THEDAYOF RECKONING

LUKE 12:1-21

THE DAY OF RECKONING

1. A reckoning with God awaits all people in this life and the next. 12:1-5

Christ-followers are to avoid pharisaical hypocrisy because God will expose the truth of each person's life. 12:1-3

Christ-followers will face persecution that might tempt them to compromise their faith. But of greater concern than physical suffering and death is the eternal judgment of God. 12:4-5

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2. True Christ-followers have no fear of death or the judgment that is to come upon the world. 12:6-8, 11-12

Jesus' followers are valuable to God the Father, who knows them intimately and will never forget them. 12:6-7

Those who openly follow and worship Christ in this life will be claimed by Christ at the end of all things. 12:8

Christ-followers will face persecution in this life because of Jesus, but they have no reason to fear because God will provide His Holy Spirit, who will allow believers to bear witness for Christ. 12:11-12

Am I confident and sure that I have nothing to fear of God because Jesus is my Savior and Lord?

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3. Those who do not trust in Christ, those who are not rich toward God, will find that beyond physical death is eternal rejection by God. 12:9-10, 13-21

Those who reject the Spirit's presence and message about Jesus will find no other salvation from the consequences of their sin. 12:9-10

Those who pursue selfcentered lifestyle rather than making themselves rich toward God will face God's judgment. 12:13-21

Have I responded to the prompting of the Holy Spirit to trust in Jesus for salvation and to live in a way that makes me rich toward God?