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3 MORE SPIRITUAL REALITY CHECKS:

1) The .	of Jesus is	(v11)
	"great": "white": "throne":	
	cf., John 5:22, 26-27; Acts 10:42; Acts 17:31	
	cf., 2 Peter 3:7, 10-13	

2) The	of Jesus is(v12-14)
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	JUDGEMENT SEAT OF CHRIST	GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGEMENT
WHO	Believers with imputed righteousness of Christ are judged	Unbelievers are judged based on their own righteousness
WHERE	1 Corinthians 3:13-15 2 Corinthians 5:10	Revelation 20:11-15
WHY	Judgement is based on good works and why the good works were done	Judgement is based on rejection of Christ and rebellion against him
WHAT	Results in rewards or loss of rewards but never in a loss of salvation	Eternal, conscious torment in hell (the "lake of fire")

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DISCUSSION:

1. What are your initial feelings or thoughts to the reality that you will be judged one day?

The Holiness of Jesus is Matchless

- 2. Read Revelation 20:11, Psalm 102:25-28, Psalm 103:15-19, Hebrews 13:8, 2 Peter 3:7-13. What do you learn about God, his throne, and his creation?
- 3. Jesus is coming again, one day the world as we know it will be gone, and Jesus is matchless in holiness, which should lead you to a life of holiness and godliness. When you look at your life, what would you say you are truly living for the things of the world or the things of God? Explain.

The Judgement of Jesus is Flawless

- 4. Read Revelation 20:12-14, Romans 14:10-12, 2 Corinthians 5:10, 1 Corinthians 3:13-15. What do you learn about judgement of unbelievers and believers in these passages?
- 5. If Jesus was to judge you today, what regrets would you have with how you have used your time, treasures, and talents? What can you do now to ensure that you will not have these same regrets on that day?

The Grace of Jesus is Boundless

- 6. Read Revelation 20:15, Luke 10:20, Revelation 3:5 and Revelation 21:27. What do you learn about the book of life?
- 7. Is your name written in the book of life? How do you know? What bible verses can you find to confirm this? Can your name be erased from the book of life? Do you ever struggle with a lack of assurance that you are saved? Explain.
- 8. One day Satan will be defeated for good, and God and his people will be victorious forever. Take time to pray, praise, and worship God for this truth.

(*See PRAYER POINTS on page 2.)

PRAYER POINTS (based on Revelation 20:11-15):

THE PRAISEWORTHY QUALITIES OF GOD THE FATHER AND GOD THE SON:

- Jesus alone sits on the great white throne of judgement (v11)
- Jesus is so holy that the earth and sky flee from his presence (v11)
- Jesus will judge flawlessly based on his perfect knowledge of all things (v12)
- Jesus is fair, judging "according to what they had done" (v12, 13)
- Jesus will fully defeat Death, Hades, and all who oppose him once and for all (v14-15)
- Jesus is boundless in grace because he has written our names in his book of life (v15)

REVERENCE:

- Lord, we worship you because . . .
- Lord, I praise you because I see your holiness in . . .
- Lord, you are worthy because you are matchless in every way, and I see that especially in . . .

RESPONSE:

- Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner . . .
- Lord Jesus, I want to be ready for your return, but I confess that I need your help to walk in holiness as it relates to (this area of my life) . . .
- Lord, I acknowledge I haven't always lived considering a greater world still to come help me especially when it comes to . . .

REQUEST:

- Lord, help me to remember you are victorious in the end, even when . . .
- Lord, I need your boundless grace for . . .
- Lord, please help ____ (name of loved one) to want the new spiritual life only you can give

READINESS:

- Lord, we will believe you are just and fair and you will judge all things, especially when we see
- Lord, when I feel a lack of assurance about my salvation, help me to . . .
- Lord Jesus, today I will trust in you for the grace I need for . . .
- Lord Jesus, come!