

Scriptural Support of "The Saints Are Coming" with Christ to Judge the World
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The following study was done to see if The Bible validated the first 9 verses of "The Blessing of Enoch," verse 9 of which is referred to in the Book of Jude.

"The Blessing of Enoch"

M. Knibb's modern English translation of the Ethiopian text,
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1 Enoch 1.1-9

"These are the words of the blessing of Enoch; according to which he blessed the chosen and righteous who must be present on the day of distress, which is appointed, for the removal of all the wicked and impious.

And Enoch began his story and said: -

There was a righteous man whose eyes were opened by the Lord, and he saw a Holy vision in the Heavens, which the Angels showed to me. And I heard everything from them, and I understood what I saw: but not for this generation, but for a distant generation that will come. Concerning the Chosen I spoke; and I uttered a parable concerning them: The Holy and Great One will come out of his dwelling. And the Eternal God will tread from there upon Mount Sinai, and he will appear with his Host, and will appear in the strength of his power from Heaven.

And all will be afraid, and the Watchers will shake, and fear and great trembling will seize them, up to the ends of the earth. And the high mountains will be shaken; and the high hills will be laid low and will melt like wax in a flame. And the earth will sink, and everything that is on the earth will be destroyed, and there will be judgment upon all, and upon all the righteous.

But for the righteous: He will make peace, and He will keep safe the Chosen, and mercy will be upon them. They will all belong to God, and will prosper and be blessed, and the light of God will shine on them. And behold! He comes with ten thousand Holy Ones; to execute judgment upon them and to destroy the impious, and to contend with all flesh concerning everything that the sinners and the impious have done and wrought against Him."

Note: These verses, according to most scholars, may be authenticated to pre-date the birth of Christ. Many scholars believe that Christ Himself referenced the Book of Enoch when He referred to Himself as "the Son of Man." 1 Enoch 1:9 appears almost word for word in Jude 1:14-15, and at least portions of the book were read in Christian Churches up until the 4th Century. It seems clear that the day referred to in the preceding passage is the day of judgment—the day on which the LORD will appear, to judge mankind.

It has been the purpose of this investigation to see if Scripture validates this prophecy or not, with particular regard to the assertion that the saints or holy ones will appear with the Lord on the day that He comes to judge Mankind.

Scriptures that back up Enoch's prophecy
(All scriptures presented here are in King James Version)

God is Personally Coming to Judge the Earth

1 Chronicles 16:33 says, "Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because **he cometh to judge the earth.**"

Psalms 9:8, "And **he shall judge the world in righteousness**, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness."

Psalms 96:13 says, "...the LORD: for he cometh, for **he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.**"

Psalms 98:9 says, "Before the LORD; for **he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.**"

God will Judge the Earth through Jesus Christ (He is LORD and Judge)

Acts 17:30-31 says, "the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: Because **he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof** he hath given assurance unto all *men*, in that he hath raised him from the dead."

Isaiah 11:2-5 says, " And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and **he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth**, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins."

Revelation 19:11-16 says, "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And **out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations**: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

Acts 10:40-43 says, "Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, *even* to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that **it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead**. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

2 Timothy 4:1 says, "**...the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom**" (also v. 8 - The LORD is the righteous judge who shall reward those who 'love His appearing')

Hebrews 10:30 says, "For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, **The Lord shall judge his people**."

1 Peter 4:3-7 says, "**...the Gentiles...shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead**. For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

John 5:22-30 says, "For **the Father** judgeth no man, but **hath committed all judgment unto the Son: That all men should honour the Son**, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as **the Father hath** life in himself; so hath he **given to the Son** to have life in himself; And hath given him **authority to execute judgment** also, because he is the Son of man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. **I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me**."

1 Peter 1:17 says, "And if ye call on **the Father**, who without respect of persons **judgeth according to every man's work**, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear"

The saints shall, along side of the LORD, judge the world and fallen angels

2 Peter 2:4 says, "...if God spared not **the angels that sinned**, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be **reserved unto judgment...**"

Jude 1:6 says, "**the angels which** kept not their first estate, but **left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.**"

1 Corinthians 6:2-3 says, "Do ye not know that **the saints shall judge the world?** and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that **we shall judge angels?**"

Jude 1:14-15 says, "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, **the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, to execute judgment upon all**, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

Revelation 20:4-6 says, "And I saw **thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them:** and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, 18, 21-22 says, "I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, and his wheels *as* burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened."

"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed." "But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever." "I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Until **the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High;** and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom."

How will God judge the world?

Romans 2:3-16 says, "...thinkest thou this...that thou shalt escape the judgment of God? ...despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; ...the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance...after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of **God**; Who **will render to every man according to his deeds**: To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: **For there is no respect of persons with God** [it doesn't matter if you're a Christian, or not]. For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law; (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified. For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;) In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel."

Who will be judged by the LORD?

Romans 14:10-12 says, "...for **we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ**. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then **every one of us shall give account of himself to God.**"

Revelation 20:12-14 says, "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and **the dead were judged** out of those things which were written in the books, **according to their works**. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works."

2 Corinthians 5:10 says, "For **we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.**"

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So God will judge *everyone*, saint and sinner, Jew and Gentile, living and dead.

Why the LORD delays His return

2 Peter 3:1-12 says, "This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in *both* which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour: Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?"

The saints, His people, are truly like Him

1 John 4:17

"Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world."