# Where will you spend



What a solemn question! Perhaps you are well and strong and you think you have a long time to live. What if you are wrong? What if death is nearer than you think?

A rich man once said to himself, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This night your soul will be required of you" (Luke 12:19-20). That rich man must have been shocked to hear he only had a few more hours to live. You just don't know when your time will come.

# **Get Ready Now**

Christ is knocking at your door, waiting for you to open to Him. "Behold, **now** is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). "Do not boast about tomorrow; for you do not know what a day may bring forth" (Proverbs 27:1). Accept God's offer of salvation **now** just as you are.

## Your Life Under observation

Yes, God is closely observing every detail of your life and He will "bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts" (1 Corinthians 4:5).

What an awful day when every secret thought and hidden action will be brought to light by God Himself. You know you have not glorified Him in your every thought and action. You have not been as thankful to Him as you should be. You have been living for yourself, according to your own plans without considering God. How can you meet God in that day of judgment without a Savior?

# **Judgment Day Is Coming**

"Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it ... And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened" (Revelation 20:11-12). You are not going to be judged according to what you think about yourself, nor by what others think about you. You will be judged by what God Himself writes in those books.

"And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books" (Revelation 20:12). God sees every motive of your heart. He knows every secret thought, every covered act.

"And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire" (Revelation 20:15). None shall escape judgment except those whose names are found in the book of life.

### **But Wait!**

Think a moment about what Jesus Christ did for you when He was crucified.

"Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree ... For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God" (1 Peter 2:24; 3:18). "The LORD has laid

on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6). "So Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many" (Hebrews 9:28). "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

### Love

"In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation (atoning sacrifice) for our sins" (1 John 4:10). Think what it cost Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, to suffer on the cross that we might be set free from the coming judgment and be in heaven with Him forever! "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends" (John 15:13). "By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us" (1 John 3:16). What love!

He is ready and willing to receive and forgive you if you will confess your sins and rebellion to Him. Come to Him just as you are. Hear Him calling you, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). "The one who comes to Me," Jesus said, "I will by no means cast out" (John 6:37). Come now – tomorrow may be too late!

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