

## Book of Life

**Foundational Scripture:** Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

# A. The Cycle of Death

- Gen 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. (*Note: Disobedience to God results in death*).
- Act 10:34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:
- Deu 30:10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, and if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.
- Deu 30:11 For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off.
- Deu 30:12 It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- Deu 30:13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- Deu 30:14 But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.
- Deu 30:15 See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;
- Deu 30:19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you **life and death, blessing and cursing:** therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

# B. The Foundation of the World

- Mat 13:35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.
- Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
- Joh 17:24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.
- 1Pe 1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,
- Rev 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
- Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.



#### C. The Book of Life

- 1. Life comes from God
  - a) Spirit of Life
    - Gen 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.
    - Baby is born with the life and spirit of God.
  - b) Spiritual death
    - Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
    - Rom 7:9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.
    - Eventually, at the age of reason, all sin and spiritually die.

#### 2. Jesus is Life

- a) Born Again life
  - 2 Co 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
  - Php 4:3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellow labourers, whose names are in the book of life.
- b) Sins not unto death (physical)
  - Rom 8:6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 1Co 15:51 Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,.
- c) Unpardonable Sin (Sin unto death)
  - 1Jn 5:16 If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death (i.e. *unenlightened sin e.g.*, *sin without meeting the five conditions*), he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death (*i.e.*, *enlightened sin*): I do not say that he shall pray for it.
  - Mat 12:31 Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.
  - Rev 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
  - Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
  - Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
  - Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.
  - Rev 22:19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.



# 3. Life through Overcoming

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them ....

- a) Overcoming in Christ
  - 1Jn 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.
  - 1Jn 5:5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?
  - 2Co 5:8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.
  - 1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
  - Rev 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.
  - Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.
- b) Martyrdom life
  - I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.
- c) Overcoming to the Return of Jesus
  - Rev 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

#### 4. New Jerusalem

- a) Perfection
  - Heb 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,
  - Heb 6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.
  - Heb 6:3 And this will we do, if God permit.
  - Heb 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
  - Heb 6:5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,
  - Heb 6:6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.
  - Heb 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
  - Heb 10:27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.



### b) Book of Life

- Rev 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.
- Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.
- Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

## c) Tree of Life

- Rev 22:14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
- Rev 22:15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.