

better things concerning you

Heb. 6:9
... we are
convinced

Judge, Judgment

- 1. Reach a Decision/Verdict
 - 2. Administer Punishment

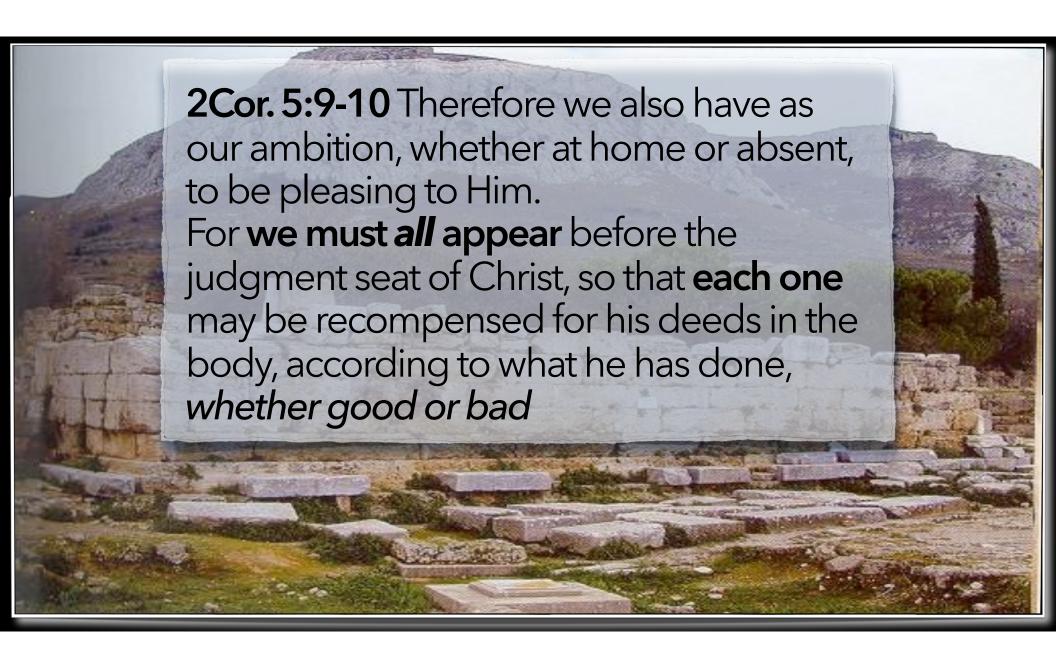




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 - 3. Distribute Rewards





We will ALL be Judged ...

fairly
thoroughly
impartially
individually
graciously

TOTAL EXPOSURE

Heb. 4:12-13 For the Word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

... And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

GOOD ...

ἀγαθός or BAD

agathos

Upright, Honorable, Useful
"Rubies"

φαύλος
foulos
Wicked, Mean, Useless
"Rubble"

BEMA SEAT

1 Corinthians 3:10-15

REWARD: the payment Christ gives for good deeds and fruitful work

LOSS: punishment, loss, suffer damage ... to lose what "could have been" to lose what you have **Phil 3:8**

"Moses was excluded from the land because of his disobedience (unbelief). He will be in Heaven, but he forfeited his earthly inheritance. In the OT it was possible to be regenerate, belong to God, and still miss out on the extra blessings of inheritance. Salvation was a gift through faith, but the added blessing was dependent on obedience.

"Today we are not concerned about entering the land of Canaan, but the same principle applies. Just as some did not enter into the land and yet made it to Heaven, even so some (of us) will be in Heaven but without experiencing the fulness of reward. Rewards are always dependent on faithfulness."

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The Master is Going Away

Matt 25:14-30

Parable: NOT Theology – But An Illustration

The Illustration

- 1 Each man is given something different
- 2 The master evaluates each man's results
- 3 Faithful Men: new responsibility and "enter into joy"
- 4 Unfaithful Man: has a potential loss (no profit)

 plus loss of what he was originally given

 plus he does not "enter into the joy of the Master"

The Point: Disciples are NOT treated as equals Matt 25:29

Warren Wiersbe: "The man was dealt with by the Lord, he lost his opportunity for service, and he gained no praise or reward. To me that is outer darkness."

"Christ used this story to alert HIs disciples to the danger of squandered opportunities. There is a warning for all of us when are tempted to hide our talent in the dirt, either because of fear or self-centeredness. And when we stand before Christ in a state of purity with our glorified bodies, the sins we committed on earth will look more hideous than we could have ever thought them to be. Grief, deep grief, is understandable."

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