

Shut out from God's Presence



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1 Cor 3:11-16 (NIV) For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. (12) If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, (13) their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. (14) If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. (15) If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved--even though only as one escaping through the flames. (16) Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?

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Acts 17:24-27 (NIV) 24 "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. 25 And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. 26 From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. 27 God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.

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2 Thess 1:6-10 (NIV84) 6 God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you 7 and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. 8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power 10 on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.

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James 1:17 (NIV84) Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

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Genesis 2:7 (NIV84) the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

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2 Cor 5:10 (NIV) "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad."

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Acts 2:28 (NIV) You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

Psa 16:11 (NIV) You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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Psa 100:4 (NIV) Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

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Heb 4:12 (NIV) For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. 13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. ”

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2Pe 1:3 (NIV84) His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

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Psa 51 (NIV) 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. **2** Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. **3** For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. **4** Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.... **10** Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. **11** Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. **12** Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. **17** My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.

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Matt 24:12-13 (NIV84) 12 Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, **13** but he who stands firm to the end will be saved.

Heb 3:6 (NIV84) But Christ is faithful as a son over God's house. And we are his house, if we hold on to our courage and the hope of which we boast.

Heb 3:14 (NIV84) We have come to share in Christ if we hold firmly till the end the confidence we had at first.

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Heb 10:35-36 (NIV84) 35 So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded 36 You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised. 37 For in just a very little while, "He who is coming will come and will not delay. 38 But my righteous one will live by faith. And if he shrinks back, I will not be pleased with him." 39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved.

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Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV84) Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart

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Rev 20:12 (NIV) And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. ... 15 Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

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What have you done with Jesus?