

## **THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE**

One theme of the Book of Hebrews is the superiority of the New Covenant over the Old Covenant. One must ask,

“Why would any New Covenant grace believer put himself under the bondage of the Law?”

One reason was persecution for their Christian faith. Because of persecution, many Jewish New Covenant believers abandon New Covenant grace teaching to return to the bondage of the Law works system (Heb.10:32-39).

Therefore, the writer of Hebrews spaced five warnings through-out the Book of Hebrews against it. We are currently studying the fourth warning. (Heb.10:25-39)

This lesson will focus on another question, “What will be the fate of those Jewish New Covenant grace believes who return to Old Covenant law-works system.” LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>This lesson will study <u>five aspects</u> of the Lord Will Judge His People by the Fifth Cycle of divine discipline (Lev.26; Deut.28).</b></p>
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### **1. We divided the context of Heb.10:25-39 into two general sections for study.**

- First section (Heb.10:25-31) “Terrifying Expectation of Judgment (27, 31).”
- Second section (Heb.10:32-39) “Great conflict of Suffering (32, 39).”

Then we divided Heb.10:25-31 into two studies.

- First study (Heb.10:25-27) The Danger of Sinning Willfully
- Second study (Heb.10:28-31) The Lord Will Judge His People

### **2. The Book of Hebrews was written about 64AD as a warning to Jewish believers in Israel.**

The Jewish New Covenant believers who returned to the Law have placed themselves and their families in great danger of the Fifth Cycle of Divine Discipline for murdering God’s Son.

Jesus taught on this very subject in the **parable of Tenants** (Matt.21:33-46)

- Jesus asked; What will He do to those tenants?
- They answered; “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and will rent the vineyard to **other vine-growers** who will pay him the proceeds at the proper season.” (**Matt.21:41**)

### **God’s Warning to Jewish New Covenant believers:**

(Acts 8:1) “And on that day a **great persecution** began against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.” (Acts 8:1, 4 and 8)

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### **3. Our lesson title is a quote from the Song of Moses, written just before Moses’ death.**

(Deut.32:35-36) ‘Vengeance is Mine, and retribution, in due time their foot will slip; For the day of their calamity is near, And the impending things are hastening upon them.’ “For the LORD will vindicate His

people, and will have compassion on His servants, When He sees that *their* strength is gone, and there is none *remaining*, bond or free.

(Heb.10:30) “For we know Him who said, ‘Vengeance is Mine, I will repay.’ And again, ‘**The Lord will Judge His people.**’”

As a pastor-teacher and farm-boy, I like an opening line of the Song of Moses. “Let my teaching fall like the rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants.” (Deut.32:2)

**The Song of Moses had many warnings to the priest-nation of Israel. Let me mention one,**

(Deut.32:15) “But Jeshurun (upright Israel) grew fat and kicked – You are grown fat, thick, and sleek – Then he forsook God who made him and scorned the Rock of his salvation.”

**When you scorn the sacrificial offering of God’s only begotten Son, you get in big trouble with God, the Father**

(Heb.10:29a) “Trampled underfoot the Son of God and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant.”

**The Key warning of Moses to Jewish believers in the Song of Moses was “Lord Will Judge His People.”**

#### **4. Following the Song of Moses, Moses warned them again,**

(Deut.32:46-47) “Take to your heart **all the words** which I am warning you today, which you shall command your sons to observe carefully, even **all the words** of this law. For it is **not an idle word** for you; indeed, **it is your life.** And **by this word** you will **prolong your days** in the land, which you are about to cross the Jordan to possess.”

**John’s warning:**

(John 1:11-13) “He (Jesus Christ) came to His own, **and those who were His own did not receive Him.** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to **those who believe in His name**, who were born, not of blood nor of will of flesh nor of the will of man, **but of God.**” (Heb.9:26) [The consummation of the ages]

**Peter’s warning:**

(Acts 2:36) “Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that **God has made Him both Lord and Christ – this Jesus whom you crucified.**” (Acts 3:14-15).

#### **5. Moses was warning the priest-nation of Israel about the Five Cycles of Divine Discipline (Deut.28; Lev.26).**

If they abandon God and reject the Rock of their salvation, they will suffer the Fifth Cycle (Deut.32:15; Deut.28:32-68) Lord will Judge His People.

The 5<sup>th</sup> cycle will be worse than anyone could imagine, even those who study the Fifth Cycle from the Word of God! (Deut.28:52-57)

**In about 6 years** from the Book of Hebrews, they will go through the 5<sup>th</sup> cycle unless they flee as missionaries to become the “other vine-growers.” (Matt.21:41)

In 70 Ad, Rome brought the 5<sup>th</sup> cycle upon priest-nation of Israel as **LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE.**

- This biblical background is important to all five warnings in Book of Hebrews.