

DAY IN COURT
REV 20:11-15 / 4-17-19 / WED

I. FIRST, NOTICE THE JUDGE OF THIS COURT.

A. The description of this judge-v.11a.

Revelation 20:11a

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it...

1. He is powerful (“great”).
2. He is pure (“white”).

B. The identity of this judge.

1. His name is Jesus-John 5:22; Acts 10:42; 2 Timothy 4:1.
2. His nature is awesome-v. 11b & Daniel 7:9-10.

Revelation 20:11

.....The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them.

II. SECOND, NOTICE THE JUSTICE OF THIS COURT.

A. Who are these defendants?-v.12a.

Revelation 20:12

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne...

1. They are “physically” dead--20:5 & 20:9
2. Even worse, they are “spiritually” dead-Ephesians 2:1.
3. No one will escape justice-v.13a.

Revelation 20:13a

The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them.....

B. What books will judge these sinners? v.12b. (“**and books were opened**”).

1. Surely the Bible-John 12:48.
2. Some kind of book of deeds-v.13b.

Revelation 20:13

.....and each person was judged according to what they had done.

3. Christians' names are found in another book-20:12c & Rev. 3:5, 17:8b; Luke 10:20.

Revelation 20:12c

.....Another book was opened, which is the book of life.....

III. THIRD, NOTICE THE JUDGMENT FROM THIS COURT.

A. It will be a fearful judgment.

1. "Physical" death is one sentence-v.14a.

Revelation 20:14a

Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire.....

2. "Spiritual" death is also the sentence-v.14b & Romans 6:23.

Revelation 20:14b

.....The Lake of fire is the second death.

B. It will be a final judgment-v.15.

C. It will be a foolish judgment in that it could have been avoided-Romans 10:13.