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"I say, you know that word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; and who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him. And we are witnesses of all the things which He did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they killed by hanging Him on a tree. And God raised Him up on the third day, and showed Him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses were chosen beforehand by God, even to us, who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead. And He commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be the Judge of the living and the dead. To Him all the prophets gave witness, that through His name whosoever believes in Him shall receive remission of sins." (Acts 10:37-43) (from when Peter first shared the the good news of Jesus with non Jewish gentiles)

Judge: from the Greek word: *krites* which means: "a judge, a magistrate, one who passes judgement whether for reward, or for punishment"

Jesus Has been ordained by God to be the Judge of all people, both the living and the dead.
The following scriptures provide more insight:

Jesus taught, "When the Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He shall sit upon the throne of His glory. And before Him shall be gathered all the nations; and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats; and He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, "Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry, and you gave Me food; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you took Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came unto Me." Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, "Lord, when did we see we You hungry, and feed You? or thirsty, and gave You drink? When did we see we You as a stranger, and took You in? or naked, and clothed You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come unto You?" And the King shall answer and say unto them, "Truly I say unto you, inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, you have done it unto Me."

Then shall He say also unto those on the left hand, "Depart from Me, you cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels; For I was hungry, and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty, and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger, and you took Me not in; naked, and you clothed Me not: sick, and in prison, and you visited Me not." Then they shall also answer Him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto You?" Then shall He answer them, saying, "truly I say unto you, inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not unto Me." And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal." (Matthew 25:31-46)

The apostle paul wrote:

"We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Therefore we labor, so that, whether present or absent, we may be acceptable to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; so that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to what he has done, whether it be good or bad." (2 Corinthians 5:8-10)

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Jesus also said:

"For as the Father raises up the dead, and gives life to them; even so the Son gives life to whom He will. For **the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment to the Son**; so that all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who has sent Him. Truly, truly, I say unto you, he who hears My word, and believes on Him who sent Me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but has passed from death unto life. Truly, truly, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they who hear shall live. For as the Father has life in Himself; so has He given to the Son to have life in Himself; and **has given Him authority to execute judgment also**, because He is the Son of Man. Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming, in the which all who are in the graves shall hear His voice, And shall come forth; they who have done good, to the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, **to the resurrection of judgement**. I can of mine own self do nothing; as I hear, **I judge: and My judgment is just**; because I seek not My own will, but the will of the Father who has sent Me. (John 5:21-30)

The apostle Paul also wrote to Timothy:

"I charge you therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, **who shall judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom**; preach the word; be ready in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts they shall heap unto themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." (2 Timothy 4:1-4)

Jesus, the Son of Man, the Son of God, the promised Messiah, has been given the authority ordained by His Father, and **beginning at His second appearing as King**, to sit as **Judge** of both the living and the dead. Jesus will judge each human being; and His judgement for each person will be just, being based upon what He hears from God His Father. For the righteous: His judgement for them will be life eternal. But for those who have done evil, their judgement will be everlasting punishment. Consider these final words of Jesus:

"He who is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; and he who is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he who is holy, let him be holy still. And, behold, I am coming quickly; and **My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be**. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. Blessed are they who do His commandments, **that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the City**." (the Kingdom of Heaven) (Revelation 22:11-14)

JESUS is ...

God's ordained Judge...

**of all persons who have ever lived;
an honorable and Just Judge...**

**before whom we shall all give an account of our lives,
whether it be good, or bad.**

Blessed are those to whom Jesus shall say:

"Inasmuch as you did it to the lease of these , you did it unto Me!

Amen, come Lord Jesus !!!