**Two Relationships and Five Paths of Life**

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[These are excerpts with some wording changes and additions, but not context!]

**Two Relationships**

As a way of introducing the five paths of life, one must have an understanding of *two relationships.*

The first is the relationship between the “law of God,” and the *lost* person. The second is between the “commandments of Christ” and the *saved* person.

The first relationship says *“do* and have eternal life,” whereas, the second relationship says *“do* and have millennial life.”

The first relationship says if you fail to keep the law of God, you will suffer forever in the lake of fire, whereas, the second relationship says if you fail to keep the commandments of Christ, you will suffer loss for a millennium in “outer darkness” and possibly “the blackness of darkness.”

**Five Paths of Life**

By understanding the two relationships, one can see five paths of life and understand where each leads.

The *first* path leads to the *Lake of Fire*. *All* those who *are* *alive to the law* of God, when they *physically die, will go there*.

The *second* leads to *everlasting life*. This is given to *all* who *have* *died through the law* while *living in this life*.

The *third* leads into the *kingdom of heaven*. This privilege will be given to *all* who *die through the law, become alive to Christ* and *keep His commandments*.

The *fourth* path leads to “the outer darkness.” This is a place of obscurity *outside* of the kingdom for *all* who *die through the law, then fail to become alive to Christ* and *keep His commandments*. Its duration will be for one thousand years.

The *fifth* path leads to “Gehenna” and the “blackness of darkness” *forever* (Gr. “aion” meaning age, i.e. millennial age). This is the most gloomy of all places. It is reserved for *apostates*. That is, those who *after they died through the law, turned against the Word* and become *enemies* of God.

[Bible One - Gary Whipple's Beyond the Rapture](http://www.bibleone.net/BeyondtheRapture.pdf), Chapter 10.