

The 8th Day Feast
(Man's Final Opportunity for Salvation)

2019

God's Plan of Salvation Contains

The Two
Resurrections

That Most Christians Know
Nothing About

*We have just completed celebrating the
Feast of Tabernacles....
this Feast ended yesterday, and it was celebrated for seven
days.*

*Today, we celebrate a different Feast....it's the seventh and
final Feast of God's calendar year.*

It is called the 8th Day Feast.

Feasts of the Lord

(Divine Appointments & Rehearsals)

- Lev 23:1-2 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 2 “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim (we proclaim them by observing them, not just by being aware of them) to be holy convocations, these are My feasts.’”
- Feast = mo’ed (mo-edim = feasts): “set time or fixed time” or “an appointment or appointed time”. (These days should be the very first appointments you enter into your 2020 appointment calendar.)
- Convocation = mikrah: means “rehearsal” like a dress rehearsal.

8th Day Feast is a Separate Festival

- *Lev 23:33-36 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 34 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days to the LORD (How long does the Feast of Tabernacles last?...for seven days). 35 On the first day there shall be a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work on it. 36 For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. On the eighth day you shall have a holy convocation, and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. It is a sacred assembly, and you shall do no customary work on it.*

Remember that God's Holy Days provide us with a progressive step-by-step outline of God's Plan of Salvation for man.

There are seven Festivals and so there are seven phases to God's Plan....all in progressive steps.

Spring Festivals & Fall Festivals Dress Rehearsals & Appointed Times

- *Spring Holy Days (First Coming – Suffering Servant)*
 - *Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread*
 - *Pentecost*
- *Fall Holy Days (Second Coming – Conquering King)*
 - *Trumpets (rehearsal at its appointed time)*
 - *Day of Atonement (rehearsal at its appointed time)*
 - *Feast of Tabernacles (a 7 day rehearsal at its appointed time)*
 - *Last Great Day (rehearsal at its appointed time)*

Spring Festivals & Fall Festivals

Dress Rehearsals of God's Plan at Their Appointed Times

- *Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread* (rehearsing the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ)
- *Pentecost* (rehearsing the birth of the Church and receiving of the Holy Spirit so that we can have the power to do His Work)

Spring Festivals & Fall Festivals

Dress Rehearsals of God's Plan at Their Appointed Times

- *Trumpets* (rehearsing the return of Jesus Christ and the *First Resurrection*. . . resurrection of the saints. . . I Thes 4/13-17; 1 Cor 15/50-52)
- *Day of Atonement* (rehearsing the putting away of Satan and being At-One with Jesus)
- *Feast of Tabernacles* (rehearsing the establishment of the KOG and the 1000 year reign. . . God's Plan of Salvation is coming to an end but it's not yet complete)
- *Last Great Day* (what are we rehearsing?)

*Scripture tells us that there are
Two Resurrections.*

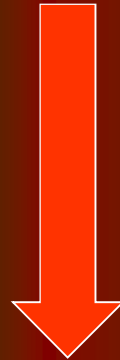
*These two resurrections are divided by the 1000 year
millennial rule on earth of the Kingdom of God.*

*Let's learn about these two resurrections and how they fit
into God's Plan of Salvation.*

First Resurrection



1000 Year Millennial Rule



Second Resurrection

*Let's provide Scriptural support for these two
resurrections and show how they fit into God's overall
plan of salvation.*

Man Will Experience

Two Separate and Distinct Resurrections

- *John 5:25-29 Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming (this is a future event), and now is (Christ is promising this so it is assured that it will happen....it's as good as done), when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. 26 For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, 27 and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.*
- *Two points: the dead will rise again (will be resurrected) and they are to be judged by Christ.*

Man Will Experience

Two Separate and Distinct Resurrections

- 28 Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming (it's all future) in which all ("all" means everybody who has ever died) who are in the graves will hear His voice 29 and come forth — those who have done good, to the 1) resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the 2) resurrection of condemnation (the correct translation is not "condemnation" but "judgment"... NASB, NLT, ESV, HCSB).
- Other translations correctly use the word "judgment" instead of "condemnation". Let's see some examples.

John 5:28-29

Other Translations

- John 5:28-29 *NASB* "Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, 29 and will come forth; those who did the good deeds to a 1) resurrection of life, those who committed the evil deeds to a 2) resurrection of judgment.
- John 5:28-29 *ESV* Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice 29 and come out, those who have done good to the 1) resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the 2) resurrection of judgment.

