

Our Performance Appraisals



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Greece

- 1. Philippi
 - ◆ Lydia
 - ◆ Jail
 - ◆ In General
 - ◆ Via Egnatia
- 2. Thessalonica
- 3. Berea
- 4. Athens
- 5. Corinth



Every Geographical Location in Acts/Epistles





Corinth

- Isthmus
- Temple of Apollo
- Body parts
- Aphrodite
- **Bema**
- Erastus
- Phoebe
- Mirror



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ΔΟΞΗΣ ΚΑΤΕΡΓΑΖΕΤΑΙ ΗΜΙΝ
• FOR THIS SLIGHT MOMENTARY
AFFLICTION IS PREPARING FOR US
AN ETERNAL WEIGHT OF GLORY
BEYOND ALL COMPARISON •
2 CORINTHIANS 4:17

Six Questions

- When?
- Where?
- Who?
- Why?
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When?

- After the Rapture

- Rewards are associated with the day of the Lord's coming for the church (1 Cor. 4:5; 2 Tim. 4:8)

- Bride is already rewarded (Rev. 19:8)



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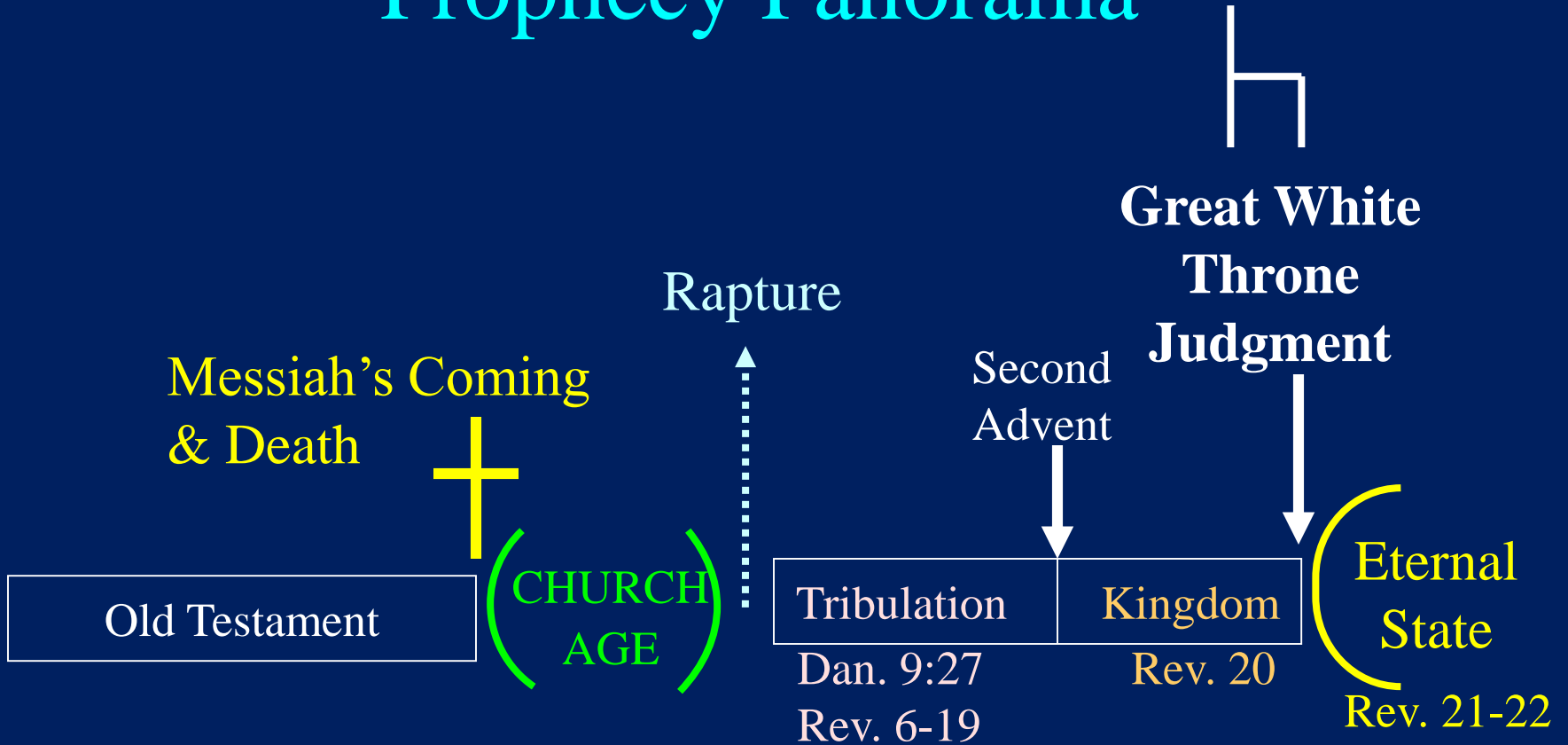
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Where?

