February 7, 2016 **DEATH...THEN WHAT?**

HEBREWS 9:27-28

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1. EVERYONE HAS AN APPOINTMENT WITH DEATH.

Hebrews 9:27 (KJV) It is appointed unto men once to die...

Ecclesiastes 2:16 (GN) We must all die, wise and foolish alike.

Ecclesiastes 9:2-3 (TEV) It makes no difference. The same fate comes to the righteous and the wicked, to the good and the bad, to those who are religious and those who are not...they die.

2. AFTER DEATH COMES <u>JUDGMENT</u>.

Hebrews 9:27 (KJV) ...but after this the judgment.

- Death is not the end.
- There is no <u>second chance</u>.

2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Revelation 20:11-15 Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

YOU HAVE TWO OPTIONS WHEN IT COMES TO THE JUDGMENT:

Stand before God on your own merits.

Romans 3:10-12, 23 There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God. All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

• Stand before God on the merits of Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 9:28 (NLT) So also Christ died once for all time as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again, not to deal with our sins, but to bring salvation to all who are eagerly waiting for him.