John 5:28-29

Other Translations

- John 5:28-29 NLT Don't be so surprised! Indeed, the time is coming when all the dead in their graves will hear the voice of God's Son, 29 and they will rise again. Those who have done good will rise to 1) experience eternal life, and those who have continued in evil will rise to 2) experience judgment.
- Two groups of people will be resurrected:
 - Resurrection to eternal life
 - Resurrection to experience judgment

Other Biblical Facts Related to These Resurrections

- *Judgment not same thing as “sentencing” – Judges judge a boxing match during the fight and at the end of the fight they make their decision. . . . they make their judgment as to who won.*
- *Two groups of people will be resurrected:*
 - *Resurrection to eternal life (The 1st Resurrection at the second coming of Jesus Christ right before the 1000 Year Millennial reign begins. 1 Cor 15/20-24 & 1 Thess 4/13-18; 1 Peter 4:17. . . we are being judged now.)*
 - *Resurrection to experience judgment (Rev 20:5 But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished).*

The Two Resurrections Separated by 1000 Years

- Rev 20:1-3 *Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; 3 and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.*

The Two Resurrections Separated by 1000 Years

- Rev 20:4-6 *And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.*

The Two Resurrections Separated by 1000 Years

- *5 But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.*

*What about these
“the rest of the dead”
after the 1000 years?*

Ezek 37/1-14

*gives us a glimpse of a future resurrection....a
second resurrection from the dead back to physical
life!!!*

Second Resurrection Back to Physical Life

- *Ezekiel 37/1-14 Valley of Dry Bones....Ezekiel is in vision.*
- *Nation of Israel serves as a model for people of all nations to be resurrected back to physical life and go through a period of judgment (evaluation) to be given the opportunity for Salvation.*

Great White Throne Judgment

- Rev 20:11-15 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened (Books of the Bible). And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.
- These people are judged according to the Books of the Bible and the Book of Life is opened to enter in it those who qualify for salvation.

Great White Throne Judgment

- 13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

What Is the Fate of Those Who Refuse to Repent?

- *Rev 20:15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.*
- *Rev 21:7-8 He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. 8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."*
- *The fate is DEATH, not eternal life in a forever burning hell.*

Other Biblical Facts Related to These Resurrections

- *You don't immediately* go to "heaven" or "hell fire" when you die.
 - *In 3:13* Jesus told Nicodemus that "No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven...."
 - *Ezek 18:4* Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father As well as the soul of the son is Mine; The soul who sins shall die. (No immortal soul)

Things to Consider About the Prevailing Belief of an Ever Burning Hell Fire

- 1. In hell, one is tormented by fire, not for a few hours until one is totally consumed and dies, not just for a few days, not for even a few years, but forever...and ever...and ever.*
- 2. What about the billions of people (men, women, children, infants) who have died, including many who have not even heard the name of Jesus Christ. The prevailing Christian belief is that they are presently being tortured in hell fire and will forever burn there.*
- 3. You have your list of loved ones who have or will die without accepting Jesus Christ as their Savior (Moms, Dads, uncles, aunts,)*

*How Long is Forever
Burning in Hell Fire?*

Story of a Small Bird

“High in the North in a land called No Man’s Land there is a mountain. It is a hundred miles long and a hundred miles high and once every thousand years a little bird comes to this mountain to sharpen its beak. When the mountain has thus been completely worn away, a single day of eternity will have passed.”

What About the Rest of the Dead Who Never Received Christ?

- *Approximately 110 Billion people have been born since the creation of man.*
- *7 Billion are alive now.*
- *103 Billion have died since the beginning of time.*
- *Only a few have or will receive Christ during this time.*
- *Approximately 100 Billion people have died without having received Jesus. Majority of them have not even heard of the name Jesus Christ.... 151,600 people die daily.*
- *Are they (men, women, children, and infants in hell fire being tormented for eternity?*

Jesus Desires All Men to Be Saved

- 1 Tim 2:3-5 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

Saved Only through Jesus Christ

- *Acts 4:12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*
- *Mark 16:15-17 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."*

Lazarus Resurrected Back to Physical Life

- *My Father always comes to mind when I celebrate and rehearse the meaning of this Last Great Day.*
- *John 11/32-44 “Lazarus, come forth.....”*
- *Dad, come forth!!!*
- *Call out the name of your loved one.*
 - *Everyone here has some relative who has died without being saved: father, mother, son, daughter, grandfather, grandmother, granddaughter, aunt, uncle, close friend.....this day pictures the day we will see them again and teach them God's Way.*

*Summary of the Meaning of This
8th Day Feast*

This Day reveals that all people who have ever lived and died without hearing of Christ or learning God's way of life will be resurrected and given the opportunity to receive eternal life.

By the completion of God's Plan of Salvation most people will accept Jesus the Messiah as their Savior and they will also inherit eternal life.

Not all BUT most will.