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Matt. 7:13, "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.

Matt. 7:14, "Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it." John 14:6, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.' " Deut. 30:15, "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil,

Deut. 30:16, "in that I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the Lord your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess.

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Deut. 30:18, "I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong your days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess."

### Matt. 7:15, "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves."

Matt. 7:16, "You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles?

Matt. 7:17, "Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.

Matt. 7:18, "A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.

Matt. 7:19, "Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

Matt. 7:20, "Therefore by their fruits you will know them."

Deut. 13:1, "If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder,

Deut. 13:2, "and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods'—which you have not known—'and let us serve them,'

Deut. 13:3, "you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul." Deut. 13:4, "You shall walk after the LORD your God and fear Him, and keep His commandments and obey His voice; you shall serve Him and hold fast to Him.

Deut. 13:5, "But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has spoken in order to turn you away from the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of bondage, to entice you from the way in which the LORD your God commanded you to walk. So you shall put away the evil from your midst."

Deut. 18:20, " 'But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in My name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'

Deut. 18:21, "And if you say in your heart, 'How shall we know the word which the LORD has not spoken?'—

Deut. 18:22, "when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him." Matt. 7:21, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

Matt. 7:22, "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

Matt. 7:23, "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'"

#### **Justified vs. Sanctified**

- Jesus is addressing His disciples who are already saved.
- He taught them to pray to "Our Father."
- The thrust of the Sermon on the Mount is on how the righteous should live, not how the unsaved become righteous.
- So the focus here is not on the unsaved, but on the saved (justified) who have not lived in obedience to the Word.

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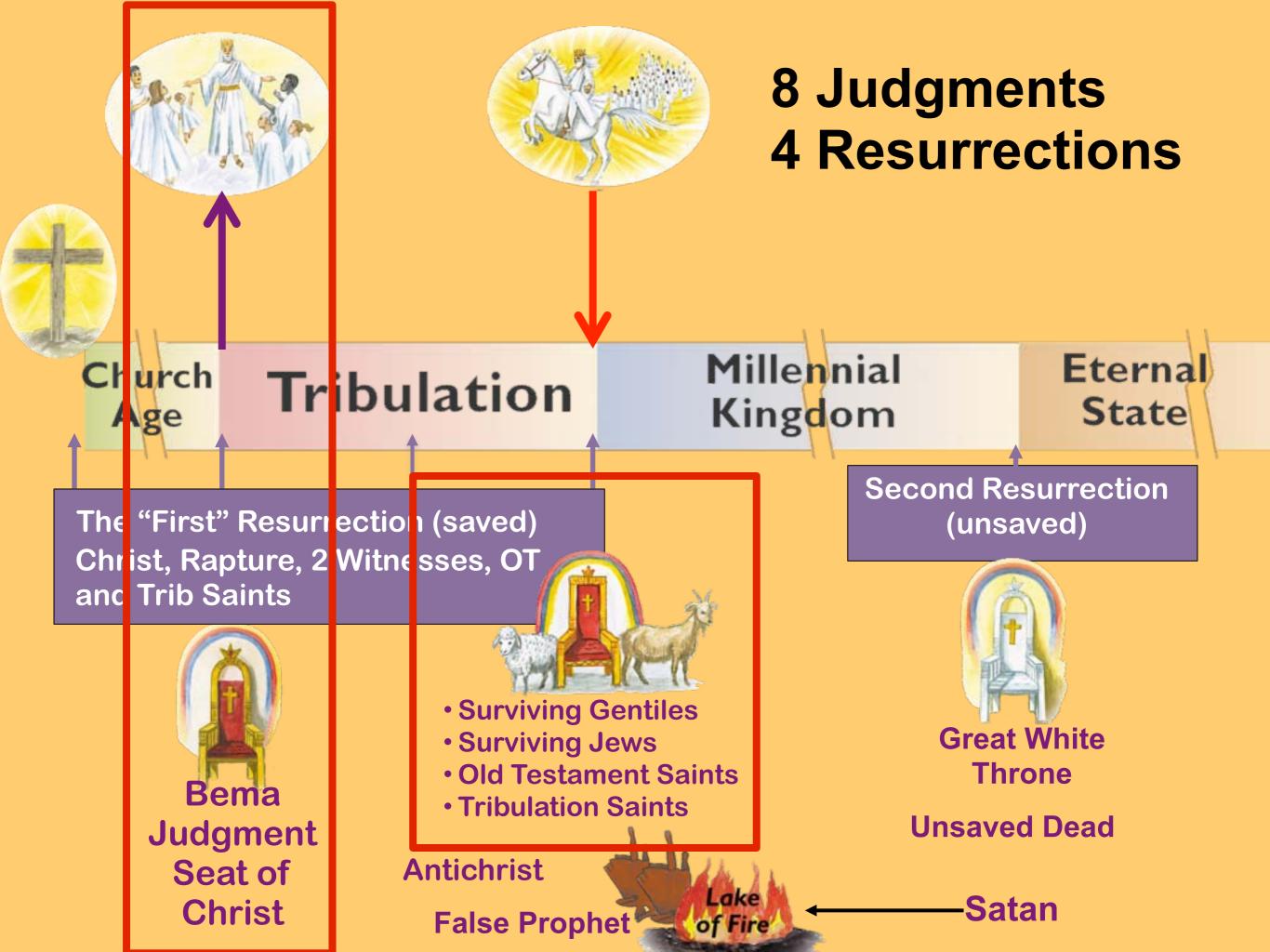
Matt. 5:19, "Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Matt. 5:20, "For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven." Matt. 7:21, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven."

