

# Last Great Day 2025

For so many in the Church of God ... **TODAY** ... represents their Greatest Joy!  
After **we** are baptised and have Assurance of Salvation ... What about others? ... our loved ones?  
Here is where Jesus gives us a “fist bump” and tells us “*we’ve got this covered in The Plan*”

## **The Feast of Booths**

**Lev 23:33-36** Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

Lev 23:34 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days to the LORD.

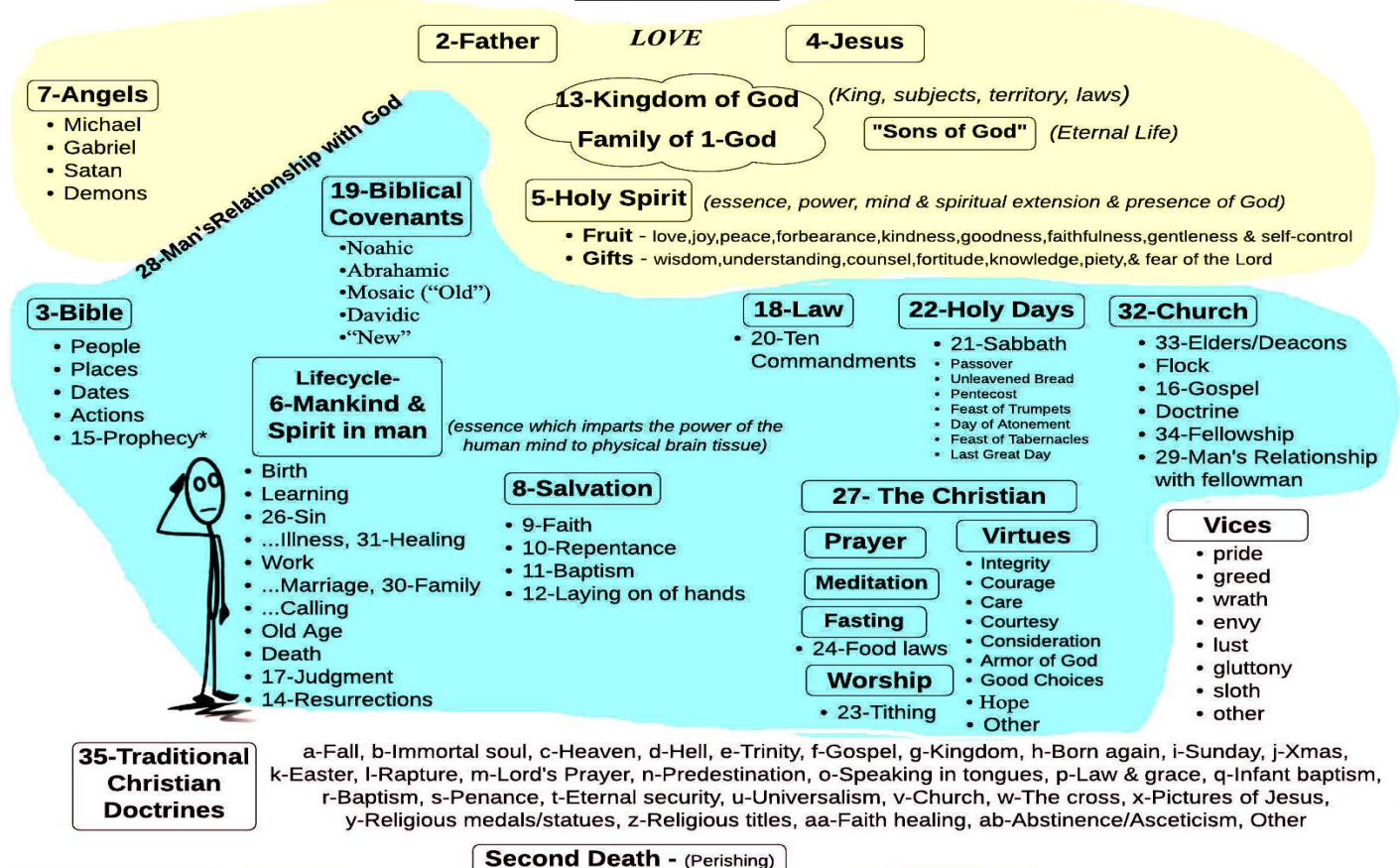
Lev 23:35 On the first day there shall be a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work on it.

