

THE CHURCH'S DOCTRINES AND BIBLE BELIEFS.

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1. THE BIBLE

We believe that the Bible was written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. It contains the mind of God, the state of man and the way of salvation. All true Christian teachings and attitudes are established in it.

The Bible also contains the judgement of sinners and the happiness that awaits believers at the last day. It's laws are binding on us and its decisions are unchangeable. 2 Tim 3:16-17. 2 Pet 1:20-21, John 17:17, Psalm 119:105, Deut. 4:2, Rev 22:18-19, Matthew 24:34-35, Psalm 119:89.

2. <u>ONE GOD</u>

The Almighty God is real, He is the Creator of the Heavens and the Earth, the visible and the invisible things, He is the same in the past, in the present and in the future. In Him every creature receives life. Gen 1:1, Psalm 86:9-10, Isaiah 43:10-11, John 5:26, Job 10:12, 26:13, 36:26.

3. JESUS CHRIST

Jesus Christ is God revealed in the flesh. He is the Son of God the Saviour of the world, who took away our sins. He was born by Mary the virgin who conceived Him of the Holy Ghost and in Him were all things made that was made. John 1:1-14, John 14:9, Isaiah 9:6, 53:5-6, John 10:30,2 Cor.5:11, Heb.9:26, Mat.1:8-25, 1 Tim 3:16.

4. <u>THE HOLY GHOST</u>

The Holy Ghost is the third person in the Holy Trinity. He has the same attributes as God the Father and God the Son, hence He is called God the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost teaches all things, knows all, searches all, speaks, directs and can do all things. He does the work of sanctification in the lives of believers and endows them with power and gifts. John 14:16-17, John 15:26, Mat 3:16, Mat 28:19, 2 Cor.13:14, I John 2:27, John 16:7-8, Eph.1:17-19, 2 Thess.2:13, Acts 1:8.

5. <u>THE HOLY TRINITY</u>

Three persons makes the Godhead, they are God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. These three persons that become one are the source of blessing to all. The Holy Trinity can be compared to the make-up of a man. Man is composed of the body that you can see, the soul that appears in his dreams as him which will appear before God in judgement and the Spirit which will return back to God. Gen 1:26-29, Mat 3:16-17, Matt 28:19, 2 Cor.13:14, I John 5:5-7.

6. <u>THE DEVIL AND DEMONS</u>

The devil is real and active; he is a former angel with God who goes about seeking the downfall of every man. He is the author of every evil in the world. He is opposed to true believers and seeks their destruction. He has some fallen angels with him that were casted out with him from God's presence for rebelling, they are called demons. During the millennial reign of Christ, he will be chained in the bottomless pit and finally thrown into the lake of fire with his angels and followers. Rev 12:1-11, Gen 3:1-16, Mat 4:1-11, James 4:7, I Peter 5:8, Mat 12:24, Rev 20:7-9, 20:10.

7. <u>MAN ON EARTH</u>

Man is the last creation of God that was made a ruler over all the other creations. He was formed out of the dust of the ground and having received the breath of life from God, he became a living soul. He is in three parts namely body, soul and spirit. He is God's emissary on Earth who even partakes in His work of creation by naming the animals. God showered him with love more than any other creation. Yet man fell but for the love of God, He sent a Saviour to redeem him. Gen 1:26, 2:7, 2:15, John 3:16, Psalm 8:4-9.

8. <u>TOTAL REPENTANCE</u>

Total repentance is the sorrow of a godly man for his sins, with decision to abstain from them and turn to God. Acts 3:19, 20:21, 2 Cor.7:10, Mark 1:15, Isaiah 55:7, 2 Chro.7:14, Ezekiel 18:21.

9. <u>THE NEW BIRTH</u>

This is the work of grace of God whereby we received total forgiveness for our sins and be able to stand before God justified as though we have never sinned. Acts 13:39, Rom 3:24-26, Rom 5:1, John 3:3-5, Titus 3:5. I Peter 1:23, Acts 10:43.

10. **SANCTIFICATION**

This is another work of grace of God, whereby we are cleansed completely from sin through the work of the Holy Spirit and the word of God. John 17:15-17, I Thess. 4:3, Heb.2:11-12, I John 1:7, Luke 1:74-75, 2 Cor.7:1, I Peter 1:16, 2 Thess.2:13.

