graceWORKS! GOING DEEPER The Papou Study Bible is a daily study provided by me to



help folks explore the depth and joy of the "conneXion" life of God. It's my personal study, and is not intended as a doctrinal statement or statement of any church or denomination or congregation. It's also my belief that "grace" works, and the servant of God should always want to go deeper. Multitasking as usual, I'm also calling this the "Papou Study Bible." I'm writing it as if I were speaking to my girls who love me and any descendant they have that love their Papou too. And to anyone who wants to consider me a spiritual Dad or "Papou." I want them to be able to study the Bible with Papou (grandpa in Greek) after I'm gone---and if they don't, I'll haunt them. The Scriptures say it's noble to "search the Scriptures daily" to verify truth like the ancient Bereans did (Acts 17:11). My folks came from Berea. My incredible Dad (and your grandfather and great grandfather, guys), Vasil Charles Valekis taught me to do this like he did---every day until I die. He taught me and everyone I know to go to church no matter what and to put God first. While Mama (Maria Pagona Stratakis Valekis) never really did this, she made sure we listened to Daddy on this one. She would have hit us with a

spatula or frying pan or worse if we didn't. This is a simple sharing my "daily search." And I'd like to think it is a continuation of God's life through my Dad through me. Both my "Dads" by the way. And a way to honor him, mama and our loving "Dad"---God. And for all of us to be together, in Spirit, even when we I join them in heaven. I like to use the Blue Letter literal, very "visual," Greek translation a lot to help "visualize" these truths



the beautiful way Greek enables you to view. And I like to share this with folks serving in an elder capacity, or any capacity, to grow them, challenge them, and stretch them. But especially share it with anyone I've ever brought to Christ and family members who truly love me. And when you study these, I'll make sure to connect with you from heaven. *Ever an orthodox Greek, Jim Valekis*

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Colossians 1:27 (King James Version)

²⁷To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is *Christ in you*, the hope of glory

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Nahum 1 Part 5²

God is a God of love. But His love includes "judgment."
We're studying "judgment" as it's talked about in the New
Testament to set the context for this continued study.
Yesterday, we went through all the Gospels, in which
Jesus spoke several times about the judgment!
In fact, in one place, He said Nineveh would do better in
the judgment than the Pharisees that even began speaking
against the words of the Holy Spirit. We'll look at
references to judgment in the rest of the NT. Enjoy!

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1. Acts 24:25

As Paul talked about righteousness, self-control and the **judgment** to come, Felix was afraid and said, "That's enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you."

Something Paul said made Felix nervous. It doesn't sound to me like the "judgment to come" is just an acknowledgment that all sin has been paid for on Christ. I think there will be a real judgment that we'll have to answer to.

2. Romans 2:3

So when you, a mere human being, pass **judgment** on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's **judgment**?

God is patient, but God's patience is not to be misconstrued to be a lack of intent to judge.

3. Romans 2:5

But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous **judgment** will be revealed.

Notice the explanation added in the following verses.

⁶ God "will repay each person according to what they have done."

Psalm 62:12	Proverbs 24:12
and with you, Lord, is unfailing	¹² If you say, "But we knew nothing
love";	about this," does not he who
and, "You reward everyone	weighs the heart perceive it?
according to what they have done."	Does not he who guards your life know
	it?
	Will he not repay everyone according
	to what they have done?
Matthew 16:27	
²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and	

²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

That seems to line up with the rest of the Book of Romans.

⁷ To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. ⁸ But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. ⁹ There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; ¹⁰ but glory, honor and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. ¹¹ For God does not show favoritism.

4. Romans 13:2

Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring **judgment** on themselves.

5. Romans 14:10

You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's **judgment** seat.

I like the NIV Study Bible here. It says "all Christians will be judged, and the judgment will be based on works.

2 Corinthians 5:10	1 Corinthians 3:10-15
¹⁰ For we must all appear before the	¹⁰ By the grace God has given me, I laid
judgment seat of Christ, so that each of	a foundation as a wise builder, and
us may receive what is due us for the	someone else is building on it. But
things done while in the body, whether	each one should build with
good or bad.	care. 11 For no one can lay any
	foundation other than the one already
	laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 If anyone
	builds on this foundation using gold,
	silver, costly stones, wood, hay or
	straw, ¹³ their work will be shown for
	what it is, because the Day will bring it
	to light. It will be revealed with fire, and
	the fire will test the quality of each
	person's work. ¹⁴ If what has been built
	survives, the builder will receive a
	reward. ¹⁵ If it is burned up, the builder

will suffer loss but yet will be saved—
even though only as one escaping
through the flames.

6. **1 Timothy 5:24**

The sins of some are obvious, reaching the place of **judgment** ahead of them; the sins of others trail behind them.

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7. **Hebrews 6:2**

instruction about cleansing rites, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal **judgment**.

The NIV Study Bible says this refers to "the fact of God's judgment" or the verdict which determines "eternal" judgment.

8. Hebrews 9:27

Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face **judgment**, ²⁸ so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Ok. I'll stop here for today, and try to look up resources that talk specifically about these last two verses.