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### **Conclusion**:

"Entering the Kingdom" here means not only getting into the kingdom (justification), but also experiencing all of the blessings of the kingdom. Matt. 7:22, "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?"

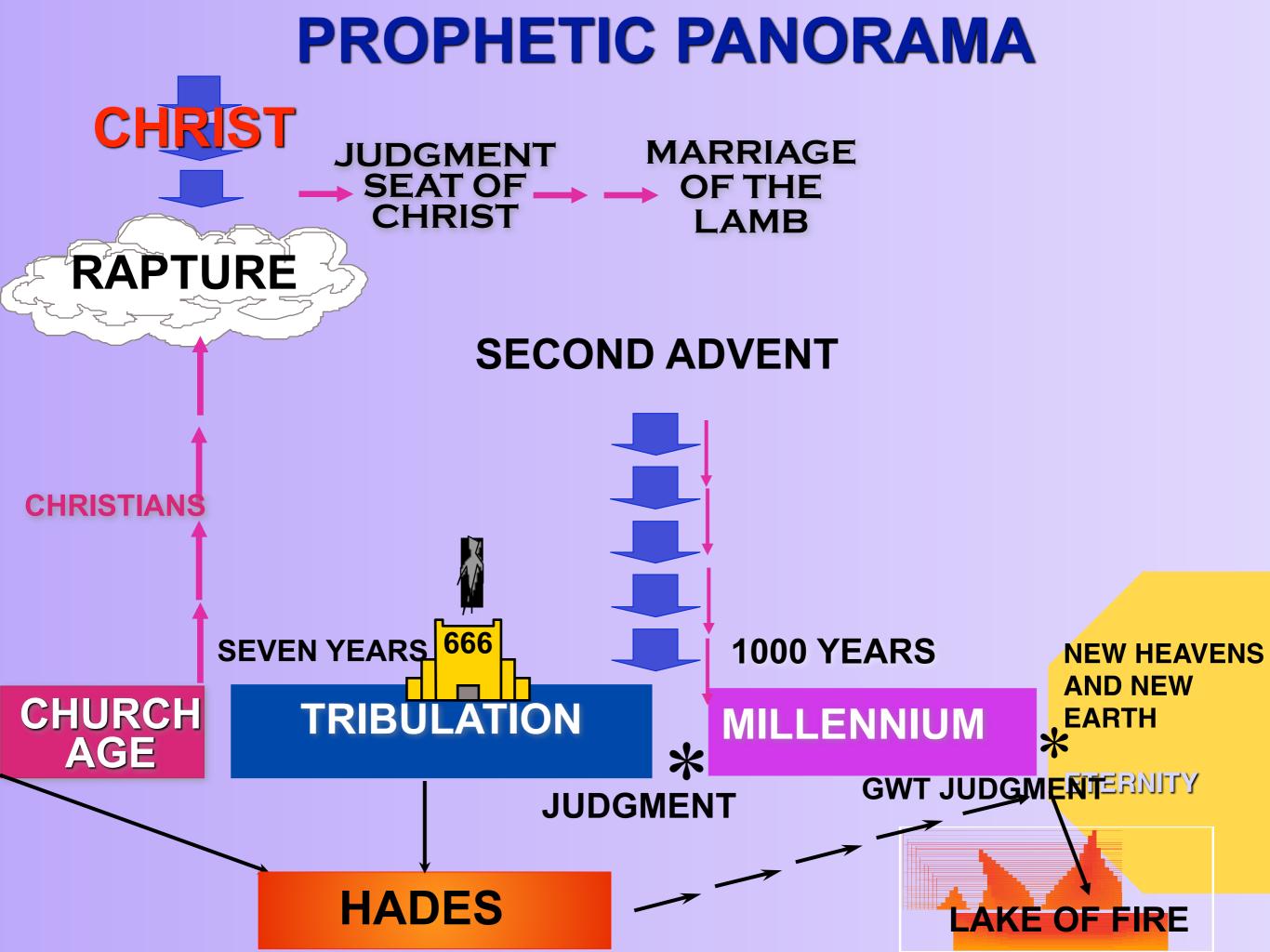


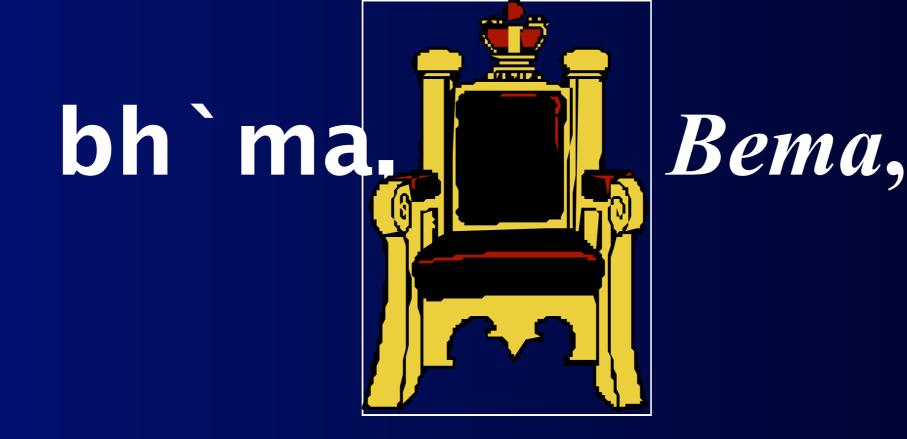
1 John 2:28, "And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and <u>not be ashamed</u> <u>before Him at His coming</u>."

# Romans 14:12, "So then each of us shall give account of himself to God."



2 Corinthians 5:10, 10 "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."





The raised or elevated seat where the magistrate or tribunal would sit. In judicial settings this was the seat of the judge or tribunal.





1 Cor. 3:11, "For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 3:12, "Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw,

1 Cor. 3:13, "each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is."

### 1 Cor. 3:14, "If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward.

1 Cor. 3:15, "If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire."

**Differences Between Salvation and Rewards** Salvation Rewards For all mankind For all believers **Given to few Given to few** The bel. does the work Christ does the work Earned **Free gift** Permanent May be lost Walking by Faith **Faith alone in Christ alone Provides equal opportunity Use of opportunity** 

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Rom. 6:3, "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

Gal. 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." 1 Thess. 5:10, "who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him."

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