11. WATER BAPTISM

We believe that Water Baptism by immersion is a command of our Lord Jesus Christ to all believers. Baptism itself means immersion in water. As Christ commands, it should be done in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost or in the name of Jesus Christ. According to the practice of the Apostles every believer immediately qualifies for baptism after conversion and teachings. For as long as a believer has the opportunity of life and chance, he or she should be baptized except at the point of death, a dying believer need not be baptized just as the dying thief at the right hand of Jesus Christ when crucified. Water baptism is important, because it is an outward sign by all witness of the true repentance by the believer and the believer is joined with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection. Thus as the believer is immersed in the water, He is dead to the world and its evil and immediately when raised up he is counted as being resurrected with the risen Christ. Mat 28:19, Acts 18:8, Acts 8:29-39, Acts 2:38, Col 2:12; Rom 6:4, I Peter 3:21.

12. <u>THE KINGDOM OF GOD</u>

The Kingdom of God in the broadest sense is God's supreme sovereignty. God's reign is now manifest in the church and in the life of each believer who is submissive to His will. The kingdom of God will be fully manifested over the whole world after the return of Jesus Christ when He delivers all things to God the Father. Luke 17:20-21, I Corinthians 15:24-28, Colossians 1:13, Revelation 1:6; 11:15, Colossians 21:3, 22-27; 22:1-5.

13. HOLY GHOST BAPTISM

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost is the in-filling of the believer with the Holy Ghost. He is the promise of the Father to all believers who ask for it and those He shall call. Any Christian who receives this baptism must receive such in full measure so as to be able to speak in tongues. Luke 25:49, John 7:37-39, Acts 1:4-5, Acts 2:38-39, Acts 2:4, Acts 19:26, Acts 1:8.

14. **PRAYER AND FASTING**

We believe in the efficacy of prayer in the name of Jesus Christ. The Apostles put prayer first in their lives and spent much time in prayer. It is a right of every Christian without any condemnation of heart. Such soul will thirst for God and the Holy Ghost helps his infirmities in Prayer. However, without faith such prayer shall be powerless before God. It is God's plan and order that we should pray without ceasing and not to faint, in order to receive all the blessings God has promised in His treasure for us. But much trouble and danger can be encountered in such acts. Fasting is a way of denying our flesh food, water, drinks etc. for a season in order to humble the flesh before God and pray. Fasting is however powerless without prayer. James 5:16, Acts 6:4, Rom 1:9, Col. 1:9, Zech.12:10, Psalms 42:2, Rom 8:26, John 16:23, I Tim 2:5, James 1:6-8, Heb.11:6, Isaiah 43:2, Isa 64:6-7, Col. 4:2, Matt 17:2, Luke 18:1, James 4:2, Dan 9:3, Mat 7:7-11.

15. **DIVINE HEALING**

This is healing without the use of medicine. It is Biblical and divinely ordained, because sickness is one of the consequences of the fall of man caused by Satan, whose work is to steal, kill and to destroy. However, Christ came to destroy the works of the devil by purchasing our soul from the curse of sin. He bore our sickness and carried our sorrows and by His stripes, we are healed. Healing without medicine is of the gospel, the twelve disciples were commanded to preach and heal.

Equally, the Lord commands us to go into the world to teach the nations and heal the sick. To exercise divine healing however we need to sacrifice our life to the doing of the law. In other words, we need to maintain holiness. The Apostles for instance perform many miracles of divine healing. Mat 4:23, Psalm 103:3, Gen 3:1-5, Job 2:1-9, Acts 10:38, I John 3:8, Mat 8:15-17, Isa 53:4-5, O {et 2:24, Mat 9:25, Mark 6:10-8, Luke 9:1-2, 10:1-9, Mark 16:15-18.

16. **DELIVERANCE**

Deliverance is the process of expelling demons, destroying their evil sentences of evil authorities called curses, destroying their legal stand for the curses and indwelled demons called evil covenants and receiving forgiveness for the cause – effects which is sin. The tools used for the operation of deliverance are the word of God, the name of Jesus Christ and the blood of Jesus Christ. The importance of deliverance is to give to the delivered believer the access to all the blessings of Abraham promised by God to His people. Mark 16:17, Col 2:14-15, Gal 3:13-14, Acts 16:16-18, Mat 10:1, Rev 12:11

17. LAYING OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL

- (A) Laying of hands is a means of impartation of the gift of Holy Ghost and its anointing, healing and effecting the operation of deliverance. It is also a way of separation to a spiritual office. Mark 16:18, Acts 9:17-18, Acts 28:8, 19:1-7, Rom 1:11, I Tim 4:14, I Tim 5:22.
- (B) Anointing with oil is Biblical and a means of impartation of Holy Ghost Power to heal, deliver, establish and ordain to a spiritual office. James 5:14-15, Mark 6:13, I Sam 10:1, Lev 6:20, 8:10, 10:7, I Kings 1:39.

