

SECTION 12: THE ETERNAL STATE

Paragraph A: The Resurrection of All

We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment. *Daniel 12:2; Matthew 13:41-43; 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-31; John 3:16-18; 5:24*

Paragraph B: The Saved

We believe that the souls of the redeemed are, at death, absent from the body and present with the Lord, where in conscious bliss they await the first resurrection, when body and soul are reunited to stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ and to be glorified forever with the Lord in the new heaven, the new earth and the new Jerusalem. *Daniel 7:18; Matthew 25:46; Luke 23:43; John 5:28-29; II Corinthians 5:8-10; Philippians 3:20-21; Revelation 20:4-6; 21:1-27*

Paragraph C: The Lost

We believe that the souls of the unbelievers remain, after death, in conscious misery until the final judgment, when with body and soul reunited they shall appear at the Great White Throne Judgment, at the close of the millennium, and shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting conscious punishment. *Matthew 25:46; John 5:28-29; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; II Thessalonians 1:5-9; Jude 6-7; Revelation 20:11-15; 21:8.*