



Training for Reigning

Eternity with Christ



Will Heaven Be
Boring?



Finding a Theological Solution

Outline



THE PROBLEM



THE THEOLOGICAL
REASONING



THE SOLUTION

Keeping in Context

- 1 Corinthians 5 – Addresses sexual immorality in the Church
- 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 – Will Continue to address sexual immorality, and sin in general
- 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 – Talks about Judgment and lawsuits in the Church
- Dealing with sin in the local church



The Problem

Judgement

“For what have I to do with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? But those who are outside God judges. Therefore “put away from yourselves the evil person.””

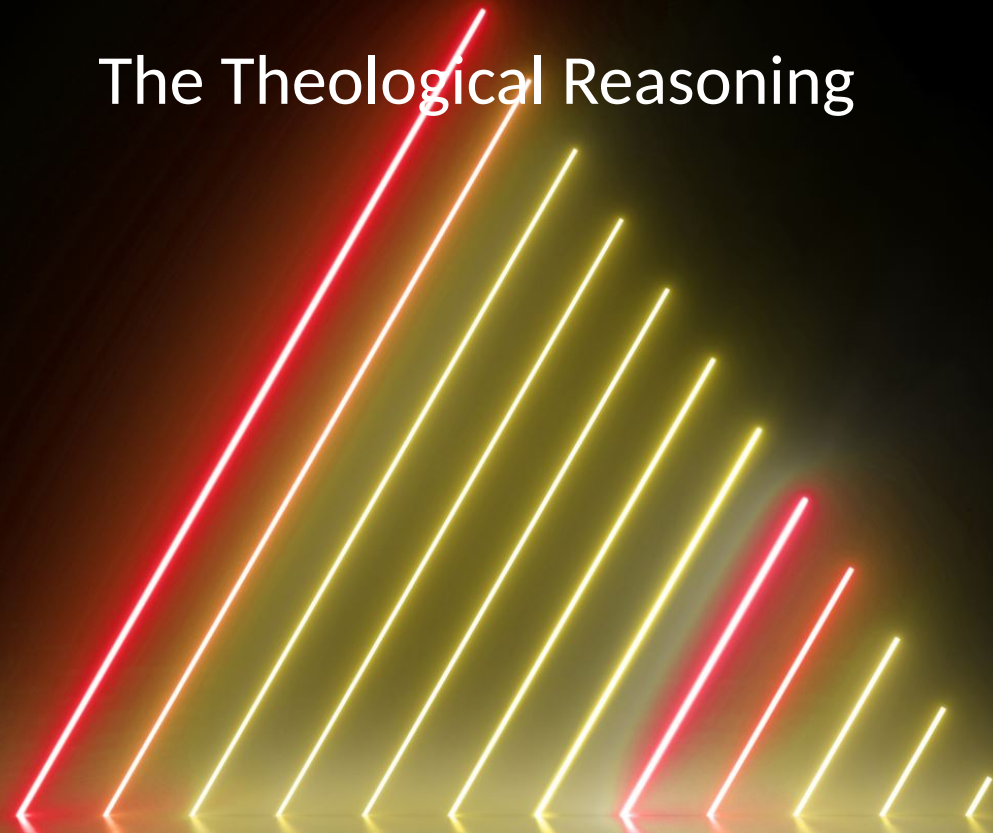
(1 Corinthians 5:12–13 [NKJV](#))

Going before the courts...

“Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints?” 1 Corinthians 6:1

“I say this to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you, not even one, who will be able to judge between his brethren?” 1 Corinthians 6:5

