

The Christians Reward & Crowns

1st Corinthians 3:10-15

Matthew 6:19-21

Scripture speaks of Rewards & Crowns for our good works = "gold silver & precious stones" This is a reward for Faith and faithfulness.

Jesus told us to lay up treasures in heaven, for great was our reward in Heaven.

How do you lay up treasures in Heaven and become "rich towards God?"

Note: How does the idea of "rewards" fit in with the doctrine of Grace Salvation. See **Ephesians 2:8-9; or Titus 3:5**

What is the difference if any between works for salvation and works that bring rewards and crowns?

I. The Bible speaks of many Crowns that will be awarded on "that day"

1. THE CROWN OF *LIFE* = faithfulness in trials. James 1:2-3, 12
This is the Martyrs crown, the enduring saint's reward.
2. THE CROWN OF *RIGHTEOUSNESS* = for those who are faithful to their calling and who love His appearing. **2nd Tim. 4:7-8**
3. THE CROWN OF *GLORY* = for shepherding. See 1st Peter 5:2-4
Notice who awards this crown and to whom it is given.
4. THE CROWN OF *REJOICING* = for soul winning. 1st Thes. 2: 19-20, Phil. 4:1

John 14:1, 2 = Jesus tells us he has gone before us in Heaven to prepare our crowns and rewards. God wants to reward His children; He is prepared to do so.

Warning: 1st Corinthians 3:10-15 also contains a sober warning. There awaits a "testing fire" for every child of God. See **2nd Corinthians 5:10** =the Judgment Seat of Christ