Lev 23:36 For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. **On the eighth day** you shall have a holy convocation, and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. It is a sacred assembly, and you shall do no customary work on it.

In today's message we'll explore:

- Our Doctrinal statements on the LGD... the *collective wisdom* of elders lead by the Spirit
- Some key scriptures that reveal (& hint at) God's LGD plan (*scripture & reasoning*)
- A list of **8 classes of people** that will **not** enter the Kingdom of God (experience 2<sup>nd</sup> death)
- A peek of “what happens” after the White Throne Judgment ... looking into Eternity

### The Plan of God





### **Spiritual Meaning (of Holy Days)**

The holy days serve as an outline or picture of God's salvation plan—both

- for the individual and
- for mankind in general.

This understanding is based on a multitude of scriptures and ultimately is derived from the examples of Jesus and the New Testament writers who expound the meaning of some of the celebrations in unequivocal terms.

The holy days not only **teach us**

- God's plan of salvation,
- they point us directly to our Savior Jesus Christ.

Christ is our **Passover**. It is by putting on Christ that we put out sin (**Unleavened Bread**). Christ was the first of the first-fruits, and it was through His resurrection that we can receive the Holy Spirit as Counselor, Comforter, or Advocate (**Pentecost**). We believe Christ is going to intervene in world affairs on the **Day of Trumpets** and become King of kings and Lord and lords. Those who have accepted Christ are now **at one with Him** through baptism and His Spirit—having their sins forgiven (**Atonement**). Christ is coming to set up His government in the Millennium and rule this earth, and His people are **now** preparing the way for and are representatives of that Kingdom by following in Christ's footsteps (**Feast of Tabernacles**). Finally, Christ shall make salvation available to everyone in the last great step of His plan, which is the ultimate conclusion of His personal sacrifice as our Savior (**Last Great Day**).

The Church keeps God's annual holy days in their true spiritual intent as **constant reminders** of the plan of God.

From the CGI **Home Bible Study Course**... (*Lesson 15: Understanding the Last Great Day*)

[CgiCanada.org/bible-study](http://CgiCanada.org/bible-study)

### **Doctrinal Statement:**

Untold millions have lived and died without ever having the knowledge to understand salvation. The Last Great Day represents the time when they shall be resurrected and given that chance—not a second chance but a first chance—a chance they will not have had before. Only then shall God's initial plan for mankind be at an end. Thus, this last great holy day of God pictures the greatest period of salvation for mankind—the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev.

20:11–15). The culmination of the plan of salvation is marked by the renewal of the whole creation in the new heaven and the new earth. Death and destruction are now no more; human history has ended. The Kingdom of God has become eternal and the Father comes to Earth to tabernacle with His immortal family (Rev. 21:1–3).



## Some key scriptures that reveal (& hint at) God's LGD plan

### **Judgment Before the Great White Throne**

Rev 20:11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

Rev 20:13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Rev 20:14 Then Death & Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Rev 20:15 & anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Obviously, those who have not heard the way of salvation & the name of Jesus Christ are without hope of salvation, are lost forever, **if** there is no future opportunity for salvation.

**The awesome truth is** that all mankind **from all time** **will** have an opportunity for salvation & the attainment of eternal life in the family of God. No human being is doomed forever simply because he has never heard of Christ's name or never really understood God's purpose & plan.

**2 Peter 3:9** God is —not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance

**Is ONLY Israel given this chance??** (*Jesus makes clear!*)

**Mat 11:20-24** Then He began to rebuke the cities in which most of His mighty works had been done, because they did not repent:

Mat 11:21 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Mat 11:22 But I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the day of judgment than for you.

Mat 11:23 And you, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, will be brought down to Hades; for if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

Mat 11:24 But I say to you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for you."

**Mat 12:41-42** The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and indeed a greater than Jonah is here.

**Judgment** does not always mean passing sentence. In some texts, it implies a process, a period of time during which a person's mind is opened to understand God's plan, & during which his actions are under daily scrutiny by God in the light of that understanding. God is intimately concerned with His children, and works in their lives to produce the best ultimate results.







- **Matthew 13:36–43** *The parable of the tares of the field shows that Christians start out as seeds and must grow until the harvest.*

For most people, this judgment process covers a period of many years.

