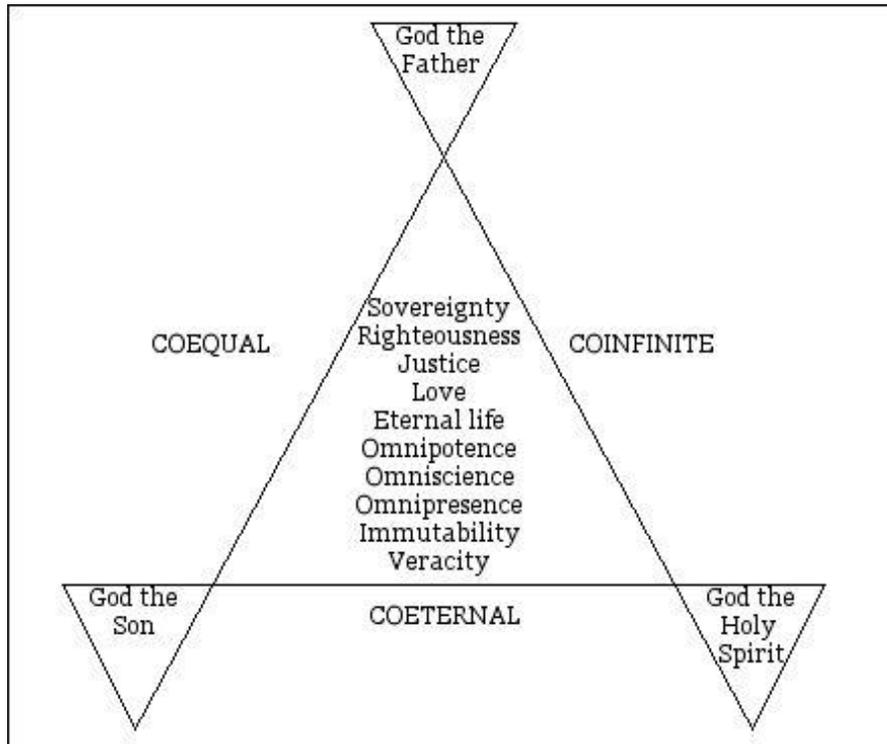


Doctrine of the Supreme Court of Heaven

1. The Supreme Court of Heaven makes for an excellent teaching aid.

1.1 The Supreme Court of Heaven consists of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.



1.2 Cases are filed by believers only; they are filed directly to the Father in the name of the Son in the power of the Holy Spirit.

1.3 Just as lawyers today must be specially qualified and licensed to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court, only believers can file petitions before the Supreme Court of Heaven.

2. Prayer is the mechanism for filing.

2.1 God has exclusive venue for all matters touching the family of God. Heb 10:30 and Deu 32:35.

Heb 10:30 For we know him who said, "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," and again, "The Lord will judge his people."

Heb 10:31 It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Deu 32:35 It is mine to avenge; I will repay. In due time their foot will slip; their day of disaster is near and their doom rushes upon them."

3. The exclusivity of the venue cannot be overemphasized. Mat 7:1-2.

Mat 7:1 "Do not judge, or you too will be judged.

Mat 7:2 For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

3.1 Just as the appropriate venues for causes of action are codified in the law so also has God given us in His word where it states unequivocally that all judgment has been reserved for the Son.

3.2 Just as there is a "ton" of case and statutory law relating to "venue conflict" there are many anecdotes and a great deal of instruction in Scripture as to how God's judgment works. And this includes judgment in time Heb 12:6, judgment at the Bema 1Co 3:11-15 and judgment at the Great White Throne. Rev 20:1-15

Heb 12:6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1Co 3:12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

1Co 3:13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

1Co 3:14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

1Co 3:15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

Rev 20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

Rev 20:14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

4. The Supreme Court of Heaven absolutely needs no help and the penalty for meddling is significant and traumatic.

Rom 2:3 And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?

5. No one gets away with anything therefore we are to bring our case to the Lord and leave the matter at His feet. Gal 6:7

Gal 6:7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

Rom 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

6. Justice then is God's business and His decisions are always fair and compatible with His Essence.

Psa 86:5 You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to you.

Psa 7:9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.

Psa 11:7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright.

7. The doors of the Supreme Court of Heaven are always open, 365 days a year, 24 hours a day; God is always ready to judge things like:

7.1 Evil in the world. Hos 8:7

Hos 8:7 For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

7.2 Sinfulness and injustice in human affairs. Psa 55:22

Psa 55:22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

7.3 Rise and fall of nations. Dan 2:35; Zec 1:18-21

Dan 2:31 "What you saw, O King, was this: there before you stood a great statue. This great image was awesome in brightness; its colorful appearance signified several future glamorous empires and its form was terrifying, but a symbol of the great power of the empires to come.

Dan 2:32 The golden head represents you, O King, as ruler of Babylon. The breast and arms of silver represents the kingdom of the Medes and the Persians to follow, and the belly and thighs of bronze represents a Grecian Empire that will supplant the Medo-Persians.

Dan 2:33 The legs of the image were made of iron, representing a future Roman Empire, and the feet were made of both iron and clay, representing an even more distant and powerful Revived Roman Empire with ten supporting nations.

Dan 2:34 Then you saw a large uncut stone rolling down a steep grade; it struck the base of the image, and the iron and clay were smashed into many pieces. The stone represents Jesus Christ at His Second Advent.

