

there's one judgment." That would be the likely thing that it would mean, that it would all happen at once, but then people come along and they say, "No, as I read these statements of Christ and as I read various statements in the Book of Acts, various statements in some of the epistles, it seems to me that it suggests very strongly that when the rapture of the Church takes place and the righteous dead are raised, the wicked dead are not raised at that time, but that the resurrection of the wicked dead is a separate event from the other, that there are two resurrections instead of one. Now", he says, "It looks to me as if that is the way it is going to happen, from the way He speaks of the resurrection of the righteous, the resurrection of the wicked and of the judgment of the righteous, not a judgment for salvation, that has already occurred, but as a judgment of the righteous, of the saved ones, by their works, for their rewards, and then He speaks of the judgment of the wicked as a judgment for salvation, a judgment of sins, for destruction!" and so we say, "These seem to be not one judgment but two judgments. They seem to be not one resurrection but two resurrections." Well, the Old Testament nowhere explicitly says they are. The gospels don't explicitly say they are. The Acts and the Epistles don't explicitly say they are. Therefore they will say, "That is all wrong. There is one resurrection, there is one judgment!" but then John writes the Book of Revelation, and when he writes the Book of Revelation he writes the twentieth chapter of Revelation and he puts these things in the ^{ir}order there which we have ^{no clear}proof of anywhere else in the Scripture, as to their order. Many of us think that if we didn't have Revelation at all, that from the rest of the Scripture we would have very strong evidence to suggest that the resurrection of the righteous and the resurrection of the wicked are two different events, the judgment of the righteous and the judgment of the wicked are two different events, and that these events might happen near the same time but also might happen at different times, but then Revelation tells us they are separated by a thousand years, that there is a big gap between them,