

# Some Judgment Day Surprises

(Matthew 7:21-23)

- Introduction:
1. We are not judged as we die, as many incorrectly assume, but God as appointed a day in which we will all be judged (Heb. 9:27; Acts 17:30-31; Mt. 25:30-46).
  2. All who have ever lived will be at this judgment (2 Corinthians 5:10).
  3. Having given it some thought, I have come to the conclusion that there are going to be some surprises on this day.
  4. Let's note some of these surprises.

## I. The Reality Of This Day Will Be A Surprise

- A. The atheists denies the existence of such a day (Romans 1:28).
- B. Many others, who may not be so bold, live in hopes that this day does not exist.
- C. Can you begin to imagine what the feelings will be of those people who did not believe or hoped this event would not occur, when they realize God told the truth?

## II. The Time Of The Judgment Will Be A Surprise

- A. No man knows the time of the judgment (Matthew 24:36; Matthew 25:13).
- B. Many will be unprepared (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; 2 Timothy 4:1).

## III. The Standard Of Judgment Will Be A Surprise

- A. We will not be judged by:
  1. Our parents religion.
  2. Sincerity.
  3. Creed of some church.
  4. By our feelings.
- B. We will be judged by the Word of God (John 12:48; Revelation 20:12).

## IV. That We Must Account For Our Deeds Will Be A Surprise

- A. What we do (Matthew 25:30-46; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Ecclesiastes 12:13).
- B. What we say (Matthew 12:36-37).

## V. The Final Result Of The Judgment Will Be A Surprise

- A. The faithful will be saved (Matthew 7:13-14).
- B. The disobedient will be lost (2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; Romans 6:23).

- Conclusion:
1. God doesn't want any to perish (2 Peter 3:9).
  2. Therefore, he told us of the coming day of judgment.
  3. Don't let it take you by surprise.
  4. Prepare for it today (Matthew 24:42).