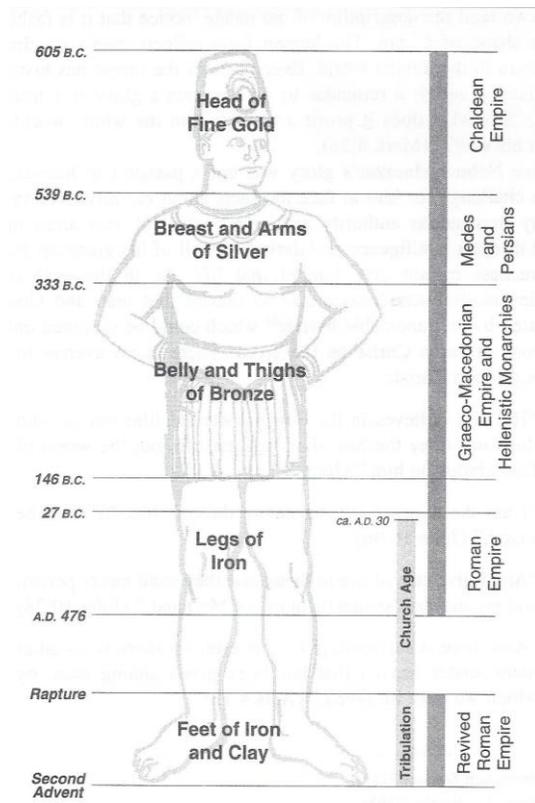
Dan 2:35 As a result of the Stone striking the image, the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold were broken into pieces, and a great wind blew them away. Not a trace of the shards could be found: and the Stone became a great mountain and filled the entire earth. His rulership was recognized by all the nations of the world.

Dan 2:36 “Now, my King, with reference to what you dreamed, I shall provide further interpretation.

Dan 2:37 You, Nebuchadnezzar, are unique, for the God of the universe has given you a remarkable kingdom; a kingdom of glamour and military power.

Dan 2:38 God has given you authority over the entire earth; yes, O King, you are the head of gold.

Dan 2:39 But after you shall rise an inferior kingdom consisting of the Medes and Persians. In short order, the Persians shall dominate the Medes, and after the Persian Empire shall arise a Greco-Macedonian kingdom, led by a remarkable young man named Alexander the Great.



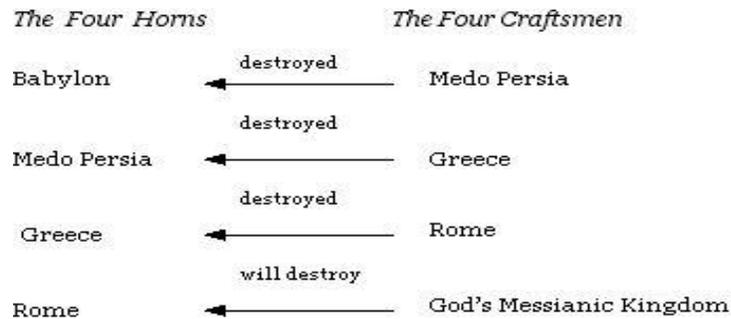
NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S IMAGE

Zec 1:18 Then I looked up -- and there before me were **four horns!**

Zec 1:19 I asked the angel who was speaking to me, "What are these?" He answered me, "These are the horns that scattered Judah, Israel and Jerusalem."

Zec 1:20 Then the LORD showed me four craftsmen.

Zec 1:21 I asked, "What are these coming to do?" He answered, "These are the horns that scattered Judah so that no one could raise his head, but the **craftsmen** have come to terrify them and throw down these horns of the nations who lifted up their horns against the land of Judah to scatter its people."



7.4 Anti-Semitism, both national and personal. Gen 12:3

Gen 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

7.5 Conflicts among believers. 1Co 4:1-5; 6:1-8

1Co 4:1 Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.

1Co 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

1Co 4:3 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

1Co 4:4 For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.

1Co 4:5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

1Co 6:1 Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?

1Co 6:2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

1Co 6:3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

1Co 6:4 If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.

1Co 6:5 I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?

1Co 6:6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.

1Co 6:7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?

1Co 6:8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that your brethren.

7.6 Satanic accusations against Israel and believers. Zec 3:1-5; Job 2:1-5; Rev 12:9-10

Zec 3:1 And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

Zec 3:2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

Zec 3:3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

Zec 3:4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

Zec 3:5 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.

Job 2:1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.

Job 2:2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

Job 2:3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

Job 2:4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

Job 2:5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

Rev 12:9 The great dragon was hurled down--that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

Rev 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

7.7 Child abuse is a special subject of judgment. Mat 18:5-10

Mat 18:5 And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

Mat 18:6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

Mat 18:7 Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offense cometh!

Mat 18:8 Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

Mat 18:9 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

Mat 18:10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

8. Conclusion

8.1 All time line and eschatological judgment has been reserved to God the Son.

Joh 5:22; 27 and Psa 2:2-9

Joh 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

Joh 5:27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

Joh 5:28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

Psa 2:2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,

Psa 2:3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Psa 2:4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

Psa 2:5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

Psa 2:6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. . .

Psa 2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Psa 2:9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

8.2 We must faith rest and leave things in the hands of the Lord.

8.3 If you judge, complain and despise God's plan for your life; then you have chosen the venue of pain and sorrow. Heb 12:5-6; Job 5:17-18; Pro 3:11; Heb 11:6

Heb 12:5 And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

Heb 12:6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

Job 5:17 Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty:

Job 5:18 For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

Pro 3:11 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:

Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

8.4 God will judge and we like David must trust God's judgment. Psa 55:22

Psa 55:22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.