



# Major Bible Themes

52 VITAL DOCTRINES OF THE SCRIPTURE  
SIMPLIFIED AND EXPLAINED

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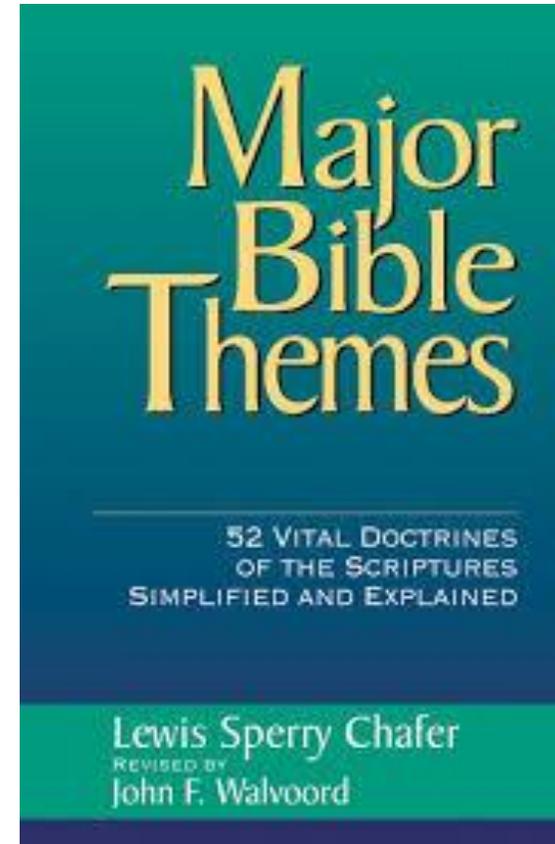
## Chapter Forty-Eight

# The Seven Judgements

# Step # One

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### Find the Outline



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1. The Judgment of the Church at the Bema Seat
2. The Judgment of Old Testament Believers
3. The Judgment of Tribulation Believers
4. The Judgment of Living Israel
5. The Judgment of Living Gentiles
6. The Final Judgment of Satan and His Demons
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# Understand It



## 1. The Judgment of the Church at the Bema Seat

This judgment, also called the Judgment of the Bema, is for the body of Christ only, the church, and it will take place in heaven immediately after the rapture of the church and the resurrection of the believers who have died in the Lord. It will be a judgement for rewards

**2 Corinthians 5:10** says, *“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”*

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## 2. The Judgment of Old Testament Believers

The resurrection and rewarding of Old Testament saints will take place after the 7-year Tribulation according to **Daniel 12:1-2**. *“At that time Michael shall stand up, the great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting contempt.”* After the Tribulation period is over, Jesus Christ will return (with the church saints) to resurrect and reward the Old Testament saints. Consequently, every believer who has died from the time of Adam until the Second Coming of Christ will have been resurrected by this time.

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### **3. The Judgment of Tribulation Believers**

Those who trust Christ during the Tribulation period and are martyred will be raised and rewarded at the Second coming of Christ. We read the following in **Revelation 20:4-6**. *“And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.”* *“But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he who has a part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”*

## Understand It



### 4. The Judgment of Living Israel

All Jews who survive the Tribulation will be judged right after the Second coming. The saved will enter the millennial kingdom, and the lost will be purged (**Ezekiel 20:38**). The Scripture teaches that before the Messiah can begin to reign, a judgment must take place to determine who will enter the millennial kingdom, “for they are not all Israel who are of Israel” (**Romans 9:6b**). **Ezekiel 20:34 and Ezekiel 39:28** say that God will bring Israel out from the nations where she has been scattered throughout the times of the Gentiles into her own land. The fulfillment of this prophecy started happening in 1948 when Israel became an independent state once again. From that time on, Jews are seen returning to their land in large numbers.

## Understand It



So, when Christ returns personally to earth, He will first gather Israel outside the land of Israel, called the “*wilderness of the peoples,*” to execute judgment on them face to face (**Ezekiel 20:35-36**). **Matthew 24:31** also says, “*And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.*”

What will be the basis of God’s judgment? As in the church age, salvation in the Tribulation for both the Jews and Gentiles is through faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ as the Lamb of God.

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Every single one of them will have to pass under the “rod of God” and their individual works will be brought into judgment, but not because they are saved by their works, but because their works demonstrate that they failed to acknowledge Jesus as their Messiah.

### 5. The Judgment of Living Gentiles

Just as the Lord judges the Jews who survive the Tribulation when He personally returns to earth, so He will also judge those Gentiles who remain. This is often referred to as the judgment of the “sheep and goats” (**Matthew 25:31-46**). The righteous will enter the millennial kingdom and the unrighteous will be cast into hell.

# Understand It



**Matthew 25:31-33** *“When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.”*

Though salvation is by grace through faith, the saved who survive the Tribulation will be identified by their works in befriending their Jewish brothers. During the Tribulation where universal anti-Semitism is prevalent, befriending Jews is an outward manifestation of one’s salvation. **Matthew 25:40, 45** *“And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.’”*

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### 6. The Final Judgment of Satan and His Demons

Christ will also judge Satan, the created spirit-being who became the devil and his followers when He returns to the earth and sets up His kingdom, and their judgment is certain. They will be sent to the bottomless pit and eventually to the lake of fire where they will be condemned and punished for all eternity. **Revelation 20:10** *“And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”*

**Matthew 25:41** *“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’* (See also 2 Peter 2:4 and Jude 6.)

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## **7. The Great White Throne Judgment**

All the unrighteous or unsaved dead from all time will be judged and sent to their final destination, the lake of fire, at the end of the millennium by the One whom they rejected. They will be judged according to their works.

