"Life Or Death" John 5:24-30 Easter Morning Services April 24, 2011

John 5:24-31

Job 14:14 - "If a man dies, will he live again?"

When the Bible speaks of death, it speaks of three different forms of death:

- **1. Physical Death** Death: means "separation"; it is the separation of the soul/spirit from the body.
- **2. Spiritual Death** We enter this world as enemies of God; A nature that opposes God.
- **3. Ultimate Death** Which is hell; After physical death comes separation from God for all eternity.

1. Verses 24-26 - Life Option

2. Verses 27-30 - Death Option

1. Verses 24-26 - Life Option:

John 5:24

"Truly, truly," – "This is the truth, Amen, or surely this is the truth"

"believes" – "to entrust, commit, put in trust with." It is not casual, it is entrusting your soul to Jesus.

"believes Him who sent Me," – the context is the Jews want to kill Jesus because He declared God is His father; <u>To believing that Jesus is God</u>. John 14:6

"has eternal life" – (present possession) It is quantity and quality of life.

Acts 17:31

The Resurrection is the guarantee of Eternal Life and Eternal Judgment.

Romans 1:16

Ephesians 2:5

Psalm 32:5 - "You forgave the guilt of my sin."

John 5:25

"when the dead" – He speaks of the spiritually dead, those that have not been born again.

Eph. 2:5

John 5:26

Jesus existed prior to Bethlehem; He had no beginning, He always was. There is no other source of life but Jesus.

2. Verses 27-30 - Death Option:

John 5:27

John 3:17

He will judge this world as one that Created and Lived in it Himself.

Romans 1:28-32

John 5:28

Future Judgment: "for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs shall hear His voice,"

John 11:43-44

Job 19:25-27

John 5:29

There are 2 Resurrections. There are 1000 years between the 2.

The First Resurrection – those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life; The good deeds are those who receive Jesus Christ! John 6:28-29 Christian Bema – 2 Cor 5:10 (Rewards Of Jesus)

The Second Resurrection – those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment; Unsaved only; Those who reject Jesus and His offer.

After the millennium (1000 years), The Great White Throne. Rev. 20

John 5:30

"I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just,"

- 1. Throne of Grace!
- 2. Throne of Justice!

Application: "A Relationship With Jesus Means We Are Now Spiritually Alive; Jesus Has Taken The Sting Out Of Physical Death, And Through Jesus, We Are Delivered From The Ultimate Death."