

The Character of God – The Names of God– Our Father/Our Judge

God is who His Word says He is.

God is not a merciless judge, but "our judge" who is in our favor. And though the Bible makes clear that He will not leave the guilty unpunished, He is our judge who will protect our rights before the cross in Calvary.

Deuteronomy 32:4

He is loving, kind, and merciful and He is also righteous, holy, and just. "The Rock, His work is perfect, for all His ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is He."

Psalm 136:1

God is good, and His mercy endures forever.



Before we go any further, let me make one thing perfectly clear: For the world to have a God of love, this God must also be the God who judges men for their sins. Scripture is quite clear; God is love, to be sure.....

John 3:16 NKJV

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

1 John 4:8-11 NKJV

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.

Romans 5:8 NKJV

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Ephesians 2:4-5 NKJV

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)

1. *The passage speaks of God's eternal love and good-will towards his creatures, which is the fountain from which all his mercies flow to us*
2. *Every converted sinner is a saved sinner, delivered from sin and wrath*².

.....and He is also a judge.

Genesis 18:25 NKJV

Far be it from You to do such a thing as this, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous should be as the wicked; far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

Isaiah 33:22 NKJV

"For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us."

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 NKJV

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

Revelation 20:11-12 NKJV

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life.

The Good News is that we are washed in the Blood of Jesus and are perfect before the Father robed in His Righteousness.

Romans 5:9 NKJV

Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Jesus paid the Judgement for our sin!

