

## Stewardship & Rewards: A biblical mindset about rewards

### Rewards: Bible 101

- I. **Principle # 1: While our faith determines our eternal destination, our behavior determines our eternal rewards.**

Salvation	Rewards
Past (1 John 3:2)	Future (Rev. 22:12)
Free (Eph. 2:8-9)	Earned (1Cor. 3:8)
Cant be lost (John 10:28-29)	Can be lost (2 John 1:8)
Same for all Christians (Romans 3:22)	Differ among Christians (1 Cor. 3:12-15)
For those who believe (John 3:16)	For those who work (1 Cor. 9:27)

- II. **Principle # 2: God offers us rewards that are eternal, imperishable and inexhaustible**

a. Psalm 90:17

- III. **Principle # 3: We will have eternal positions/rulership**

- a. Christians will reign with Christ over the world (2 Tim. 2:12, Rev. 20:6)
- b. Christians will rule over angels (1 Cor. 6:3)
- c. Christians will be in charge of "...many things" (Matt. 25:21-23)
- d. Christians will be rulers over towns and cities (Luke 19:17-24)
- e. Christians will be rulers over nations (Rev. 2:26-28)
- f. Christians will sit with Christ on His throne (Rev. 3:21)

- IV. **Principle # 4: We will have eternal possessions/treasures**

- a. The **crown of life** for faithfulness in persecution (James 1:12, Rev. 2:10)
- b. The **incorruptible crown** for determination, discipline and victory (1 Cor. 9:24-25)
- c. The **crown of rejoicing** for evangelism and discipleship (1 Thess. 2:19, Phil. 4:1)
- d. The **crown of glory** for faithful servant leadership (1 Peter 5:1-4)
- e. The **crown of righteousness** for preparing to meet Christ at His return (2 Tim. 4:6-8)