18. **TRUE RESTITUTION**

True restitution is a sign of true repentance. It is a payment for what is damaged. What has been done in the past or present, which cannot give a true believer a clear conscience before man and God should be restituted without delay. Prov.28:13, Lev 6:1-7, Luke 19:8, Acts 24:16, Exodus 22:1-8.

19. SEPARATION FROM WORLDLINESS

The Bible strictly commands us not to love the world and the things that are in the world. The Bible also teaches us to abstain from all appearance of evil. Thus believers are not expected to be worldly halls club houses etc. All those doing such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God. Gal 5:19-21, I Pet 4:3-4, I John 2:15, I Thess.5:22, 2 Tim 2:21-22, Prov.31: 4-5, Rev 1:5-6, Gen 19:30-38.

20. ABSTAINANCE FROM FOUL LANGUAGE AND SWEARING.

All believers should not use foul language of any kind, be it abusive words, curses, blasphemies, black-mailing words, slangs or to swear. Our language should be

honest and truthful of either yes or no. Rom 12:14, Mat 5:34-35, James 5:12, James 3:1-4.

21. HOLY COMMUNION.

The coming together of the assembly of the Church to share bread and wine was a Christ ordained institution shortly before His death. He commanded us to gather together regularly to share the bread and wine in communion till He comes back again. Luke 22:17-20, Mat 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, I Cor. 10:16-21, Acts 2:42, 20:7, I Cor.11:23-30.

22. HOLY WEDLOCK AND MATRIMONY.

Marriage is honorable in all, desirable and God's ordained. It was the first living institution at Eden. All members who wish to marry should do so in the Church. They are not to copy the worldly way of drumming, dancing and drunkenness. Their wedding garment must not be worldly but be moderate and God's glorifying. Christian couples who were not properly married before their conversion should do corrective marriage blessing in the Church. All marriages should be done according to the rules and regulations of the Church. I Cor.7:30-31, Heb.13:4, I John 2:15-17, Rom 12:2, I Tim 6:6-6, Prov.15:16, Prov.16:8, Psalm 37:16, Heb.13:5.

23. ONE HUSBAND AND ONE WIFE.

As was the pattern at Eden, monogamy has been the divine order for the family. Divorce is allowed only when one of the partners has committed adultery. Even then none of the two should be married to a new partner while the other is alive. The crux of this is that God wants forgiveness for whatsoever wrong has been committed. Separation is allowed for a time until God intervenes when the life of a partner in the marriage is at the risk of danger or death from the hand of the other partner. Gen 2:1-end, Matt 5:31-32, 19:9, Mark 10:11-12, Luke 16:18, Rom 7:2-3, Malachi 2:13-16, Mat 19: 4-6, I Cor.7:15.

24. **DEDICATION OF CHILDREN.**

We believe that after a child is born, the child should be named on the eighth day either in the Church or anywhere agreed to by the officiating minister and the child's parents. Dedication of the child should then be as soon as it is practicable for the child's parents but not more than forty days after the birth of the child. I Sam 1:22, Luke 2:22-24, Mat 19:13-15, Lev 12:2-8.

25. GREAT COMMISSION

We are compelled to preach the gospel to every man and woman on earth and make them disciples of Jesus Christ. It is a debt we are to pay. It is the great mandate of our Lord Jesus Christ unto us. It is compulsory and a necessity. I Cor.9:16, Mark 16:15-16, Mark 28:19-20.

26. **PAYMENT OF DEBTS, DUES AND PLEDGES.**

- (A) All true Christians are to pay all their debts, dues and fulfill all pledges that they entered into or owe. The Bible teaches us not to owe any man whatsoever. Rom 13:7-8.
- (B) Christians must exercise caution and pray before entering into any monetary debt so as not to enslave themselves. Prov.22:7, Rom 13:7-8.
- (C) Christians must think and pray before making promises and pledges before God and man. Eccl 5:1-6, Prov. 11:15, Prov.6:1-3.
- (D) Christians must endeavor to keep all pledges of time and schedules before God and man. Eccl. 3:1-8, I Pet 1:5, Mat 5:37.