**Revelation 20:11-15.** *“Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.”*

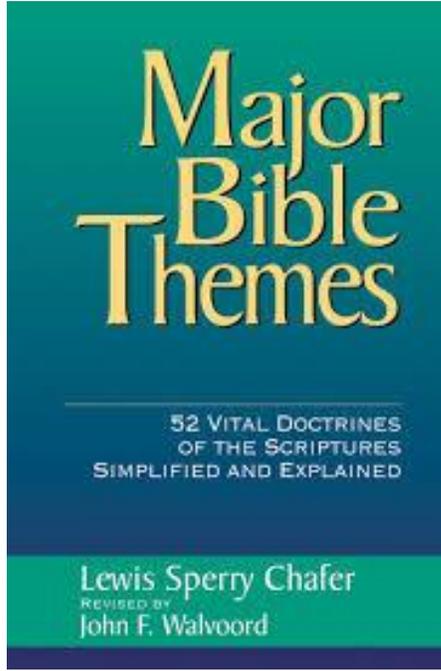
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*“The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.”*

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# Memorize it

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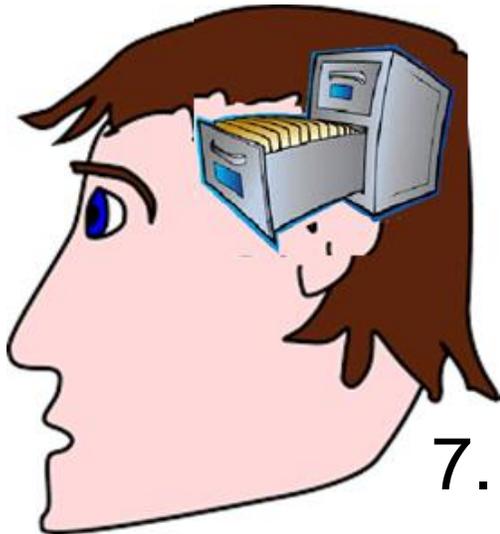
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**Write it Down**



**Underline Main Words...**



# Step # Two

**Read the Section and look up the passages**

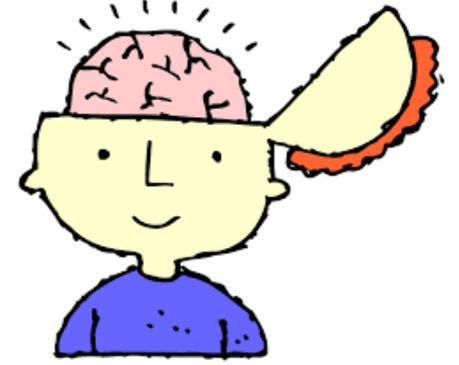


# Step # Three

## Memorize one Passage per section

Learn general and specific later.

- Highlight key words
- Understand difficult words and the meaning



Read out loud 5 times what you are trying to memorize



Write the verse on paper or put the verse into you phone



# **Step # Four      Take the Test at the end of the chapter**

## **Chapter Forty-Eight**

### **The Judgement of Israel and the Nations**

1. What judgments will occur in connection with the second coming of Christ?

The Judgment **of Old Testament Believers**

The Judgment **of Tribulation Believers**

The Judgment **of Living Israel**

The Judgment **of Living Gentiles**

2. What resurrections will occur in connection with the judgments at the second coming of Christ?

The Resurrection **of Old Testament Believers**

The Resurrection **of Tribulation Believers**

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The Resurrection **of Living Gentiles**

3. What is the nature of the reward given those who are judged?

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4. How can you explain that both the church and other saints will reign with Christ?

The church will reign as the bride of Christ; the resurrected saints will reign in their respective capacities as saved Israelites or saved Gentiles. An illustration is afforded in the Book of Esther, where Esther reigned as queen while Mordecai reigned as the king's prime minister. Both Esther and Mordecai reigned, but in different ways and in different capacities. So it will be in the Millennium.

5. What is the particular judgment on living Israelites at the time of the second coming of Christ?

Regathered Israel is divided into two classes of people - those who have accepted Jesus as their Messiah and Savior and are counted worthy to enter the kingdom, and those who are still rebels, unbelievers, and are excluded and put to death.

## 6. Describe the judgment of the sheep and the goats.

This judgement is described as sheep and goats intermingled gathered before a shepherd. Differing in kind, they are divided one from another, the sheep being placed on the right hand of the King and the goats on the left. The King invites the sheep to enter the kingdom based on their treatment of the Jews. "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Then the King turns to those on the left hand and declares unto them, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels". The King goes on to say they have not done these same deeds of kindness which He has ascribed to the sheep.

7. Does this judgment teach that salvation is by works?

Salvation is by faith, works are a fruit of salvation

8. Explain the difference between works as an evidence of salvation and works as a ground of salvation.

We can't do enough work for salvation. It can only come as a result of salvation. Salvation produces works

**Eph 2:8-10** *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*

9. Why are the works attributed to the sheep especially significant in view of the Great Tribulation?

Great persecution will come as a cost of being kind to the Jewish people

10. What practical application can be made of the fact that God regards small deeds of kindness as being important?

The judgment of God upon the Gentiles is another reminder that God observes our works and that our works should demonstrate our faith. Even small deeds of giving water to the thirsty and food to the hungry are not unnoticed by a loving God who is concerned for His people. This passage is another reminder that proper recognition of human need about us, and kindness and good will to our fellowman, is one of the choice evidences of a transformed heart that comes through faith in Jesus Christ.

11. Who of the dead will remain in the grave after the beginning of the Millennium?

Unsaved Dead