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INT: When American historians record the religious thought of the 1970s they will record at least 6 basic ideas.
1. For many, SPIRITUAL values were of little importance.
2. To the masses MATERIAL things meant everything.
3. Millions lived as though they would live FOREVER.
4. Few considered any future life ELSEWHERE.
5. Man in his extreme-humanism felt RESPONSIBLE to no higher power than himself. (He was his own god!)
6. Few made any realistic PREPARATION to face God which they will...

I. AT JUDGMENT, MAN WILL HAVE NO EXCUSE FOR HIS UNPREPAREDNESS
   B. New Testament preserved to guide us to God. 1st Tim. 2:15.
   C. Church, God's pillar and ground of truth. 1 Tim. 3:15

II. PURPOSE OF THE NEW TESTAMENT: TO TELL IT LIKE IT WILL BE!!

A. FIRST SCENE: ASSEMBLY OF ALL SOULS OF ALL TIMES.
1. Every EYE will see Jesus. Rev. 1:7.
2. Every EAR will hear His voice. John 5:28-29.
3. Every BODY will be changed. 1st Cor. 15:50-53.
4. Every SOUL will appear. 2nd Cor. 5:10-11.

A MOST REVEALING AND INTERESTING OCCASION:
Friends will meet in sweet reunion. Long Adam and Eve see Abel again for the first time. Likewise, David and Jonathan will love the reunion. Hannah will be with her Samuel, after giving to Lord.

Enemies will meet amid great embarrassment: So Sorry! Joseph will face Potiphar and his seductive wife. John Baptist face Herod, Herodias and Salome (?). Elijah will face King Ahab and Queen Jezebel.

Stephen will face the Jer. mob who murdered him. Paul will face his persecutors and Caesar-beheaded.

B. SECOND SCENE: JUDGE OF JUDGES TAKE HIS BENCH.
3. Each soul, one by one, bow in worship. Phil. 2:9-11.

C. THIRD SCENE: THE JUDGE WILL OPEN HEAVEN'S RECORD BOOKS.
2. The record you and I will face is in my Hand. John 12:48. Look at it. 1st Tim. 5:25-16.
3. Each personal-living-record will be compared to the written & preserved record. Rev. 20:12 & 15.
4. When faced with the evidence, all will worship and honor God's fairness. Rev. 19:2.

D. SCENE FOUR: RECORDS WILL SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. JUDGE WILL MERELY SPEAK THE JUST SENTENCE.
1. The Lost will learn WHY! Matt. 7:21-23.
   A SERIOUS NOTICE: No second chance. No appeals. No rebuttals. No relief. NO MERCY!!
   Justice!

E. FIFTH SCENE: LAST OFFICIAL ACT OF JESUS: SEPARATE THE SAVED FROM THE LOST.
1. Matt. 24:36-42. Sad and final farewells!

2. SWEETHEARTS: Had their last date! Given last kiss.
   Never—see one another again. Why? One lost!
3. MATES: Spent their last day together—forever!
   Never even see each other again—final. One lost.
   To the saved, it will be as though the lost mate never was! To be forgotten, Memory erased!

4. PARENTS? Why bring children into existence if didn't plan to be with them forever? Greater life is the after-life! Jesus can take only the saved.
   Parents, who neglected their souls, not going with Jesus, now the children.

5. CHILDREN: Reared by sincere Christian parents who did their best, tried hard. Children delayed—delayed—put it off. There came a time when it was too LATE! Parents taken to glory.
   Children left behind. Failures forever!

INV: THIS STUDY IN THE BIBLE TELLS US FIVE VITAL TRUTHS.
1. A Judgment Day is as Sure as today is Real.
2. What the Judgment Scene will look like in detail.
   As in: Judge—Books—Veil—Separation.
3. Every man, woman, boy and girl will meet Jesus there.
4. Each of US will get exactly what we deserve in that day.
5. NOW...right now! is the time to prepare to meet our God.
   If you aren't ready, now is the time to get ready.
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INT: All human beings are students of Eschatology; things.

I. SCENE OF THE GREAT ASSEMBLY. Kings stand by slaves.
   No social, racial, political or financial difference.

II. SCENE OF THE GREAT JUDGE. (Judge of Judges)
1. Rev. 22:12. And behold I come quickly... (young preacher)

III. SCENE OF THE GREAT BOOKS.

IV. SCENE OF THE GREAT VERDICT.
2. Some observations about the great verdicts given:
   a. Verdict is final and accurate. Based on books.
   b. There is no appeal, no Second Chance.
   c. All present will admit its goodness. Rev. 19:1-2

V. SCENE OF THE GREAT SEPARATION.
   a. Time when sweethearts bid final farewell, one a Christian, the other one lost.
   b. Time when stubborn children will wave a final goodbye to parents who did their best.
   c. Time when neglectful husbands will see beloved wives for last time.
   d. Time when overly-proud parents will regret failure to listen to Christian children.

INV: II Cor. 6:2 tells the time to get ready. Now!

Mark 16:15-16 tells way to get ready! Now!

Note: Philosophy, science, art, history, English, math, psychology, psychiatry, engineering, politics, medicine, law, anthropology, etc. -- Bible.