

Sunday March 22nd 2015
From Here To Eternity
Part Twenty
Study Questions

1). From God's perspective what are the 3 divisions seen in the human race?

a). What is the whole of human history moving towards and what does this mean for these 3 groups?

b). On what basis is God presently dealing with Christians?

c). What is our part in this?

d). When will God's dealings with Christians end and what will then take place?

e). Which scriptures did we look at in connection with God and Christians?

2). What have we looked at in past weeks concerning God dealing with Israel?

a). Read Ezekiel 20:33-38 – what happens at the wilderness of the peoples?

b). What do we see here that is the same as the experience for Christians at Christ's Judgment Seat?

c). What is the common thread that runs through God's dealings with both Christians and Jews/OT saints?

d). What conclusion must we draw from this?

3). What have we seen in our studies thus far concerning God's dealings with the Gentile nations?

a). How is His judgment of Gentile World power different from the judgment of Christians and Jews?

b). What connection does God's judgment upon Gentile world power have with the Millennial Kingdom?

4). Read Matthew 24:14 – What does this verse describe?

a). Given the conditions that will prevail on the earth at this time what must we conclude about many of the eternally saved?

b). Where do we first see some of the eternally saved Gentiles who have been killed and what does the scripture record about them?

c). What have we come to call this group and why?

d). Is it right to think that the martyrs are the only ones who will be killed during this time?

e). Going back to what we already know – which 2 groups of Christians appear at Christ's Judgment Seat?

f). Which 2 groups of 'Jews' are re-gathered to the wilderness of the peoples?

g). What is common to both these sets of Christians and Jews?

h). Following the Battle of Armageddon then what should we expect to find concerning groups of eternally saved Gentiles?

i). Given what we have already seen concerning Christians and Jews what must now be the experience of the eternally saved Gentiles and for what purpose?

5). Read Revelation 20:1-6 – What are the events seen in these verses a continuation of?

a). What is seen in v1-3?

b). What is depicted in the first sentence of v4?

c). How should we understand the word ‘judgment’ seen here in v4 and which example did we look at that shows us how we are to understand its use in v4?

d). Compare the first half of the second sentence in v4 with Revelation Chapter 6:9 – what conclusion can we draw from this?

e). So, who are ‘they’ that sat on the thrones?

f). Given what we have already seen with regards to a separation amongst Christians and Jews prior to rulership what must we conclude has happened that allows these Tribulation martyrs to sit on the thrones?

g). Read Revelation 20:4-5 again – who are those who lived and reigned with Christ for a 1000 years? How is their experience described?

h). How is their faithfulness described?

i). What are we told about ‘the dead’?

j). What is the context in which both ‘life’ and ‘death’ are seen in these verses and how should we understand what these 2 words mean?

k). How is this the same for us?

l). What essentially do we see taking place here then?

m). Read Revelation Chapter 20:6 again – Where has been our focus concerning ‘resurrection’ in our past weeks of study?

n). What is the Greek word translated ‘resurrection’ and what literally does it mean? Does it have anything to do with bodily resurrection of itself?

o). Does resurrection of itself imply spiritual life and how would we know?

p). Read Philippians 3:11 – what Greek word is translated ‘resurrection’ here and what does it literally mean?

q). Why is it impossible for Paul to be talking about bodily resurrection in this verse?

r). So, what then is Paul talking about and how does this apply to ‘the first resurrection’?

s). *5 But the rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years were finished.* – What does this mean?

t). Compare Revelation 2:11 with Revelation 20:6 – the second sentence. What do we learn from this?

u). Any final thoughts?