

### **The Three Eternal Destinies #37 What Degree Has Man Fallen, Part 3 (Set for Eternity)**

The Holy people live *collectively together* as Acts 2:44-45 and 4:32. They are *set apart*, Holy as in 1 Pet 2:9-10, a light to the nations (Isa 49:6; Mal 1:11). *Holy* in Rev 22:11 is distinct from the *Righteous*, and of course the *Filthy* and the *Unjust* of the world. All three categories go on for eternity being the way they are set in their life to be.

Like the angels, of whom one third fell and are *set for eternity* and the other two thirds are set who did *not* all when tested, the Righteous are set. They cannot become unrighteous after they are judged Righteous and worthy of the nations. They are set for eternity in their righteousness that they maintained while living this short life before they died (Heb 9:27).

In the same way, the Filthy and the Unjust are set in their ways (Rom 1:20,24,26,28; 2:8). They can't change after they die and go into the place for departed spirits. The Righteous could pay for their sins, for all have sinned, so all must die to pay for their sins (Rom 6:23). So in death they could pay for their sins which were qualitatively different than the Filthy and the Unjust. The sins they sinned were kinds of sins that caused others to be filthy and unjust, as well as Rev 21:8 and 22:15; Rom 1:24,26,28-32. These sins damaged and hurt others (Mt 18:6-7). Our Master told us how terrible it would be for those who cause stumbling for others in the world. Because of their sins they cause many to fall, making them worthy of the Second Death as well. Woe to the one who causes others to be like them also — ensnared in Satan's trap and in his fate (Rev 20:10, 19:20, 14:10-11; Mt 25:41,46). They are judged worthy of Satan's fate (Mt 18:6-9; 5:29-30).

So according to Rev 22:11, there is *no repentance* for these kind of sins in Rev 21:8 and 22:15 after one dies (Heb 9:27). There is nothing left for them except the terrifying judgment that will be for all those who come to the place where what they do hurts other people and causes them to hurt and suffer and do without. They became slaves to their greed, hatred, selfishness, and self-satisfied luxury. They have their reward, their comfort, in full now. There is no remedy for them throughout eternity (Rev 14:10-11; 19:2-3; 2 Cor 11:15). They can't return to this life. It's over with. There is no hope night or day as it says in Rev 14:11.

But the Righteous or Just ones of this world will be rewarded a second life instead of a second death. Both are *for ever and ever*. The word *still* means go on doing it, set, remain. There is no remedy and no hope of recovery. Rev 20:15 — They are "cast" into the Lake of Fire which is the Second Death (Cast — #906). They are cast out like *dung* because God could find no *eternal worth* in them — not even a little bit. As Pr 12:10 says, for people who keep their animals cooped up against their nature, even "the tender mercies" of the Unrighteous/Unjust or Filthy are cruel, not only to animals but to human beings as well. Their tender mercies are always perverted. There can be added many illustrations to certain booklets concerning this.

Pr 14:31-32; Rom 2:15; Heb 9:27 — They have hope even in death since their conscience has been regarded by them as their friend all their life (Pr 14:34). They elect righteous men in office or at least try to — if there is a choice. Acts 10:35 sums up the goodness of our Father, Acts 10:34 and Rom 2:6,11. Back in Paul's day there were people known as God-fearers, much like Thomas Jefferson or other men who were called *Deists*. Rom 2:7 — Acceptable to Him, not to be *the holy*, which is a free gift to one who hears the gospel through a sent one who is without deceit or falsehood (Jn 7:18). They are acceptable to God only on the basis of faith (Rom 10:17; Eph 2:8-10) to do good works only the Holy Ones can do.