

The Catholic Hack! Episode No. 9

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1021 Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either accepting or rejecting the divine grace manifested in Christ.⁵⁹² The New Testament speaks of judgment primarily in its aspect of the final encounter with Christ in his second coming, but also repeatedly affirms that each will be rewarded immediately after death in accordance with his works and faith. The parable of the poor man Lazarus and the words of Christ on the cross to the good thief, as well as other New Testament texts speak of a final destiny of the soul—a destiny which can be different for some and for others.⁵⁹³

1022 Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven—through a purification⁵⁹⁴ or immediately,⁵⁹⁵—or immediate and everlasting damnation.⁵⁹⁶

At the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love.⁵⁹⁷

1 Corinthians

Chapter 3

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For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building.

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⁶ According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it,

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for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ.

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If anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, or straw,

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the work of each will come to light, for the Day⁷ will disclose it. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire (itself) will test the quality of each one's work.

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If the work stands that someone built upon the foundation, that person will receive a wage.

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But if someone's work is burned up, that one will suffer loss; the person will be saved,⁸ but only as through fire.

Ecclesiastes

Chapter 3

1

There is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens.

2

A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.

3

A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to tear down, and a time to build.

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A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance.

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A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them; a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.

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A time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away.

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A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to be silent, and a time to speak.

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A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

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What advantage has the worker from his toil?

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I have considered the task which God has appointed for men to be busied about.

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He has made everything appropriate to its time, and has put the timeless into their hearts, without men's ever discovering, from beginning to end, the work which God has done.

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I recognized that there is nothing better than to be glad and to do well during life.

The Book of Wisdom

Chapter 3

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¹ But the souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them.

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They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction

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4 and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace.
5 For if before men, indeed, they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality;
6 Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself.
7 ² As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.
8 ³ In the time of their visitation they shall shine, and shall dart about as sparks through stubble;
9 They shall judge nations and rule over peoples, and the LORD shall be their King forever.
10 Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love: Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with the elect.

Galatians

Chapter 5

5 For through the Spirit, by faith, we await the hope of righteousness.
6 For in Christ Jesus, neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

1 Corinthians

Chapter 13

1 ¹ If I speak in human and angelic tongues ² but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal.
2 And if I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge; if I have all faith so as to move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing.
3 If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.
4 ³ Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, (love) is not pompous, it is not inflated,

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it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury,

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it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.

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It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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⁴ Love never fails. If there are prophecies, they will be brought to nothing; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing.

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For we know partially and we prophesy partially,

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but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.

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When I was a child, I used to talk as a child, think as a child, reason as a child; when I became a man, I put aside childish things.

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At present we see indistinctly, as in a mirror, but then face to face. At present I know partially; then I shall know fully, as I am fully known.

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⁵ So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Matthew *Chapter 25*

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¹⁴ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne,

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and all the nations ¹⁵ will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

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He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

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Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

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For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me,

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naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'

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Then the righteous ¹⁶ will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?

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39 When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you?

40 When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'

And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'