Diagram of Death

Place of departed before the ascension of Christ

Illustrated by different destinies of two thieves crucified with Jesus
Luke 23:39-43
Acts 2:31
1 Peter 3:18-19

New Paradise
With Christ (Throne of God)
2 Corinthians 12:2-4

Ephesians 4:8-10
Jesus ascended and took captivity captive

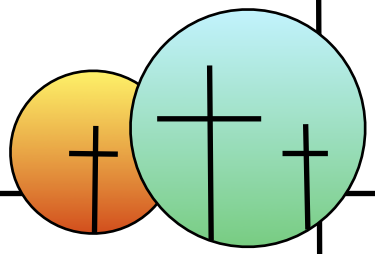
Body goes to grave
Spirit goes to heaven
Philippians 3:20-21

Place of departed after the ascension of Christ

In NT souls of departed saints go directly into the presence of God in the third heaven
Philippians 1:23
2 Corinthians 5:6-8
Hebrews 12:22-23
Revelation 6:9-11

Christians are judged and rewarded in Christ's kingdom, based on work performed on earth
1 Corinthians 3:11-15
Saints do not partake of any final judgment for sin
Romans 8:1

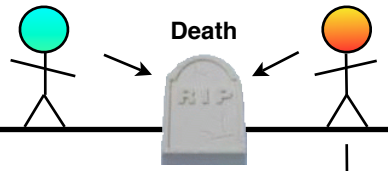
The Judgement Seat of Christ



Righteous

Wicked

Saints alive at 2nd advent of Christ



1000 Year Reign of Christ

Time Line

Transformed at Christ's appearing
1 Corinthians 15:51-52
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Grave
kever (OT - Heb)
mneema (NT - Gk)
Distinct from sheol and hades. Body sees corruption

Body goes to grave
Spirit goes to torment

The Great White Throne Judgment

Hades emptied of it's inhabitants for the Great White Throne Judgement and cast into the lake of fire, the eternal judgement of the wicked
Revelation 20:13-15

Three Levels of Sheol (OT) or Hades (NT)

1. Paradise (Abraham's Bosom)
Luke 16:22 + 23:43

Great Gulf - Luke 16:26

2. Torments - Luke 16:22-23 + 2 Peter 2:9
Temporary intermediate state where the wicked are kept in continual punishment until final judgement

3. Tartarus 2 Peter 2:4 + Jude 6
Pit of darkness where group of fallen angles await final judgement

Revelation 21:8

Sheol (OT - Heb) or Hades (NT - Gk) are equivalent terms that mean the Underworld or Netherworld.
The place that disembodied souls/spirits go

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