**Good Morning!** 

Let us all rejoice and be glad This is the Lord's Day!!

#### THE END

Then What?

#### Eccl. 3: 1 "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born,
And

A time to die.

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### The End Then What?

- "And whosoever's name was not found written in the "Book of Life" was cast into the "Lake of Fire." which is the second death
- Q. How does one get their name in that Book?

• Rev. 20 vs 12 ".....and the books were opened;....

• Q. What books?

2 Tim. 3: 16-17 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Eph. 3: 3-5 "How that by revelation He made known to me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, Whereby when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

2 Tim. 2: 15 "Study (what the scriptures) to show thyself
 approved unto God, a workman that needs
 no to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word
 of truth."

Jn. 12: 48 "He that rejects me, and receives not my words, hath one that judges him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day."

• Rev. 20: 12 Q. what books were opened:

The books of the Bible

Q. Who will be judged?

Q. What will be the verdict?

- Matt. 18: 18 "Good master, what must I......And Jesus
   said why call me good there is none good
   but God."
- Rm.3: 10-12 "As it is written, There is none righteous, no not one; There is none that understands, there is none that seek after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that does good, no, not one."

- Rm. 3:19b "....that every mouth may be stopped, and all
- the world may become guilty before God."
- vs 23 "For all have sinned, and come short....."

- Eph. 2: 8 "For by grace are you saved through faith; and
- that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God"

Let's go back to our text in Rev. 20

- Rev. 20: 12 "....and another book was opened, which is
- the Book of Life;..."

- Rev.20: 15 "And whosoever's name was not found
- written in the book of life was cast into
- the lake of fire."

Which is the second death.

- The all important question:
- HOW do I get my name in THE BOOK of LIFE?

- Rm. 4:3 "For what saith the scripture? Abraham
- believed God, and it was counted unto him
- for righteous."

- Rm. 4: 6-8 "Even as David also described the blessed-
- ness of the man unto whom God imputes
- righteousness without works.
- Saying, blessed are they whose iniquities are
- forgiven, and whose sins are covered. *Blessed*
- is the man to whom the Lord will not impute
- sin.
- ???

- While it seems clear, that those who have their names
- in the Book of Life, are those whose sins have been
- forgiven.
- We still have not answered the question,
- How does one get his name in the book.
  - Rm. 6:17-18 "But God be thanked, that you were the
- servants of sin, but you have obeyed from
- the heart that form of doctrine which was
- delivered you.

Being <u>then</u> made free from sin, you became the servants of righteousness.

Jas. 2:23 "And the scripture was fulfilled which said,
 Abraham believed God, and it was imputed
 unto him for righteousness and he was called

the friend of God."

- The scriptures states that Abraham "believed" God!
- Not only did Abraham believe "in" God, but he
- believed God!
- **Heb**. 11:6 "For without faith it is impossible to please
- God: for he that cometh to God must believe
- that He is; and that He is a rewarder of them
- that diligently seek Him."

- Back to the question, How does one get his name in
- the book of life?

- 1. A man must be taught the Gospel. (Must Hear)
- 2. One must believe that which is taught.
- Rm. 10:17 "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by
- the Word of God."
- Romans: Having heard, one must obey from
- the heart that gospel.

- The "faith" of Abraham is always coupled with
- obedience.
- James: 2 Faith without obedience is worthless (dead)
- Repentance: a change of mind that results in a change of life.
- Acts 17:30 "...now commands all men to repent..."
- Luke 13:5 "I tell you, except you repent you shall
  - all likewise Perish."

- 4. Confess faith in Jesus.
- Rm. 10:10 "For with the heart man believes unto
- righteousness;
- and with the mouth confession is made
- unto salvation.
- Matt. 10:32 "Whosoever therefore shall confess me
- before men, him will I confess also
- before my Father which is in heaven."

Acts 8:36-37 "...here's water what hinders me from being baptized? And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, you may, And he said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." "...and they went down into the water, **Acts** 8:38 both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him."

- 5. One must have faith that leads him to obedience.
- Mk. 16:15-16 "And Jesus said unto them, Go ye
- into all the world, and preach the

Gospel to every creature.

He that *believeth*, and is *baptized* shall be saved; he that believeth not shall be damned."

A saving faith is always coupled with obedience!

- Rm. 6:17 "I thank God you WERE the servants of Sin
- BUT you OBEYED that teaching delivered
- THEN you were made FREE from SIN and
- BECAME servants of RIGHTEOUSNESS.
- ACTS 2:44a "And all that believed were together....vs47
- Praising God, and having favor with all the
- people, And the "Lord" added to the church
- (also to the Book of Life) daily all those
- being saved."

How does one gets their name into the "Book of Life."

Answer

One must Hear the gospel call by being taught
 One must Believe the gospel
 One must Repent (change of mind leading to change)
 One must Confess (I believe Jesus is the Christ)
 One must be Baptized into Jesus Christ.

- Now that one has his name recorded in the Book
- of Life;
- What must one do to assure that his name
- remains there.?
- There are some who say "Once you are saved
- it is impossible to fall from grace."

BUT is that true?

- Gal. 5:4 "You are severed from Christ, you who would
   be justified by the law; you have fallen from
  grace."
- Rev. 3:5 "He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will NOT blot out his name from the book of life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels."
- Q. Can one's name be blotted out from Book of Life?

- Just as it was extremely important to know HOW to
- get one's name recorded in the Book of Life;
- It is equally important to know HOW to maintain one's name in the Book of Life.

Rm. 12:1-2 "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

And be not conformed to this world; but be you transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

2 Tim. 2:15 "Study to show yourself approved a workman
 that needs not be ashamed but rightly
 dividing the word of truth."

Jas. 1:27 "Pure religion and undefiled before God
the Father is this; *To visit* the fatherless
and widows in their affliction, and *to keep*oneself unspotted from the world."

2 Pet. 1:5-10 "And besides this, giving all diligence,
add to your faith virtue, and to virtue
knowledge; and to knowledge temperance;
and to temperance patience; and to patience
godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love.

For if these things be in you and *abound*, they make you that you shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus

Christ. But he that *lack* these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

Wherefore the rather brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if you do these things, you will never fall.

Q. How do we ensure our name is NOT blotted out?

James: Look into that perfect law and

BE a doer of the Word and not a hearer only

So, has your name been recorded in the Book of Life?

Jesus said he that believeth and is baptized shall
be saved. Have you obeyed the gospel?

# Is your name still in the Book of Life?

Heb. 10: 37-39 "For yet a little while, and He that shall come WILL COME, and will not tarry.

Now the just shall live by faith; but if any draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of their souls."

- Pet. 1:22 "Seeing you have purified your souls in *obeying the truth* through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart
- Gal. 6:10 "As we have therefore opportunity, let us
   do good unto all men, especially unto them
   of the household of faith."

fervently:"

## THE END IS COMING

Are you ready to arrive at verse 12 of Revelation 20?