

“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 20:12 KJV

The wicked are often referred to in Scripture as “children of wrath.” We are all born into this condemnation, because of Adam’s disobedience. “And you hath [Christ] Quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be Saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the Name of the Only Begotten Son of God.”



To be a true believer you must acknowledge, admit, and abdicate your sin through faith in the Word of God or else remain forever under the condemnation into which you were born. You see, it is not our works that gain us Heaven and Eternal Life, because even our best is “filthy rags” by comparison to the Holiness of God. No, we must receive the Proffered Gift of Faith Delivered by God’s Word by believing and trusting it. Like the tree bending in the wind, our cheerful obedience is the evidence of our faith in the Invisible God! “The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand (prevail) in the Judgment, nor sinners in the Congregation of the Righteous. For the LORD Knoweth the way of the Righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. The Lord Knoweth them that are His.” The ungodly are dead in sin, because inherited sin nature separates them from God Who is Eternal Life; there are no exceptions! Great and small, giant and child, and mother and father who reject the Word of God, reject their own Salvation from the eternal Lake of Fire! No one goes to Hell, because God rejected them; they go to Hell, because they rejected God! The Great White Throne Judgment will be a detailed irrefutable accounting of that rejection and Sentence Will Be Declared; “Depart from Me, ye cursed, into Everlasting Fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: I never Knew you!” The question isn’t, “Do you know God?” but “Does God Know you?”

Do your deeds declare your Father God;
As you live your lives upon the sod?
Or do you blindly forward stumble;
Into the Lake of Fire’s dark rumble? –CGP

You may have the power to “Do it My Way” while on earth, but you absolutely cannot survive eternity without God! And, by the way, the Second Death is not the end of existence. It is the beginning of eternal existence WITHOUT GOD! Hell is everything Heaven is not.

“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.” Revelation 20:14-15 KJV