

NW Bible Church – Angels, Devils, and the Dead

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LESSON –THE PLACE OF THE DEAD – PARADISE

Paradise – NT Only; Greek = a “royal park” or a “garden”

1. Before Resurrection
 - a. Luke 23:43 – “This day you will be with me in Paradise”
 - b. Luke 16:19-31 – Rich man and Lazarus
2. After Resurrection, before final judgment
 - a. 2 Corinthians 12:2-4
 - b. John 14:1-3 – A place prepared for us, Jesus will come for us
 - c. 2 Corinthians 5:6-21 (8), Philippians 1:21-23 – present with the Lord
 - d. Righteous in Revelation - 6:9-11 – Martyrs, 7:9-17 – Tribulation period
3. Millennium Kingdom not described as paradise (not absolutely holy)
 - a. Revelation 20:1-10 (2, 7-8)
4. Eternal State
 - a. Revelation 2:7 – “Paradise” is where the Tree of Life is, future tense
 - b. Revelation 22:1-2 – Tree of Life after final judgment
 - c. Revelation 21-22
 - d. Eternal State of the unrighteous - Revelation 19:20, 20:10, 11-15

Minimum Dispensations

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| 1. Creation | Angels in Sheol/Tartarus/Abyss already |
| 2. Fall | Man to Sheol |
| 3. Flood | |
| 3a. Mt Sinai | |
| 4. Resurrection | Righteous to Heaven |
| 5. Rapture | Bodily ascent to heaven, bodies of righteous
Releases of fallen angels |
| 6. Return | Physical death, binding of Satan |
| 7. Final Judgment | Cast into Lake of Fire |