

To Live is Christ

21 For to me, to live is Christ.

Philippians 1:21 NKJV

FCI Faith Group Program

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BOOK OF PETER (PART 9) – JUDGMENT FOR BELIEVERS

- We learned last week, first and foremost, we are made sanctified or made holy by God through His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. This is grace brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. And because of that, we can be holy in our conduct/behavior.
- Christianity is our life in Christ. Of course, it is not all about conduct and behavior. But our holy conduct is the result of our life in Christ. We then choose to do holy things. And as we do so, we choose to be vessels of honor, not dishonor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for good works.
- *Iba ang may nalalaman.* It pays to know you are holy. And do not worry, He who began a good work in you, He is faithful to complete it. He is keeping us.
- We run the race set before us with certainty as we discipline ourselves so that we do not get disqualified in the eyes of man. Having in mind we are forever holy, forever sanctified, forever forgiven of all our sins because *Tetelestai* – It is finished!
- The future is set. Do not worry about your future! Do not worry about your past! Past is past!
- Live in the moment. Enjoy! You can touch your future by living in the moment.
- Live today. The truth is what we really have is now. *Wag mabuhay sa nakalipas o sa hinaharap. Pwedeng ma-excite sa hinaharap pero wag matakot dahil na kay Kristo ang ating tomorrow.*
- We are so blessed! Feel blessed. Walk blessed. Enjoy being blessed. Look blessed!
- Keep on seeing yourself .blessed. If you do, you are just living the truth. If you believe that, you will walk that way.
- Don't verify what you have by what people say or what the mirror says. Verify yourself from what God or the Word says about you.
- What a blessed life you have if you are filled with the Word of God!
- *Okay lang maging feelingera pagdating sa blessings ni Lord dahil totoo naman!*
- So verify from the Word for the Word of God will never pass away.
- What if you knew what is coming in the future? What if you knew how important it is what you do with your time and what to focus on *na may malaking* eternal benefit for you?
- Our Father God makes sure we know what to expect and what to do. He coaches us.
- **1 Peter 1:17-21**
- **1. Are Christians or believers of Jesus judged for their sins?**
- The short answer is No! The long answer is this:
 - God remembers our sins no more!
 - God has removed our sins as far as the East is from the West.
 - God keeps no records of our wrongs.
 - Blessed is the man whose sins the Lord does not take into account. This is us. (Every sin has been forgiven and forgotten.)
 - If you are in Christ Jesus, there is now no condemnation for you.
 - This is our confidence since we are in Christ and Christ is in us, we are safe as Jesus is safe in the day of Judgment.
- What is this judgment that Peter is talking about? This is not the judgment of our sins. All our sins are paid by Jesus Himself.
- This judgment is about each one's work. Not sins.

- Now, it might be said that there is only one work but it affects all our works. “The work of believing in the Lord Jesus Christ.” But know that because you believe in Him, all your works will be affected and rewarded.
 - **Matthew 16:27** – He will reward each according to his works. (Rapture time *ito* and reward time.)
 - The 5-fold ministers will be judged in their work as well, and all believers.
 - **1 Corinthians 3:7-8** – This is not only about Paul and Apollos. It also talks about anyone or any man who will build upon the foundation that they built – this is you and me today.
 - **1 Corinthians 3:9-15** – But take heed how we build on the foundation, the Cornerstone, Jesus Christ.
 - So share about the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit (gold, silver, precious stones). Lay on the foundation, our Lord Jesus.
 - Each one's work shall be revealed, *matetest* by fire. If it endures, may reward. Loss *pag wala. Masusunog lang ang ginawa. Hindi pasado.* But he, himself will be saved. Why? Because only the work is judged not the person's sins. *Dahil bayad na lahat ni Kristo ang ating pagkakasala!*
 - This is the Bema or the Judgment Seat of Christ for believers. While the Great White Throne Judgment is for unbelievers only, those who did not believe in the Lord Jesus. They have no savior *kaya sila ang magbabayad ng kasalanan nila sa Lake of Fire. At iisang kasalanan lang yun – ang kasalanan na di nila tinanggap si Kristo Hesús na Anak ng Diyos bilang Panginoon.* That was their choice.
 - **2 Corinthians 5:9-10** – this should be our aim or ambition.
 - God is already pleased with us. However, our work and conduct should also be pleasing to God. According to what we have done in the body, whether good or bad.
 - Good works will be rewarded!
 - What good works will I do in the body? Anything to do with: Righteousness, Peace, and Joy in the Holy Ghost. Because this is what the kingdom of God is about. (**Romans 14:17-19**)
 - Let us build up one another through Holy Spirit-led activities. Let the Holy Spirit lead you
 - It all starts at home. Start at home in your family, then church, then friends, then the world.
 - Example: *Sino ba ang ma-e-encourage o mabi-build up ko ngayon?*
 - **2. Conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear**
 - Fear is the Greek word *Phobos* = Reverential fear or awe.
 - *Hindi dahil sa nakakatakot ang Diyos, kung hindi dahil tayo ay namamangha sa Kanyang ginawa.*
 - Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world but was manifest in these last times for you who through Him believe in God.
- As believers, God will no longer judge as for our sins.
He remembers our sins no more.
He keeps no record of our wrongs.
There is now no condemnation for us.
This is all because our Lord Jesus paid for all our sins.
The only judgment left for us is for each one's work
while in the body, whether good or bad.
So share about the Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit
(gold, silver, and precious stones)
that we may receive our reward! Go for the crown!
Let's conduct ourselves with reverential fear or awe
of God's great love,
demonstrated by Jesus on the cross for us!*
- With reverential fear and awe, we choose to do good knowing that we were paid by the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - **3. Jesus was foreordained before the foundation of the world**
 - Wala pang foundation *ng mundo*, Jesus was already ordained to die on the cross.
 - **Revelation 13:8** says He is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
 - Even though He was already slain in the spirit realm from the foundation of the world, He still came to earth for our sakes. He had to die physically on the cross. He knew we needed proof. So that we would believe in God who sent Him. This is how much He loves us. And we are in awe or reverential fear of what He has done for us.