

REWARDS AND THE KINGDOM

1 Corinthians 3:13-15

INTRODUCTION:

1. Review of our Spiritual Gifts:

a) **Serving Gifts**

- 1) **Helps or service** - This is the ability to provide practical help for the Gospel ministry.
- 2) **Teaching** - This gift enable one explain God's truth clearly.
- 3) **Exhortation** - the ability to admonish, encourage, comfort, cheer, and to challenge people on to God's will.
- 4) **Giving** - The ability to make and give large amounts of money.
- 5) **Leadership/Administration** - The ability to organize, promote and lead in major projects.
- 6) **Mercy** - The ability to work with the sick and afflicted.
- 7) **Evangelism** - the ability to communicate the Gospel in an extraordinary way.
- 8) **Pastor/Teacher** - As pastor to provide spiritual care for his people.
- 9) **Utterance of Knowledge** - To understand Bible doctrine and teach it with great detail. To formulate and organize it.
- 10) **Wisdom** - it is the ability to apply Biblical truth to meet the needs of others.
- 11) **Discerning of spirits** - The ability to distinguish between demonic and divine works.

2. Believers are subject to 3 Judgments:

a) **First** - As sinners we were judged @ the Cross in the Person of Jesus Christ.

1) *1 Peter 2:24*

2) *2 Corinthians 5:21*

b) **Secondly** - As God's children we are now subject to His parental Correction.

1) *1 Corinthians 11:26-32*

c) **Thirdly** - As the Lord's slaves we will answer to Him for how we lived the Christian life.

1) *2 Corinthians 5:9-10* WOW!!!!

2) *Colossians 3:23-25*

3) *1 Corinthians 3:8-15*

4) *1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

I. THE THEME OF THE BIBLE

A. THE KING AND THE KINGDOM

1. **In the Old Testament God Raised up a people (Israel) to establish the Kingdom.**
2. **God then sent Jesus to establish the kingdom, but Israel rejected and crucified their King.**
3. **Today Christ is building a Spiritual Kingdom, embracing all who are saved.**
4. **In the future God will establish Christ's Messianic earthly, physical, political Kingdom.**

B. PROPHECIES OF CHRIST'S EARTHLY KINGDOM

1. **Isaiah 9:6-7; 11:1-9**
2. **Isaiah 42:1-7; 49:1-9; 52:13-53; 61:1-2**
3. **Revelation 20:1-7**

C. CHRIST'S OFFER OF THE KINGDOM

1. **Matthew 21:1-9**

D. THE GUARANTEE OF THE KINGDOM

1. **Genesis 12:1-3**
2. **Genesis 15:3-21**
3. **Genesis 22:15-18**

II. THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

A. THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

1. **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**
2. **1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

B. THE APPRAISAL OF THE SAINTS

1. The Judgment Seat of Christ in no way relates to Salvation!!
 - a) *John 3:36*
 - b) *John 5:24*

2. A full accounting of our inner Character and Motivation.
 - a) *Romans 14:8-12*
 - 1) The use of our **TIME**
 - 2) The use of our **TREASURE**
 - 3) The use of our **TALENTS**

 - b) *2 Corinthians 5:6-10*
 - 1) We will answer to King Jesus for how we used our bodies.
 - a. *1 Corinthians 6:12-20*

C. THE RECEIVING OF REWARDS

1. *1 Corinthians 3:1-15*
2. *2 Corinthians 5:6-10*

III. CHRIST'S COMING EARTHLY KINGDOM

A. CITIZENS OF THE KINGDOM

1. Tribulation survivors will replenish the earth.
 - a) *Ezekiel 36:10-11; 47:22*
 - b) *Jeremiah 30:18-20*
 - c) *Isaiah 65:20-25*

2. Church Age Saints with Rule and Reign with Christ
 - a) *Revelation 19:11-21*

B. ADMINISTRATION OF THE KINGDOM

1. King Jesus will rule
 - a) *Daniel 7:13-14*
 - b) *Luke 1:32*

2. The Apostles will have authority over the 12 tribes of Israel.

3. Paul will be Governor over the Gentile nations.
 - a) *Romans 15:15-16*

4. And **believers from this Church Age** will Rule and Reign with Christ

a) *Revelation 2:26-27, 20:4*

b) *Revelation 5:9-10*

5. Right now Jesus is building a **spiritual Kingdom**.

6. In the future King Jesus will establish His **earthly, political Kingdom**.

YOUR TAKE AWAY: (3 Things)

1. All believers of this Church Age **WILL** appear @ The Judgment Seat of Christ

2. All believers will be awarded according to how he or she lived on earth.

3. Only work of **ABIDING** nature will survive and be rewarded.

a) *1 Corinthians 3:13-15*