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**Day 1: An Eternal Lesson**

Review the video for this session.



**Engage**

Read [Luke 16:19–31](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Lk16.19-31).

**Consider**

In this story, Jesus introduced us to two very different men. One went through life with everything he needed, and one lived with suffering. Yet following their deaths, we see the outcomes very differently from how they lived life. We learn from this example to live a life that reflects Jesus and His values now.

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| **QUESTION**  When people suffer here on earth, does it mean that God doesn’t love them or care for them? |

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| **QUESTION**  Based on this passage, do you think miracles alone are enough to cause someone to believe in Jesus? |

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| **QUESTION**  How do we learn the values Jesus wants us to live by? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  How are we to prepare ourself for God’s judgment? |

**Activate**

Ask for the Holy Spirit to reveal any sinful attitudes, thoughts, or desires that are in the way of you receiving eternal life.

**Pray**

Jesus, I believe You died on the Cross. I ask You to forgive all my sins—those I know about and those I’m unaware of. Please forgive me even for failing to do the things that I should have done. Help me to live every day for You and be ready for Your return. In Your name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 2: It Matters**

**Engage**

Read [1 Thessalonians 4:13–18](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Th4.13-18); [5:1–11](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Th5.1-11).

**Consider**

A final judgment is coming where all people will stand before Jesus to be judged. Although it may be a scary topic to explore, if you believe in Jesus and have accepted Him as your Savior, then you have the hope of eternal life and reward.

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| **QUESTION**  According to the Scripture reading, what will happen to living and dead believers when Jesus returns? |

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| **QUESTION**  Where will those who follow Jesus spend eternity? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  How are you encouraging others with these words of hope? |

**Activate**

Encourage as many people as you can today by reminding them of the life Jesus has either given them or is offering.

**Pray**

Jesus, I believe in You! I believe that You died on the Cross for my sins. And upon my acceptance and belief, I am considered righteous because of Your sacrifice. I want to spend eternity with You. Help me to live every day on mission for You in preparation for Your return. In Your name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 3: The Ultimate Judge**

**Engage**

Read [John 5:16–30](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Jn5.16-30).

**Consider**

The Father has given all authority to Jesus, the Son, to judge the living and the dead. By this authority, upon the return of Jesus, those who have believed in Him will live with Him for all eternity. Those who do not believe and have continued to do evil will experience judgment.

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| **QUESTION**  According to verse [22](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Jn5.22), who has authority to judge? |

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| **QUESTION**  How can we be assured of eternal life? |

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| **QUESTION**  Who experiences eternal life, and who experiences judgment? |

**Reflect**

Doing good does not earn us eternal life. Doing good is a result of believing in Jesus and living out His truth. We show our faith in Him by doing good works. Our heavenly reward comes as we do good for others.

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| **QUESTION**  How are you currently doing good? |

**Activate**

Put your faith into action by doing something good for a family member today.

**Pray**

Jesus, I acknowledge that the Father gave You absolute authority to judge all. I know all Your judgments are just because You carry out the will of the Father. Upon Your judgment, those who listen, believe, and do good will have eternal life. Help me to surrender to You, serve You, and live a life that pleases You. In Your name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 4: Now or Later?**

**Engage**

Read [Mark 9:38–50](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Mk9.38-50).

**Consider**

Whether a Christian or not, everyone has sinned. How we deal with that sin on earth will echo into eternity. Jesus’ dramatic illustration for how we should deal with sin should lead us to living so that it doesn’t affect our eternal destination.

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| **QUESTION**  If something causes you to sin, what should you do with it, according to this passage? |

It’s very important to know that Jesus wasn’t saying we should actually cut off our hand, foot, or eye. He was stating that we should be serious about cutting things out of our life that lead us to sin.

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  Would you say you are serious about how you deal with sin? |

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| **QUESTION**  If not, what do you need to do to be more serious when dealing with sin in your life? |

**Activate**

At the end of the verses you read, Jesus used fire and salt in an illustration. Both represent purification, being rid of sinfulness, and perseverance, staying committed to avoiding sin.

Spend some time in prayer asking God what parts of your life need increased purification or may need perseverance as future trials come your way.

**Pray**

Jesus, I bring my sin before You. I confess that I have sinned and ask that You forgive me. Because of Your sacrifice on the Cross, I trust that I am reconciled back to You and assured of my eternal destination. Thank You! In Your name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 5: It’s Final**

**Engage**

Final Judgment is coming for all humanity, from beginning to end. Those who have rejected Jesus will stand before God’s throne, and the Book of Life will be opened. As you read these verses today, allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you about your life. Will your name be found in the book?

Read [Revelation 20:1–15](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Re20.1-15).

**Consider**

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| **QUESTION**  How are people judged at the Final Judgment? |

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| **QUESTION**  Based on verse [12](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Re20.12), what will those at this judgment be judged according to? |

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| **QUESTION**  What happens to those whose name is not found in the Book of Life? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  What are your thoughts regarding the Final Judgment? |

This is a hard chapter to read. We will each make our own decision about where we will spend eternity. Take a minute to consider and reflect on all that you have read in the Bible this week. Will you spend eternity with God or separated from Him?

**Activate**

Ask the Holy Spirit to allow the reality of the Final Judgment to motivate you in your walk with God.

**Pray**

Father God, I understand that everyone will be judged. We will all have to give an account for the life we have lived on earth. I want to spend eternity with You and find my name written in the Book of Life. Help me to stay on the path that leads to this. I need Your help. Please forgive me of my sins and stay in my life. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.