- It is only at the end of this period that God makes the decision of whether or not that person shall enter His Kingdom at the resurrection.

But judgment involves **more** than just making a “yes” or “no” decision, more than the simple determination of whether a person will be granted salvation; for, indeed...

**the overwhelming majority will receive salvation.**

### **Where is this indicated in Scripture or Reasoning?**

- **Luk 13:23-24** Then one said to Him, "Lord, are there few who are saved?"

**Jesus doesn't answer!?! ...** He instead focuses on Action ...

And He said to them, "**Strive** to enter through the narrow gate, for **many**, I say to you, will seek to enter and **will not** be able.

- **Mat 7:14** Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are **few** who find it.
- **Heb 2:10** For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing **many** sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- **Rom 9:27** Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: "THOUGH THE NUMBER OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL BE AS THE SAND OF THE SEA, **THE REMNANT WILL BE SAVED.**

God always seems to have a righteous remnant (like **the 7000** God told Elijah about **1Ki 19:18**)

### **The Valley of Dry Bones (... a Vision of the Second Resurrection)**

Eze 37:1 The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones.

Eze 37:2 Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry.

Eze 37:3 And He said to me, "Son of man, **can these bones live?**" So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know."

Eze 37:4 Again He said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!

Eze 37:5 **Thus says the Lord GOD** to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and **you shall live.**

Eze 37:6 I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. **Then you shall know that I am the LORD.**" ' ' "

Eze 37:7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone.

Eze 37:8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them.

Eze 37:9 Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ' "

Eze 37:10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

Eze 37:11 Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!'

Eze 37:12 Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

Eze 37:13 **Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves**, O My people, and brought you up from your graves.

Eze 37:14 I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it and performed it," says the LORD.' "



### **I Will Be Their God, They Shall Be My People**

Eze 37:15 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

Eze 37:16 "As for you, son of man, take a stick for yourself and write on it: 'For Judah and for the children of Israel, his companions.' Then take another stick and write on it, 'For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel, his companions.'

Eze 37:17 Then join them one to another for yourself into one stick, and they will become one in your hand.

Eze 37:18 "And when the children of your people speak to you, saying, 'Will you not show us what you mean by these?'—

Eze 37:19 say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Surely I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, & the tribes of Israel, his companions; & I will join them with it, with the stick of Judah, & make them one stick, & they will be one in My hand.

Eze 37:20 And the sticks on which you write will be in your hand before their eyes.

Eze 37:21 "Then say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Surely I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, wherever they have gone, and will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land;

Eze 37:22 and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king over them all; they shall no longer be two nations, nor shall they ever be divided into two kingdoms again.

Eze 37:23 They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions; but I will deliver them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them. Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God.



Eze 37:24 "**David My servant shall be king** over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them.

Eze 37:25 Then they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, where your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell there, they, their children, and their children's children, forever; and My servant David shall be their prince forever.

Eze 37:26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them, and it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; I will establish them and multiply them, and I will set My sanctuary in their midst forevermore.

Eze 37:27 My tabernacle also shall be with them; indeed I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

Eze 37:28 **The nations** also **will know** that I, the LORD, sanctify Israel, when My sanctuary is in their midst forevermore." ' '

### The New Covenant

**Jer 31:31-34** "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—

Jer 31:32 not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD.

Jer 31:33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put **My law in their minds**, and write it on their **hearts**; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

Jer 31:34 No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, '**Know the LORD**,' for **they all shall know Me**, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

**Eze 36:24-31** For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land.

Eze 36:25 Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols.

Eze 36:26 I will give you a **new heart and put a new spirit within you**; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Eze 36:27 I will put My Spirit within you and **cause you** to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

Eze 36:28 Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God.

Eze 36:29 I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. I will call for the grain and multiply it, and bring no famine upon you.

Eze 36:30 And I will multiply the fruit of your trees and the increase of your fields, so that you need never again bear the reproach of famine among the nations.

Eze 36:31 Then **you will remember your evil ways** and your deeds that were not good; & you will loathe yourselves in your own sight, for your iniquities & your abominations.

God's plan of salvation for mankind is pictured in His holy days. God is **fair**.

- Psa 7:11 God is a **just** (ESV-righteous) judge
- Isa 30:18 ...For the LORD is a God of justice; Blessed are all those who wait for Him

Because He is fair, He planned for everyone who has ever lived to receive a fair opportunity for salvation ... that **many of us** are receiving at **this** time.

