

## I'm glad you asked: What is the Book of Life?

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I'm going to let the Scriptures speak for themselves on this one. Here you go...

### Text

"But now, please forgive their sin – but if not, then blot me out of the of the book you have written.' The Lord replied to Moses, 'Whoever has sinned against me **I will blot out of my book.**'" Gen. 32:33

"Charge them with crime upon crime; do not let them share in your salvation. **May they be blotted out of the book of life** and not be listed with the righteous." Psalm 69:29

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people – **everyone whose name is found written in the book** – will be delivered." Daniel 12:1

"Yes, and I ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, **whose names are in the book of life.**" Philippians 4:3

"He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. **I will never blot out his name from the book of life**, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels." Revelation 3:5

"All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast – **all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb** that was slain from the creation of the world." Revelation 13:8

"The inhabitants of the earth, **whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world** will be astonished when they see the beast because he once was, now is not, and yet will come." Revelation 17:8

"And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. **Another book was opened, which is the book of life.** The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the Books...**If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life**, he was thrown into the lake of fire." Revelation 20: 12 – 15

"Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but **only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.**" Revelation 21:27

### Context

Moses pleading God's forgiveness for Israel.

David crying for justice for "those who hate me..." "my brothers..."

Promise to Daniel, re: deliverance of his people from tribulation in the last days.

Paul, acknowledging his fellow workers.

Words of promise to faithful believers in Sardis

The excepted few who do not worship the Beast.

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Great White Throne Judgment.

Entrance into the New Jerusalem.

### Conclusions:

1. There is a "book of life" variously referred to as "my book" (i.e. God's), "the book", "the book belonging to the Lamb" or the "Lamb's book of life".
2. Names are written, from the creation of the world, in this book.
3. Names are blotted out from this book.
4. Only those whose names are found in this book, at the time of judgment, are saved.