

## **Time of Reward: Jesus**

**Mark 10:28-30** Eternal life in WORLD to COME.

**Luke 14:12-14** Reward at resurrection of the just.

**John 6:39,40,44,54** Eternal life at LAST DAY.

**Matt 11:22,24** Judgment day is future.

**Matt 12:36** Not at death.

**Matt 13:24-30, 36-43, 47-50** Separation and rewards at END of the WORLD.

**Matt 16:27** Rewards at coming of Jesus.

**Matt 25:31-34** Inherit kingdom at second coming.

## **Ambiguous texts clarified**

**Ex 3:2-6** God is God of Abraham who had long been dead.

**Luke 20:27-38** A resurrection is necessary to give Abraham life or God would be God of DEAD, for he is dead now.

**John 8:51-53** Since Abraham is dead, what did Jesus mean when He said the obedient would never see death? (Answer: "second death", "Permanent death")

**John 11:3,4,11-14** First death often called a sleep.

**John 11:20-26** Believers, who have been dead, (vs 25) and then live again, after the resurrection will never die the second death.

**John 10:27,28** They will never PERISH.

**Ps 37 :20** The wicked PERISH, are destroyed.

**Luke 20:36** Saints will not die ANYMORE.

**Luke 23:42,43** "Verily I say unto thee today, shalt thou be with me in Paradise". The translators inserted the punctuation. The comma should be AFTER today. *How do we know?* Jesus will not contradict Himself This must harmonize with the rest of his teaching on this subject. He says clearly that rewards come at the END of the WORLD, at the LAST DAY, at His SECOND COMING.

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There are only two possible ways to harmonize this text with the rest of the teachings of Jesus.

1. He will make an exception of the thief and take him ahead of time as He did Elijah. OR
2. He PROMISED that day and the comma is misplaced.

#### *WHICH SHALL IT BE?*

1. **Rev 2:7; 22:1,2** Paradise is the Holy City, the place of God's throne.

**John 20: 17** The third day after, Jesus said He had not seen His Father. He did not go to Paradise that day.

**John 19:31-33** Apparently the thief did not even die that day. So the thief did not go that day.

2. Then Jesus must have PROMISED that day that He would be in His kingdom and the comma is misplaced.

**Acts 19:12** Example: A comma is needed after "sick".

**Deut 30:18; 1 Sam 15:28** Examples of such promises. God hath rent kingdom THIS DAY. Fulfilled years later. Jesus said, "Verily I say unto thee today, Thou shalt be with me in Paradise". Scriptures harmonize.

**Luke 16:19-31** Parable of Rich Man and Lazarus. Jesus is not contradicting all of His very plain teaching on this subject. He is teaching the folly of covetousness. Money won't transfer us from hell to heaven. If we will not believe the word of God, we would not believe though one ROSE from the DEAD. (Would have to rise from the dead so are dead now.) These men are in their reward BODILY. This does not take place at death. Lazarus was carried by the angels to heaven.

(**Matt 24:31** Angels carry bodily beings at second coming. Spirits would not have to be carried at death or any other time.)

If this parable were a reality, the saved and lost could see one another eternally and the saved would hear the cries of loved ones in the fire. No, Jesus wants us to use our money, and opportunities NOW.

**Rev 22:12,16,20** Jesus gives rewards at His coming .

**John 14:1-3** Coming for us. Let's be ready!