### **8 classes of people that will NOT enter the Kingdom of God; they will suffer the 2nd death**

**Rev 21:8** But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire & brimstone, which is the second death."

#### **Sexual Sins**

1. Fornicators / sexually immoral (1 Cor 6:9; Gal 5:19; Eph 5:5; Rev 21:8)
2. Adulterers (1 Cor 6:9; Gal 5:19)
3. Homosexuals, sodomites (1 Cor 6:9)
4. Lewdness / uncleanness (Gal 5:19; Col 3:5)
5. Passion / evil desire (Col 3:5)

#### **Idolatry & Sorcery**

6. Idolaters (1 Cor 6:9; Gal 5:20; Eph 5:5; Rev 21:8; Rev 22:15)
7. Sorcerers (Gal 5:20; Rev 21:8; Rev 22:15)
8. Covetousness = idolatry (Eph 5:5; Col 3:5)

#### **Sins of Violence & Hatred**

9. Murderers (Gal 5:21; Rev 21:8; 22:15; Rom 1:29)
10. Violent (Rom 1:30)
11. Wrath / outbursts of anger (Gal 5:20)
12. Hatred (Gal 5:20)
13. Haters of God (Rom 1:30)
14. Malicious (Rom 1:29)



#### **Sins of Speech**

15. Liars / all who love and practice a lie (Rev 21:8; Rev 22:15)
16. Revilers (1 Cor 6:10)
17. Whisperers / gossipers (Rom 1:29)
18. Backbiters (Rom 1:30)
19. Boasters (Rom 1:30)

#### **Sins of the Flesh (Appetites & Indulgence)**

20. Drunkards (1 Cor 6:10; Gal 5:21)
21. Revelries (wild partying) (Gal 5:21)

#### **Sins of Greed & Dishonesty**

22. Thieves (1 Cor 6:10)
23. Covetous / greedy (1 Cor 6:10; Col 3:5; Eph 5:5; Rom 1:29)
24. Extortioners (1 Cor 6:10)
25. Deceitful (Rom 1:29)
26. Untrustworthy (Rom 1:31)

#### **Sins Against Relationships & Community**

27. Jealousy / envy (Gal 5:20–21; Rom 1:29)
28. Contentions / strife / dissensions (Gal 5:20; Rom 1:29)
29. Heresies (Gal 5:20)
30. Unloving / unforgiving / unmerciful (Rom 1:31)
31. Disobedient to parents (Rom 1:30)

#### **Sins of Character & Attitude**

32. Cowardly (Rev 21:8)
33. Unbelieving (Rev 21:8)
34. Abominable (Rev 21:8)
35. Wickedness (Rom 1:29)
36. Proud (Rom 1:30)
37. Inventors of evil things (Rom 1:30)
38. Undiscerning (Rom 1:31)
39. Selfish ambition (Gal 5:20)
40. Approvers of evil (Rom 1:32)

Many claim that a person **can be** immoral, adulterous, homosexual, or practice any of the lusts of the flesh & still be a “true child of God”. They refuse to believe the clear scriptures.



## A peek of “what happens” after the White Throne Judgment ... looking into Eternity

### **The New Heaven and the New Earth**

**Rev 21:1-4** Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

Rev 21:2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

Rev 21:4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

### **The New Jerusalem**

**Rev 21:9-10** Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God

**Rev 21:22-24** But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty & the Lamb are its temple

Rev 21:23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

Rev 21:24 And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it.

### **The River of Life**

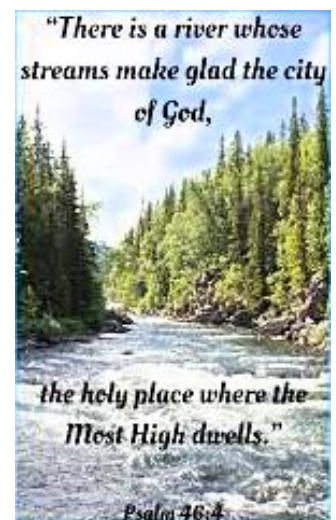
**Rev 22:1-5** And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Rev 22:2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Rev 22:3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

Rev 22:4 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads.

Rev 22:5 There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.



### **Jesus Is Coming**

**Rev 22:12** "And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

**Rev 22:20** He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!