The Theological Reasoning

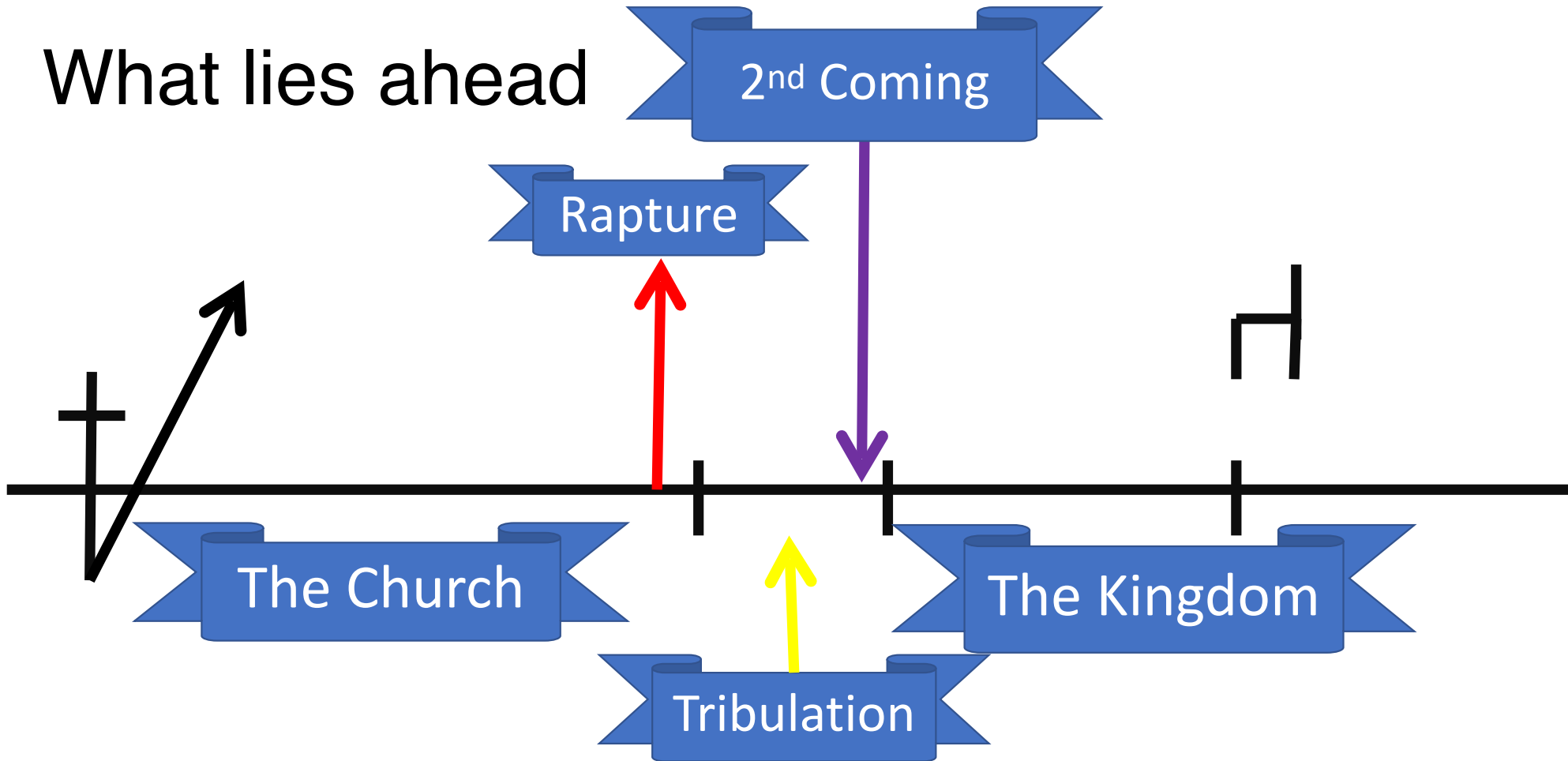


The saints will judge the world

“Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life?”
1 Corinthians 6:2–3



What lies ahead



Judging the World

- Revelation 5:10; Revelation 20:4-6; Daniel 7:27; 1 Corinthians 6:1-3; 2 Timothy 2:12; Hebrews 2:8; 1 Peter 2:9





Hebrews 2:8

“You have put all things in subjection under his feet.” For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him.”



Daniel 7:27

“Then the kingdom and dominion, And the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, Shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, And all dominions shall serve and obey Him.”

Revelation 5:8-10

Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll,
And to open its seals;
For You were slain,
And have redeemed us to God by Your
blood
Out of every tribe and tongue and people
and nation,
10 And have made us kings and priests to
our God;
And we shall reign on the earth.”



Revelation 20:4-6

“And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”



2 Timothy 2:12

“This is a faithful saying:
For if we died with Him,
We shall also live with Him.

If we endure,
We shall also reign with
Him.

If we deny Him,
He also will deny us.

If we are faithless,
He remains faithful;
He cannot deny Himself.”



1 Peter 2:9

“But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.”