- In heaven
- 1 Thess 4:17



Prophecy Panorama



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Who?

- Church Age believers

- 2 Cor 5:10



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Why?

- Not to judge sin (John 19:30)

- Not to determine salvation (John 5:24)

- But rather to give or not give rewards



“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.”

John 5:24 (NASB)

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Scripture's Four Judgments

Name	Sheep and Goat	Judgment of the Jews	<u>Bema Seat</u>	Great White Throne
Scripture	Matt 25:31-46	Ezek 20:33-44	<u>1 Cor 3:10-15</u>	Rev 20:11-15
Place	Earth, Jerusalem	Earth, wilderness	<u>Heaven</u>	Earth
Audience	Gentile Tribulation survivors	Jewish Tribulation survivors	<u>Church Age believers</u>	All unsaved
When	After Tribulation	After Tribulation	<u>After rapture</u>	After Millennium
Purpose	Saved Gentiles enter kingdom	Saved Jews enter kingdom	<u>Reward believers</u>	Degree of punishment in hell
Evaluation	Treatment of Christ's brethren	Passing under shepherd's rod	<u>Works taken through fire</u>	Not in the book; judged by books

Scripture's Five Crowns

(Rev 4:10: 3:11; 2 John 8; 1 Cor. 3:15)

<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
1 Cor 9:24-27	Incorruptible crown	Gaining mastery over the old man
1 Thess 2:19-20	Crown of rejoicing	Soul winning
Jas 1:12; Rev 2:10	Crown of life	Enduring trials
1 Pet 5:2-4	Crown of glory	Shepherding God's people
2 Tim 4:8	Crown of righteousness	Longing for His appearing

J. Dwight Pentecost, *Things to Come: A Study in Biblical Eschatology* (Findlay, OH: Dunham, 1958; reprint, Grand Rapids, Zondervan, 1964), 225.

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What?

- Athletic contest (1 Cor 9:24-27)
- Steward (1 Cor 4:2)
- Building (1 Cor 3:10-15)



“The judgment seat of Christ might be compared to a commencement ceremony. At graduation there is some measure of disappointment and remorse that one did not do better and work harder. However, at such an event the overwhelming emotion is joy, not remorse. The graduates do not leave the auditorium weeping because they did not earn better grades. Rather, they are thankful that they have been graduated, and they are grateful for what they did achieve. To overdo the sorrow aspect of the judgment seat of Christ is to make heaven hell. To under do the sorrow aspect is to make faithfulness inconsequential” (underlining mine).

Samuel Hoyt, “The Judgment Seat of Christ in Theological Perspective,” Part 2, *Bibliotheca Sacra*, electronic media.

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How?

- Individually (Rom 14:12)
- Stewardship over time, talent, treasure (1 Cor 4:2)
- Motivation (1 Cor 4:5)
- Reliance upon divine grace or human enablement (John 15:1-8)



Conclusion

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