

John 5:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

Analysis

'For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son.' The Father has delegated all judgment to the Son. This is not absence of divine judgment but its execution through the Son. The one who gives life also pronounces judgment. Those who reject His life-giving word face His judicial sentence. Judgment is inseparable from the revelation they've received.

Historical Context

Old Testament presents God as judge; Jesus claims this role for Himself. Acts 17:31 confirms: God 'will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained.' The Son's judgment is the Father's judgment executed—another evidence of divine unity.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. Why has the Father committed all judgment to the Son?
2. How does knowing Jesus is Judge affect your response to His offer of life?

Interlinear Text

οὐδὲ	γὰρ	ό	πατὴρ	κρίνει	οὐδένα	ἀλλὰ	τὴν	κρίσιν
G3761	For	G3588	the Father	judgeth	no man	but	G3588	judgment
G1063			G3962	G2919	G3762	G235		G2920
πᾶσαν	δέδωκεν	τῷ		νίῳ				
all	hath committed	G3588		unto the Son				
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Additional Cross-References

John 5:27 (Judgment): And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

Acts 17:31 (Judgment): Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Acts 10:42 (Judgment): And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

Matthew 28:18 (Parallel theme): And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

John 9:39 (Judgment): And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

2 Corinthians 5:10 (Judgment): 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 hath done, whether it be good or bad.

2 Timothy 4:1 (Judgment): I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

Romans 2:16 (Judgment): In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.

John 17:2 (Parallel theme): As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.

Psalms 96:13 (Judgment): Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

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