Judging the World



- Revelation 5:10; Revelation 20:4-6; Daniel 7:27; 1 Corinthians 6:1-3; 2 Timothy 2:12; Hebrews 2:8; 1 Peter 2:9
- Every saint will rule and reign with Jesus Christ
- We will have responsibilities over various areas of responsibility
- We are being prepared now for that work
- We are also told that we will judge the angels
 - Fallen Angels (Demons) will persist in the Messianic Kingdom
 - Angels will assist in our task of ruling and reigning with Christ
 - “Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?” (Hebrews 1:14 NKJV)



Theological Challenges

“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.”

1 Corinthians 6:9–11 NKJV

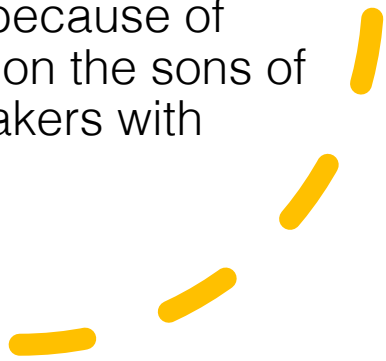
Similar Passages

“Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

(Galatians 5:19–21 [NKJV](#))

“For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them.”

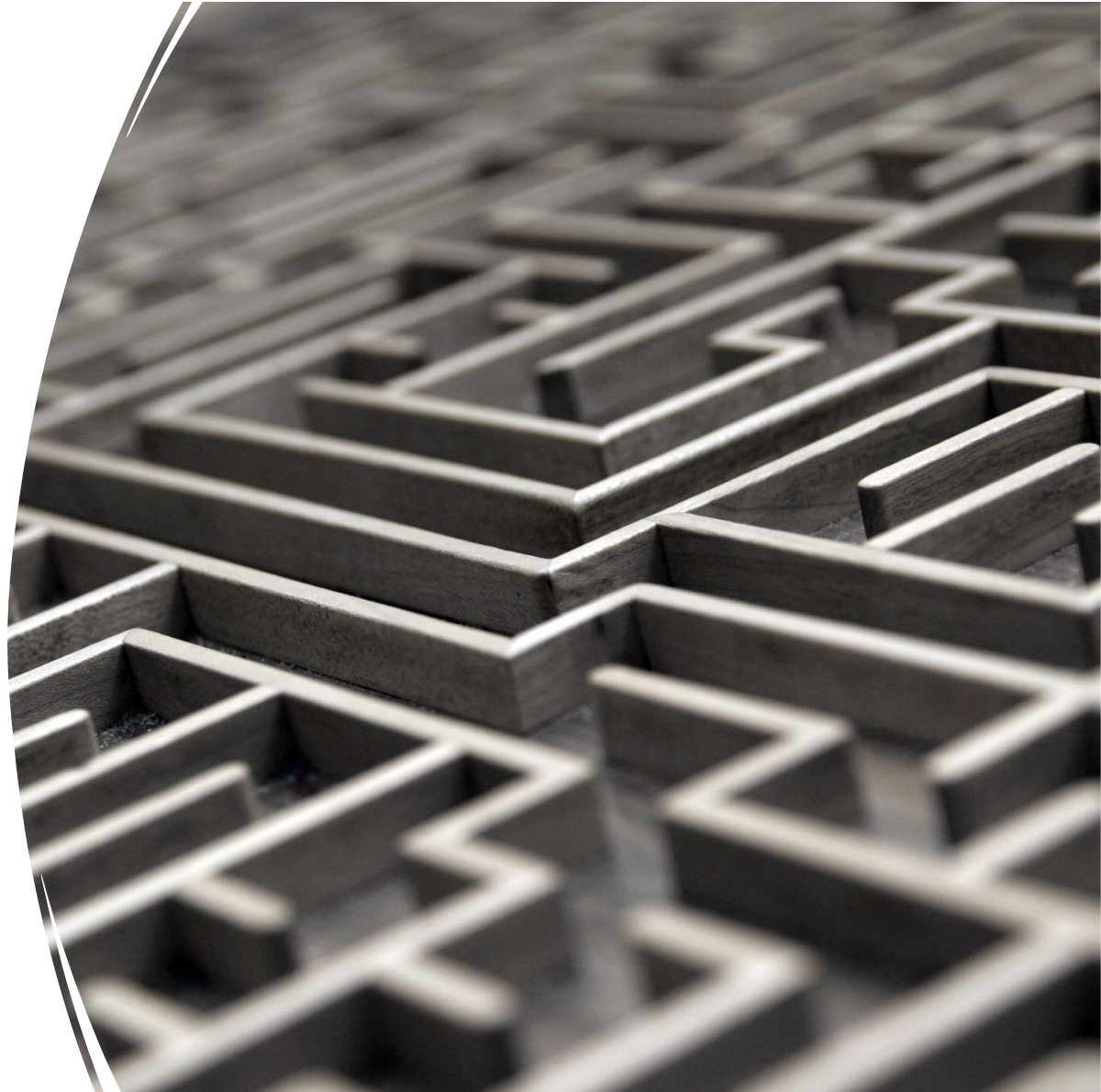
(Ephesians 5:5–7 [NKJV](#))





