

“Don’t Lose Your Reward!” - Matthew 6:19-21

Salvation is a FREE GIFT to all who would receive the Lord Jesus as their Savior. (Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 6:23) Once saved, believers will be rewarded for their faithful service to Him over their lifetime. But many believers will be in for a surprise in the Next Life, when they are judged for what they have done with their life.

WRONG Assumptions about Rewards:

1. “It _____ how I live.” **2 Cor. 5:10**
2. “As long as _____ that’s all that matters.” **Eph. 2:10**
3. “I can’t _____ rewards.” **1 Cor. 3:12-15**
4. “I’ve been a _____, therefore....” **Is. 64:6**

Jesus’ specific command about rewards: Matthew 6:19-21

1. Don’t fall into the trap of _____ and living for yourself. **V.19**
2. The stuff of this life is all _____ in a few short years. **V.19**
3. Rather _____ to invest in Eternity. **V.20**
4. Your _____ will follow whatever you invest in. **V.21**
5. He is coming back to reward His _____ for what they have _____ . **Rev. 22:12, Matthew 25:14-30**

(How could I) **Lay up treasures in Heaven:**

Reasons Believers lose rewards:

1. _____ – **2 Sam. 11** – David/the cost of a single night.
2. _____ – **Matthew 6:1-2** - Pharisees
3. Anger & _____. **2 Chron. 16:10-12** - Asa
4. _____ stupidity. **1 Kings 11:1,4** - Solomon
5. _____. **Heb. 12:16** – Esau & Judas
6. _____. **2 Chron. 26:16** - Uzziah
7. Saying _____ to Him because of _____. **Mt. 25:24-25**
8. Failing to use your _____ for Him. **Mt. 25:25**
9. A dwindling _____. **2 Chron. 12:14** - Rehoboam

Pastor’s charge: 2 Timothy 4:1 (What really matters.)

1. Build your life around the _____. **V.2-4**
2. Stay spiritually alert (_____ life) because you are in _____. **V.5**
3. Get _____. **V.5**
4. Get _____ into heaven. **V.5 “work of”**

5. Fulfill _____ ministry. **V.5**
 - _____ of service matters.
 - No such thing as _____.
6. Your time to serve is _____. **"My departure" V.6**
7. _____ in the fight. **V.7**
8. Finish your _____. **V.7** _____ matters.
9. You will be rewarded at the _____ of Christ
(maybe prior to the Millennium). **V. 8 "Crown" - 2 Cor. 5:10**
10. Don't ever quit like _____. **V.10**
11. If you do, come back like _____. **V.11 (John Mark) Acts 15:39**
12. It is very serious to _____ God's Work. **V.14-15**
13. Be a _____ in Heaven by impacting others for Eternity! **V.19-21**

1 Corinthians 15:58 – "Therefore my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding the work in the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."