27. HONOUR TO PARENTS AND ELDERS

The Bible expressly commands us to obey our parents and honor the Elders. This obedience should be in deed and in words in so far the demand does not contradict the Bible. Every believer must make adequate provision for his/her parents or else such is worse than an infidel. Exo.20:12, Eph.6:1-3, Prov.15:5, 30:17, Prov. 23:22, Lev 19:32, I Tim 5:1.

28. HONOUR TO AUTHORITIES AND GOVERNMENTS

All Christians are to obey the laws of their country, they must obey the government at all levels and their authorities in so far that their demands of such orders does not contradict the Bible. I Pet 2:13-14, Romans 13:1-5.

29. <u>THE CHURCH OF GOD</u>

The assembly of believers is called the Church of God. These believers are true born again souls, sanctified and washed in the blood of Jesus Christ. They are also called the saints and the holy people of God. A true Church of God accepts Jesus Christ as her head. Whenever they gather together in a place, they feed on the word of God, worship God in truth and in spirit or share bread and wine in communion. Their major communion is to spread the gospel of Christ unto all nations. Eph. 1:22, Col 1:2, Acts 1:23, Phil 4:15, Acts 2:41-47, Matt 28:19, Mark 16:15-18.

30. <u>TITHES AND OFFERINGS</u>

We believe in the regular payment of tithes and offerings. It is God's will and command and a way of providing for the Ministers in the Church and other church employees. The offerings are used to cater for the needy and other needs of the Church. Tithes and offerings must be paid on every income. E.g. Salary, business profits, gifts, shares, inheritance etc. The tithes so collected are exclusively for the

welfare of the Ministers of the Church. Mal 3:8-12, Gen 14:19-20, Num. 18:20-21, Deut.26:12-13, Lev 27:30, Heb.7:2-5, I Cor.16:2, Mat 23:23.

31. FIRST FRUITS

We believe in giving willingly of our first fruits from our first income in the year. It is an acknowledgement of the fact that, our work and its benefits were His gift to us and in thankfulness for His bounty. The doctrine of first fruits for us is therefore divided into three:

- (A) First Fruit Offering: It is an act of allegiance to God as the giver of all. In this Church, we are commanded by the Holy Spirit to give forty percent of our first month income or business profit as the first fruit offering. This must be paid along with the tithes of the first month making a total of fifty-percent of the first month income. Exod.22:29, Neh.10:35-37, Neh.12:44, 2 Kings 4:42, Lev 23:10.
- (B) <u>First Fruit Sacrifice</u>: A willing gift of the entire first month income to God by a believer as an expression of faith, dependence, obligation and thanksgiving to God. The first fruit sacrifice is required for first labour/work of life, secondly of a new work and employment in a new place. Thirdly the dedication and redemption of the first born also comes under the first fruit sacrifice. Exodus. 34:20, Exo.22:29-31, Num.18:15, 6:22-27.
- (C) <u>First Fruit of Increase</u>: A willing and willful offering to the Lord of the difference between a former and present income. It is an acknowledgement of thanksgiving, faith and gratitude for the promotion and increase.Prov.3:9-10.

32. NO GARMENT OF WORSHIP

We do not believe in any special garment for worship and prayer. Every garment worn for worship is permissible in so far it is moderate in adornment, not allow indecent exposure, transparent or a see through, not tight to the body or worldly. Every true believer is clothed with the righteousness of Christ which is our white garment. It is freely given as a gift from God unto them that lived a victorious life. Most importantly, we are to put on love, which is of the bond of perfectness. I Tim 2:6-9, I Pet 3:1-6, Gen 35:1-4, Exod. 32:1-8, Rev 19:7-8, Col 3:13-14.

33. <u>CHURCH DISCIPLINE</u>

God is a God of order and if we are to be perfect as He is, we must be orderly in all things, whatever is not of the Bible should be ignored totally by all members. If any member disobey this,he/she may be disciplined privately. However, if any backslider would not admit discipline and restitute his/her way, such a person may be disciplined openly according to the word of God. In all cases, truth must be established by the witness of two or three. The purpose of this rebuke is to correct

and make other fear and desist from such. Mat 18:15-16, I Tim 5:20, I Cor. 5:1-3, 2 Cor.2:6-11, Heb.12:5-12, 1 Cor.5:4-8.

