

The Last Day

All occurrences of this phrase in the NT are found in the Book of John.

Comments are in italics. All references are from the ESV.

Jn. 6:39 "And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day."

Father's will is for Christ to lose nothing given Him by the Father and that it is Jesus who will raise it (note, not him) up on the last day.

Jn. 6:40 "For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Father's will is that every person who sees the Son and puts trust in the Son shall have eternal life and that it is Jesus who will raise him up on the last day.

Jn. 6:44 "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day."

The ability to come to Jesus is the Father dragging (drawing) them to Him, and that it is Jesus who will raise him up on the last day.

Jn. 6:54 "Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Those who take the initiative to consume Jesus' flesh and blood Jesus will raise whoever up on the last day.

Jn. 11:24 "Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.'"

This raising up again is defined by Martha as the resurrection and that it occurs on the last day.

Jn. 12:48 "The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day."

Note: people can reject Jesus. People can refuse to receive Jesus words. It is His very words they have rejected that will judge (separate, distinguish, then select, prefer) them on the last day, which is now understood as the day of judgement which is the day of the resurrection.

Special note...

John 12:32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

The draw word used here is the same drag word used in 6:44. Jesus, once lifted up, will drag all people to Himself.