

## THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE

LUKE 10:20 “do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in Heaven”

Question: Where are our names recorded?

- 1) Does the Bible speak of more than one book of life?
- 2) What is written in it (them) – names, events, what?
- 3) When were the above (names, events) written in it?
- 4) Are names or events blotted out of the book?

Passages which, when taken out of context, present a problem for us:

- 1) Lamb's book of life Rev. 13:8-9 with Rev 3:5 (removing their lampstand)
- 2) How about Ex. 32:32-33 “I will blot him out of my book” (note vs35)

Take a look at the Bible as a whole. Is there an answer!

I There is more than one Divine book – Dan 7:9-10(books were open);  
Rev. 20:12(books were open and another book – minimum of 3)

II. The O.T. passages refer to 2 or more books.

The N.T. passages refer to 3 or more books.

The “Lamb's book of life” is not found in the O.T.

III. The Passages: Lets look at them!

Ex. 32:33-35

- 1) Moses said – don't remove your people from the earth, remove me.
- 2) God said – he who has sinned will be removed.  
Vs. 35 – they are removed.

Ps. 69:22-28

Book of Life – book of covenant blessings (belonging to the Nation of Israel). Names are removed from the People of God. Blotted out!  
(Similar to – if a brother sins – put him out, if he continues – sin unto death) 1 John 5:16-17; 1Cor11:27-30

Isa. 4:3-5

Recorded for life in the millennium.

Dan. 12:1

Book – book of life

God has pre-determined who shall live and when – decreed all things.

Ezk. 13:9 “the register of the house of Israel”

Note: The above would include 2 books:

- 1) Listing of those who enjoyed a covenant relationship with God in Israel.
- 2) Listing of their “works” which affected their continuation in that relationship (while on earth)

Overview of O.T. terminology:

Ex. 32:32 Your book

Ex. 32:33 My book

Ps. 69:28 Book of Life (living) KJV

Isa. 4:3 Recorded for life

Ezk. 13:9 The register of the house of Israel

Dan. 12:1 The book

N.T. passages:

Lk. 10:20 Why rejoice if it can be removed

Phil. 4:3

Heb. 12:23 Who are enrolled in heaven (before the foundation of the earth)

Rev. 3:5 Who is the overcomer 1 John 5:4-5  
Rev. 2:11

Overcomer is another name for a christian  
believer  
born again

Rev. 13:8

17:8

20:12

20:15

21:27

**Conclusion:**

- 1) Works, being a part of a God's created body, names, continuation of life, these are all recorded in books.
- 2) As to the Lamb's book – Rev. 17:8  
Eph. 1:4
- 3) The revelation concerning the Lamb's book did not come until after Christ.
- 3) A believer's name is never said to be blotted out of the Lamb's book of life.

SIN drives us to look in fear at many of the above passages. The answer for SIN is found in 1Jn1:5-2:2. The answer for our eternal security is found in Rom 8:31-39.

**THANKS BE TO GOD THAT OUR ETERNAL SALVATION DOES NOT REST ON OUR ABILITY TO CONTINUE, BUT ON HIS ABILITY TO SAVE!**