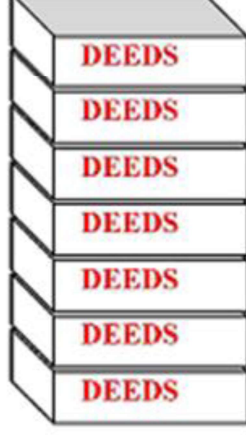
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The uniqueness of a book:

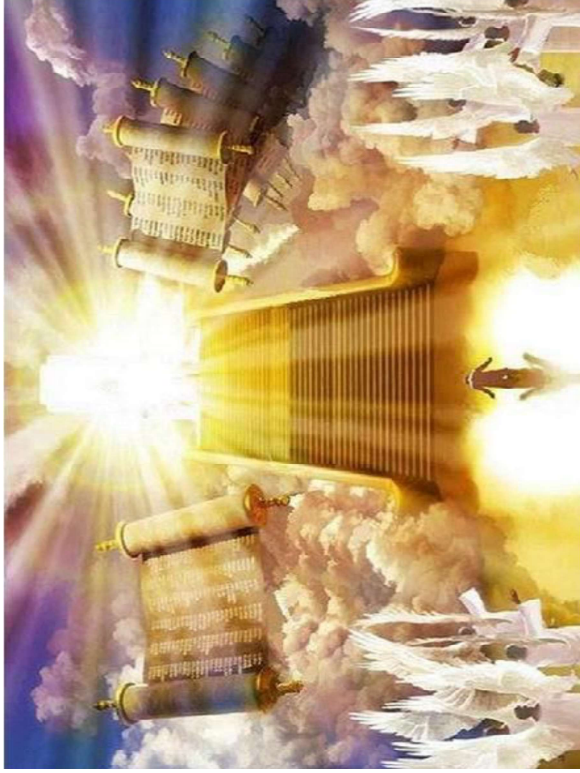
1. It is a **DOCUMENT**.
2. It is **OBJECTIVE**.
3. It is **VERIFIABLE**.
4. It is **UNCHANGABLE**.



“and books were opened; . . .”

- 2 sets of books were kept in a city or village in Bible times:
 - Register of the citizens of the city.
 - Register of the criminals and what they had done (a criminal record).

“and another book was opened, which is the book of life; . . .”



John 12:48-49

48 "He who rejects Me and does not receive My sayings, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will judge him at the last day.



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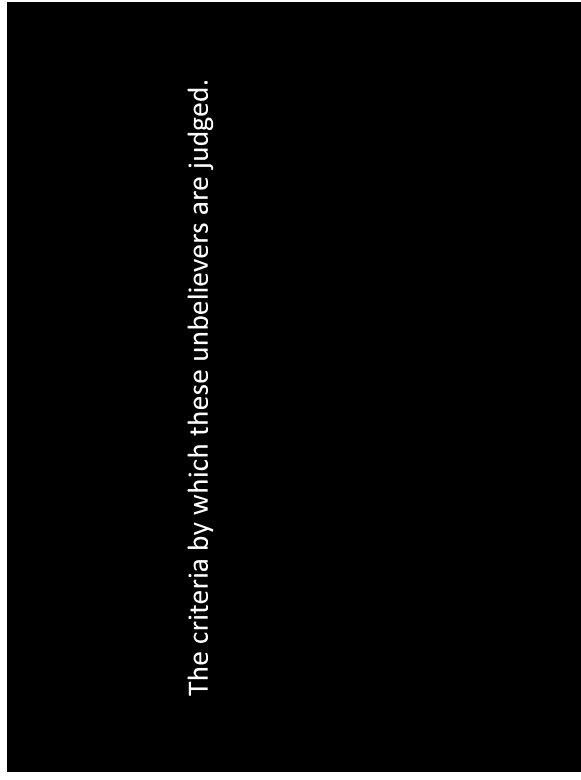
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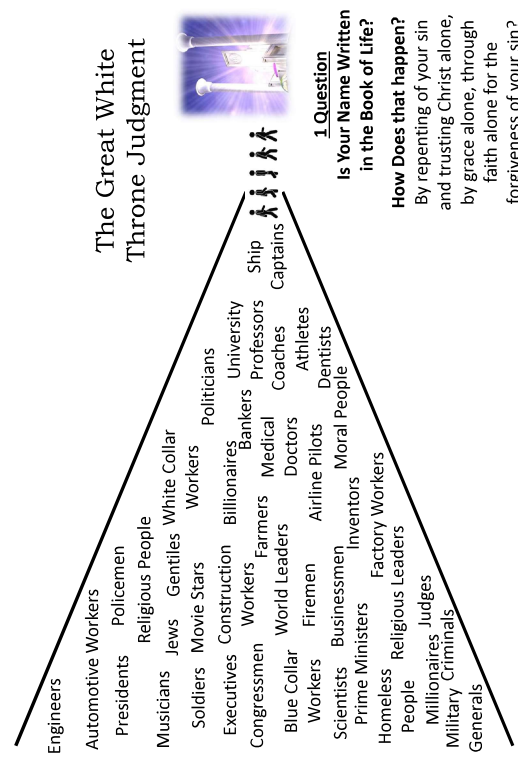
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The criteria by which these unbelievers are judged.



Was it clear in the Bible what was required to have your name written in the Book of Life?

John 3:18

18 "He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

1 John 5:11-12

11 And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

12 He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life.

John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,

26 and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die.

1 John 4:15

15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

Rom 10:13

13 for "WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED."

Acts 2:14

21 'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.'

John 3:3

3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Rom 1:20

20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

Acts 4:12

12 "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

John 14:6

6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

John 3:36

36 "He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

Rom 10:9

1 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

1 Tim 2:5-6

5 For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself as a ransom for all,

John 3:16

16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Acts 16:27-31

27 When the jailer awoke and saw the prison doors opened, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped.

28 But Paul cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here!"

29 And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas,

30 and after he brought them out, he said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

31 They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."