

# The Great White Throne

The Final Judgment · Eschatology

John saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and heaven fled away. The dead, small and great, stood before God. Books were opened, and another book—the book of life. The dead were judged according to their works. Death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. Whoever was not found in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. This final judgment is terrifying in its finality—there is no appeal, no excuse, no escape. Every idle word will be accounted for. God will render to every man according to his deeds.

## Key Verses

### **Revelation 20:11-12**

And I saw a great white throne, and him that 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, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

### **Revelation 20:14-15**

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

### **Matthew 12:36**

But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

### **Romans 2:5-6**

But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God; Who will render to every man according to his deeds.

**Ecclesiastes 12:14**

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

**Acts 17:31**

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.

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