

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he has done, whether it be good or bad. Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men." **2 Corinthians 5:10-11**

• _____ is a legitimate motivating factor when used properly. The Bible says the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom.

"For we know him that has said, Vengeance belongs to me, I will recompense, says the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." **Hebrews 10:30-31**

• There are 3 things we learn about God's judgment in this chapter.

First, God's judgment is always _____. Vs. 8

- Christ's judgment proceeds from His complete righteousness.
- Christ came to bring light to people, but light ______
 becomes lightning.

"For the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment to the Son: that all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father... Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that hears my word, and believes on him that sent me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life... For as the Father has life in himself; so has he given to the Son to have life in himself; and has given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man... for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, to the resurrection of damnation."

John 5:22-24, 26-29

- Paul did not preach ______ to the exclusion of judgment.
- If a person _____ God's remedy for sin and rejects Christ, they are left to incur the judgment and vengeance of God.

"Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God,... and to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; when He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe... in that day."

2 Thessalonians 1:5, 7-10

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