34. SUBMISSION TO CHURCH GOVERNMENT

The Bible teaches that we should obey our spiritual leaders and submit to them. Rebellion against Church Ministers is against the will and word of God. Those who did so against Moses did not escape unpunished. Heb.13:17, Joshua 1:16-18, Num. 12:1-10, Num.16:1-4, 32

35. THE LORD'S DAY

The Apostles laid the foundation for fellowship on the first day of the week which was called the Lord's day. It was the day Christ resurrected. We believe therefore, that the first day of the week called Sunday is that special day which every believer should separate as the Lord's day according to the Apostles tradition. Acts 20:7, 1 Cor.16:2, Rev 1:10, Mark 16:9

36. <u>WEARING OF JEWELRY, MAKE-UP AND HAIR ATTACHMENT IS</u> <u>FORBIDDEN</u>

We believe that what we wear sends a message of who we are and what we believe and how we live our lives. Therefore as true Christians, we should not wear jewelries, make up and all types of hair attachments or wigs. For God desires His children to mind their inner beauty in Him more than the external body decoration. The other reasons are to shun the worldly way of dressing, to humble ourselves in dressing, to never be a stumbling block to others and to refuse to be foolish in dressing. We ought to be true church compared to the woman of light and not the woman of the world as revealed in the book of Revelation. Rev 12:1, 17:1-5, I Pet 3:3-4, I John 2:15-16, Mat 23:12, Rom 14:16-21, James 5:3, I Tim 2:9, Gal 6-7-8, Isa 3:16-24, Ezekiel 7:19, Ezekiel 23:40, 2 Kings 9:30, Jeremiah 4:30.

37. <u>CHRISTIAN CONDUCT</u>

We believe in true Christian conduct which is characterized by holiness, trust and loving allegiance to Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave Himself for us. Trust in Jesus Christ is expressed by belief in the gospel and by participation in Jesus Christ's works of love. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ transforms the hearts of believers producing in them love, joy, peace, faithfulness, meekness, kindness, goodness, gentleness, self control, righteousness and truth in holy living. I John 3:16, 23-24, I John 4:20-21, 2 Cor. 5:15, Ephesians 2:10, Galatians 5:6, 22-23, Ephesians 5:9.

38. THE GOSPEL

We believe that the gospel is the good news of the kingdom of God and salvation by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ. It is the message that Christ died for our sins and has made us His own before and apart from our believing in Him and bound us to Himself by His love in such a way that He will never let us go. Therefore He calls on all humans to repent and believe in Him as Lord and Saviour and live in Holiness throughout their lives on Earth. I Cor.15:1-5, Col 2:13, I John 2:2, Romans 5:8, 18-21, John 3:16-18, Luke 24:46-48, Col 1:19-23, Acts 8:12, Matt 28:19-20, I Thess. 4:7.

39. <u>THE CHRISTIAN</u>

The Christian is any person who trusts in Jesus Christ. Christians experience new birth through the regeneration of the Holy Spirit, embrace their adoption as children of God, enter a right relationship with God and fellow humans by God's grace as they are empowered and led by the Holy Spirit. The Christian life is characterized by the fruit of the Holy Spirit in holy living. Rom 10:9-13, Galatians 2:20, John 3:5-7, Titus 3:5, Mark 8:34, John 1:12-13, 3:16-17, Rom 5:1, 8:9, 14-15, John 13:35, Gal 5: 22-23.

40. **PROPHESY IN THE CHURCH**

We believe that one of the ways God speaks to His people is through the medium of prophesy. Hence we believe that we can be given the gift of prophesy by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. The Bible instructed us not to despise prophesying, but then every prophesy that is against the Bible must be rejected outright. I Cor. 14:29, 1 Thess.5:20, Acts 13:1-3, 21:10-13.

41. THE DEAD IN CHRIST

We believe that a Christian who sleeps in the Lord is with Christ already. Therefore we should not join in the things of this world relating to worshipping and remembering the dead, observing a minute of silence for the dead and other customary rites of eighth and fortieth days by which we become idolaters. Burial of the dead in Christ therefore must be timely, moderate and without unnecessary delay. 2 Cor.5:1-4, I Thess.4:13-18, Deut.14:1, Lev.19:28, Eccl 9:5-10, Psalm 6:5, Job 7:9-10.

42. **<u>RESURRECTION</u>**

We believe that all wrong believers experience daily resurrection of their spirits but when we are passed from death to life, this body is dissolved and immediately we enter into our heavenly home or house not made with hands but eternal in heavens. There is also resurrection of the body and the Bible taught us clearly that the buried will be raised from the tomb at the latter day. Only holy people will be at the resurrection of the saints who belong to Jesus Christ when He appears. Rom 6:11, 2 Cor. 5:1-8, Acts 24:15, 1 Cor.15:22, Phil 3:21, Dan 12:2, Rev 20:4-5, John 5:20-29.

43. THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.

The Second Coming of Christ real and it will be in the physical form and will be visible to all in like manner as He was seen ascending to the Heaven. It is divided into two parts:

- (i) <u>Christ returns in the Sky</u>: The saints or the bride of Christ will be raptured to meet Christ in the sky. I Thess.4:15-17, I Cor.15:51-52, Mat 24:40-44, Mat 25-10
- (ii) <u>Christ returns to the Earth</u>: He will return to the earth to judge the sinners and the wicked. Rev 19:19-21, 1 Thess.4:16-17, Jude 1:14-15, Zech.14:3-4.

44. THE TRIBULATION PERIOD.

The time between His coming to rapture and receive the saints or His bride to heaven and His coming to administer judgment and reign will be the time of tribulation when the anti-Christ will reign. Mat 24:21, 29, Rev 9:1, Rev 13:16-18, Isaiah 26:20-21, Mark 13:19, Jeremiah 30:7, Dan 12:12, Mal 4:1.

45. <u>THE MILLENNIAL REIGN.</u>

The millennial reign of Christ is one thousand years of reign on Earth. After He appears on earth, He will set up His kingdom with the saints on for the one thousand years. His millennial reign will be entirely different from any kingdom that was ever set on earth. It will be full of Peace, Prosperity and Joy. Christ will be the only King in the worldwide kingdom. Rev 20:1-6, Rev 2:26-27, Isaiah 2:2-4, Isaiah 65:18-20, Micah 4:4, Isa 65:21-22, Daniel 7:13-14, 22, 27.

46. <u>THE LAST JUDGEMENTS.</u>

We believe that there would be five coming Judgements which are:

- (i) <u>The Judgement of believers:</u> It is the judgements of believers works which would start immediately the believers are raptured. They shall stand before Christ to receive their reward for works done on Earth. 2 Cor. 5:10, James 1:12, Rom 2:16, Gal 6:8, Eph.6:8, 1 Cor.3:12-15, 2 Tim 4:7-8, Rev 22:22-13.
- (ii) <u>The Judgement of Israel:</u> It will occur during the tribulation period and it will be a series of attacks and opposition to punish them for their rejection of the Messiah and make them willing to accept Him when He will come the second time to reign. Zech.12:10-13, Zech.14:1-15, Mat 24:15-31, Isa 16:1-5, Ezek. 20:33-35, Dan 11:40-42, 17, Hosea 3:4-5, Rev 12.
- (iii) <u>The Judgement of the nations:</u> This will be at a time when Jesus would have being reigning on earth in the millennium. Acts 12:31, Joel 3:2, 2 Thess.1:7-10, Rom 2:16, Rev 1:7, Mat 16:27, Joel 3:12-14.

- (iv) <u>The Judgement of the fallen angels</u>: After the earth has enjoyed the millennial reign of Christ, satan will be loosed from prison and will be judged; he and his host of angels that fell from the presence of God. Rev 20:7-9, 2 Pet 2:6, Jude 1:6.
- (v) <u>The Judgement of Unbelievers</u>: This is also called the white throne judgement of all dead unbelievers after the millennial reign of Christ. Rev 20:11-15, 2 Peter 3:7, Daniel 12:2.

47. <u>NEW EARTH AND NEW HEAVEN</u>

The Bible stated that after Judgement this wicked and sinful world will be removed and God will create a new heaven and a new earth in which holiness will reign forever. Mat 24:35, 2 Pet 3:12-13, Rev 21:1-3, Isa 65:17, Isaiah 66:22.

48. **SATAN IN PRISON**

During the millennial reign of Christ, satan will be chained in the bottomless pit and there will be peace and blessings on Earth. Isaiah 11:6-9, 65:25, Hosea 2:18, Zech.14:9-20, Isa 2:2-4, Rev 20:1-3.

49. ETERNAL LIFE AND ETERNAL PUNISHMENT

The Bible teaches us that there is in existence eternal punishment as well as eternal life. The wicked and the sinful will be tormented both day and night in the presence of the holy angels and the Lamb of God. This punishment is reserved for Satan and his demons and everyone that refuses Christ forever. Rev 14:10-11, Luke 16:24, Mark 9:43-44.