

ARE YOU INSURED AGAINST "JUDGMENT" AND "THE SECOND DEATH?"

RECENTLY on leaving a street car a person, to whom I had handed a gospel magazine, handed me a paper in return. It was nicely got up in small newspaper form. On looking over it I found that, whilst it contained stories, anecdotes, &c., it had been issued by a leading life insurance company, and its real object was the advertising of the said company, and also trying to induce people to insure their lives, by sundry specious arguments with which most are pretty familiar, so I will not repeat them here. My thoughts, however, took a different channel from that contemplated by the person who had handed me the paper, or who had compiled it. I thought of how man can speak of the uncertainty of life, and how death may invade a family at any time, &c., and use these arguments to try and persuade people to insure their lives, and bring before them the merits of the company of which they are agents. But what is it all at best? Merely a question of this life, or, at farthest, death. But there they stop. But, dear reader, let us go a little further. What, after that?

The word of God tells us that "it is appointed unto men once to die, but *after this* THE JUDGMENT." (Heb. ix., 27.) It also tells us that there is a "*second death.*" (Rev. ii., 11; xx., 6-14.) The last verse quoted tells us that "the second death is the lake of fire." Now I will ask you, in true love for your soul

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