

The Three Eternal Destinies #4 *Three Categories of Man 1*

Asher: I'm thankful that God is making us totally accountable and responsible so we can be like Him. He wants to build our character. It excites me and gives me a sense of honor that our God has chosen us and we're being disciplined and raised up to share the same responsibility that He has, to have the same power He has. To actually possess the same power. Yahshua was full of God's power. He said, "I could call down a legion of angels." He could raise dead people with it. But He was totally responsible with it. He wasn't on a power trip. He was totally under His Father's authority. He didn't do anything without His Father telling Him what to do. That's what we're going to possess. I really believe that us little humans are going to possess that. Our life this week as a disciple is that we're learning to be a holy, dedicated people. We don't move unless our Father says move. We don't move unless our brother says move. We're under authority. We're learning it just like our children are learning it, just like our children learn it through their childhood from their parents. Then they come of age and they can submit to our God's authority because they've been trained — and so are we. In the midst of this little community, we're going to one day do something awesome.

This week it spoke to me in Rev 22 that the filthy will remain filthy, the unjust will remain unjust, the righteous will still practice righteousness, and the holy, let them continue to keep themselves holy. That spoke to me because it talks about a time coming, the time being near. However we are now is how it's going to be when we go into the next age. That's what I was saying about being accountable, that our God is bringing us into total reality so that how we are now is how it's going to be. You can get this idea that things are going to be different in the future. But how it is now, that's how it's going to be. The one who is filthy now, that's how he's going to be then. The one who is righteous now will be righteous then. What spoke to me is, "Keep yourself holy." We have to keep ourselves holy. It's an active thing that we do. Then in the next age we'll be His holy people. We have that honor, that's been given to us to keep ourselves holy.

Gal 5:16-21 — If there's any of that in us now, we won't enter the kingdom. So we have to keep ourselves holy. That's why it's an honor and dignity for us, because it's up to us. That's what makes us like Yahshua because He had a will and He freely chose to surrender to our Father and to do His will. We've been given that same life. That's why we're thankful to live in a capitalistic society because we have the freedom to share our goods. We also have the freedom to hoard it to ourselves. We have that God-given freedom. In our community we have that God-given freedom. We're liberated to lay down our lives or to hang onto our lives; to be misers and miserable or to obey our Master and lay down our life and have joy and be filled with the Spirit. I'm thankful that that's what our God's given to us as humans and that's been restored to us, our inalienable right to be a son of God, to be like Yahshua, to have fellowship with Him and walk as He walked. He freely laid down His life and our Father honored Him.

One Category — Two Classifications and Three Prepared Places

We see in Rev 22:11 the Three Eternal Destinies of Man.

The first category is the Unjust *and* the Filthy. These are *two classifications* of people who are equally deserving of the second death. Then you see the Righteous. The Righteous are neither Unjust nor Filthy. They have eternal life in the nations (Mt 25:34; Rev 21:3,24; 22:2) in the eighth day. This is not talking about the seventh day but the eighth day when they'll still be righteous. You have the *Unjust* & like unjust businessmen with unjust business practices. That's *one* of the classifications of men in the first category, unjust business practices and unjust people — white collar crooks. Then you have the sexually immoral, the *Filthy*. That's the *second* classification, but still in that same category. *There's one category, but with two classifications of men worthy of the second death.* It talks about that in Rom 1:24 — unclean, filthy people who wallow in sexual immorality and filth. That's what made them filthy. That's one category. Those people go into the second death forever and ever and they're still filthy and they're still unjust. It's unalterable.

Then, you have the category of the righteous, which are neither unjust nor filthy. They go into the eternal nations which are prepared for them (Mt 25:34).

Then there's the *Holy*. The Holy are those who are the very dwelling place of God. They are Holy still, of course. They are the twelve-tribed Body of Messiah that goes on into eternity, ruling with Him over all the works of His hands, over the righteous of the nations. So we see that our Father has **PRE-PARED** a place for the righteous (Mt 25:34). That's the eternal nations, the eternal kingdom. He has prepared a place for the holy. That's the Holy City. He has prepared a city for us (Heb 11:16). And then the unjust and filthy, he has prepared the lake of fire for them (Mt 25:41). That's where Satan and his angels are going to go. So it would be good if a person is a businessman that he would be as honest and just as possible according to his conscience (since a person's conscience operates on the highest level it *knows*, according to the man's *character*). If he's not, if he's unjust and dishonest, hurting, cheating, depriving others, he's going to go to the second death. A place is prepared for him. If he's sexually immoral, it's the same thing. So you can see those three categories. The righteous inherit the nations. They are neither unjust nor filthy. They never **became** filthy or unjust. They never became **degraded**. The righteous lived by their conscience. They were like sheep (Mt 25:32-34).

The Righteous Maintain the Second Covenant

It's really wonderful that we know and understand these things for the sake of sharing the gospel, the good news: Don't be caught outside of God's people. Many people are going to be caught outside of God's people, out of His commonwealth (Eph 2:12), the people who are holy. Don't think, "I'm righteous enough to enter the nations." By saying that you indicate you're *not* righteous. You're unjust because all the "good" things you're doing are for yourself. It's for selfishness, selfish motives and greed. You have to step on other people to get your way.

We are holy people. We are His dwelling place now. But we have to *keep* ourselves in that place (Jude 1:21; Rom 11:22). If we keep ourselves holy now we'll be rewarded with the next age, not the eternal age. The eternal age is not a reward. The next age is our reward for our overcoming. The eternal age is something He did for us. We merit nothing. We received faith. It's the work that He accomplished for us. We're holy because He made us holy. We didn't make ourselves holy.

The nations keep themselves righteous. They didn't fall into that filthiness or unjustness. All men were born with a righteous inclination. Some never *became* filthy or unjust. There are the righteous of the nations who maintained their righteousness and the unrighteous of the nations who *became* unrighteous. There are two classifications of the unrighteous. They are either *filthy* or *unjust*.

The *righteous* maintained a valid conscience and stayed within the second covenant. They stayed within the boundaries of their conscience and never strayed from their righteous inclination to the point of becoming unjust or filthy. This inclination comes from being made in God's image, even though Rom 3:23. No man was *born depraved*.

Rev 21:7 — ~~The~~ *Holy* overcame Satan who tried to hold them in the world, and received salvation in Yahshua. The righteous of the nations never committed the sins in verse 8. They will be rewarded with the eternal kingdom of the nations. But the righteous can become the holy if they *receive* the gospel.