

I. Escaping The Wrath of God

Summary: Escaping the wrath of God is a good thing! Will we Christians, those who have surrendered our life to Jesus, be around for the wrath of God?

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1. Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief; for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober. For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at night. But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation. For **God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ**, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him. Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing. - 1 Thess 5:1-11 NASU

- We do not walk in darkness where the wrath of God abides
- We are not destined for wrath.
- The first Adam predestined us for the wrath of God.
- The Last Adam predestined us for salvation.

2. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, **we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him** - Romans 5:8-9 NASU

- How are we justified?
 - By our actions?
 - By our intentions?
 - By our abilities?
 - By our willingness to change?
- By His blood only
 - We are saved from the wrath of God

3. Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that **the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience**, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. But now you also, put them all aside: anger, **wrath**, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth. - Colossians 3:5-8 NASU

- Consider!
 - Dead to immorality
 - Impurity
 - Passions
 - Evil Desires
 - Greed
 - Amounts to idolatry
- Put aside
 - Anger

- Wrath
- Malice
- Slander
- Abusive speech