The System Solutions

Other Proposed Resolutions



What the Passage Actually Says

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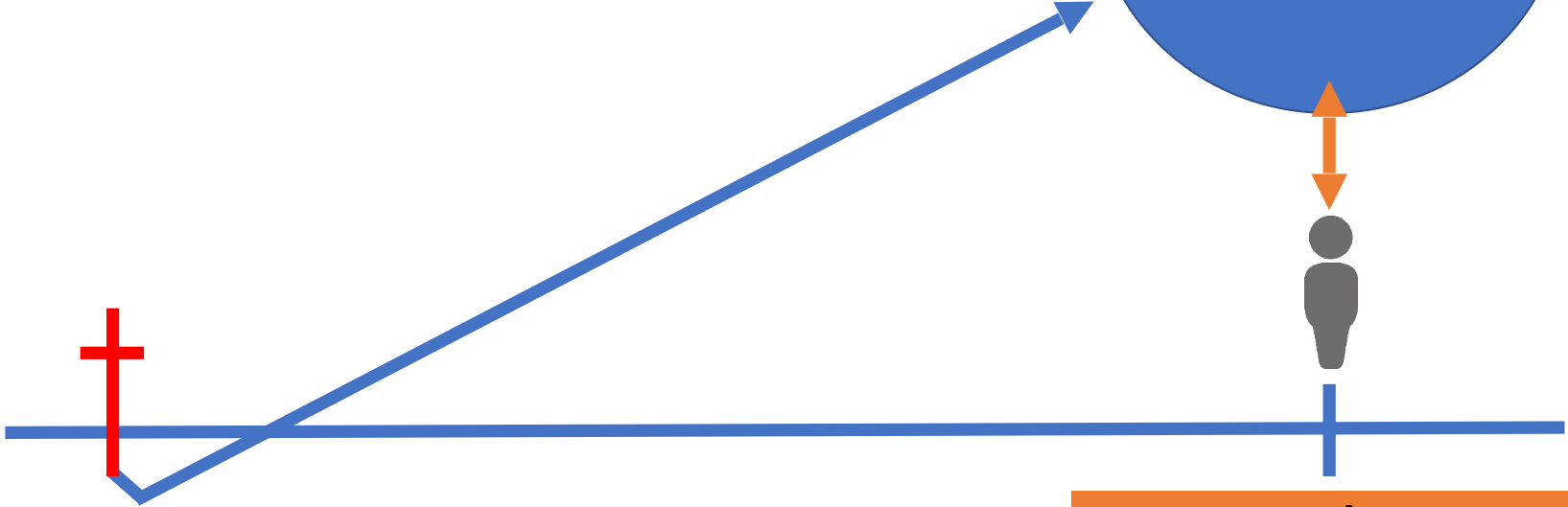
but you were sanctified,

but you were justified

in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.”

1 Corinthians 6:11

Our Position
in Christ



Our Daily
Condition

Psalm 2

“Then He shall speak to them in His wrath,
And distress them in His deep displeasure:
“Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion.”

“I will declare the decree:
The LORD has said to Me, ‘You are My Son,
Today I have begotten You.
Ask of Me, and I will give You
The nations for Your inheritance,
And the ends of the earth for Your possession.
You shall break them with a rod of iron;
You shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.’ ”

Now therefore, be wise, O kings;
Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear,
And rejoice with trembling.
Kiss the Son, lest He be angry,

And you perish in the way,
When His wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.” (Psalm 2:5–12 [NKJV](#))

Isaiah 2:1-4

“The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD’S house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it. Many people shall come and say, “Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore. (Isaiah 2:1–4 [NKJV](#))

“For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.” (Isaiah 9:6–7 [NKJV](#))

Isaiah 11:5-10

“Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

“The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play by the cobra’s hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper’s den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea. “And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people; For the Gentiles shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious.””



Conclusion

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