

## RESURRECTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH CHRIST'S SECOND ADVENT

(1 Corinthians 15:20-24)

### I. The TYPES of Resurrections

#### A. The Resurrection to LIFE

1. Luke 14:13-14 calls it “the resurrection of the RIGHTEOUS” (“just” KJV)
2. Philippians 3:10-11 speaks of “the resurrection, the one OUT FROM AMONG the dead” (literally)
3. Hebrews 11:35 speaks of those who “obtain a BETTER resurrection”
4. John 5:28-29 calls it “a resurrection to LIFE”
5. Revelation 20:6 calls “BLESSED and HOLY” all who have “a part in the FIRST resurrection”

#### B. The Resurrection to DAMNATION

1. John 5:29 speaks of the alternative “resurrection to JUDGMENT”
2. Revelation 20:5 contrasts participation in “the first resurrection” with “the REST of the dead” who “did not COME TO LIFE”
3. Revelation 20:11-13 refers three times to “the DEAD” who can only be “the REST of the dead” (v. 5) brought now to be JUDGED

### II. The TIMES of the Resurrections

#### A. Biblical evidence of DISTINCTIONS of timing

1. The OT teaches the FACT of the resurrection understood as GENERAL (Job 19:25-26; Ps. 16:10; 49:15; Hosea 13:14; Isa. 25:8; \*26:19; \*Dan. 12:2; cf. Heb. 11:17-19; Mark 9:9-10)
  2. The NT distinguishes between them in TIME (1 Cor. 15:20-24; \*Rev. 20:4-6; \*Rev. 20:11-13)
- B. The SEQUENCE of the resurrections
1. Of CHRIST as the BEGINNING of the resurrection program (1 Cor. 15:23)
  2. Of the CHURCH at the RAPTURE (1 Thess. 4:16)
  3. Of the TRIBULATION converts, together with the OT SAINTS (Rev. 20:3-5; cf. Dan. 12:2; Isa. 26:19)
  4. Of the UNSAVED dead at the END of the MILLENNIUM (Rev. 20:5; Rev. 20:11-14)

### III. Reasons for Distinguishing between the Resurrections of ISRAEL and the CHURCH

- A. The RAPTURE includes only those who are “IN CHRIST,” a position secured only by the baptism of the HOLY SPIRIT, which Israel never received (1 Thess. 4:16)
- B. The Church is a “MYSTERY” whose program God will COMPLETE before RESUMING His program with Israel
- C. Since resurrection is presented as a FINAL event, Israel’s resurrection could not come until her program is FINISHED at the END of the TRIBULATION
- D. Since Daniel 12:2 and Isaiah 26:19 must not be spiritualized into meaning merely a “RESTORATION,” the resurrections of the Church and of Israel must occur at DIFFERENT TIMES