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REWARDS

1-ACCORDING TO WHAT WE DID,

WE SHALL RECEIVE REWARDS OR SUFFER LOSS OF REWARDS

Jesus receives the reward of the "precious fruit of the earth," the saints. It is written, BEHOLD, THE HUSBANDMAN WAITETH FOR THE PRECIOUS FRUIT OF THE EARTH, AND HATH LONG PATIENCE FOR IT, UNTIL HE RECEIVE THE EARLY AND LATTER RAIN-Ja 5:7.

According to what the saints do, they shall receive or lose rewards. It is written, I THE LORD SEARCH THE HEART, I TRY THE REINS, EVEN TO GIVE EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO HIS WAYS, AND ACCORDING TO THE FRUIT OF HIS DOINGS-Jere 17:10. God searches the *heart*; then, according to our *ways* and the fruit of our *doings*, we shall receive rewards.

TAKE HEED THEREFORE HOW YE HEAR: FOR WHOSOEVER HATH, TO HIM SHALL BE GIVEN-Lk 8:18. Each person is given a certain number of talents. Some will be good and faithful servants and will multiply what has been given to them. At the judgment, they will be rewarded according to what they have.

For EVERY MAN'S WORK SHALL BE MADE MANIFEST (or shown for what it is-NIV): FOR THE DAY SHALL DECLARE IT, BECAUSE IT SHALL BE REVEALED BY FIRE; AND THE FIRE SHALL TRY (or test) EVERY MAN'S WORK OF WHAT SORT IT IS (or will test the quality of each man's work-NIV). IF ANY MAN'S WORK ABIDE (or survives) WHICH HE HATH BUILT THEREUPON, HE SHALL RECEIVE A REWARD. IF ANY MAN'S WORK SHALL BE BURNED, HE SHALL *SUFFER LOSS*: BUT HE HIMSELF SHALL BE SAVED; YET SO AS BY FIRE (but only as one escaping through the flames-NIV)-1 Cor 3:13-15. What a waste, as some shall suffer a loss of rewards for eternity. Consider, there will be people at the judgment who will find that so much of what they did was of the flesh and not of God. It was of the world and not the Spirit. They shall have the great joy of being with Jesus forever; nevertheless, the rewards they might have had for eternity were lost as much of their works did not stand the test of fire.

Therefore, take heed, FOR HE THAT SOWETH TO HIS FLESH SHALL OF THE FLESH REAP CORRUPTION; BUT HE THAT SOWETH TO THE SPIRIT SHALL OF THE SPIRIT REAP LIFE EVERLASTING-Gal 6:8. Also, as already noted, EVERY IDLE WORD THAT MEN SHALL SPEAK, THEY SHALL GIVE ACCOUNT THEREOF IN THE DAY OF JUDGMENT-Mt 12:36.

For it is written, AND HE SAID UNTO THEM, TAKE HEED WHAT YE *HEAR*: WITH WHAT MEASURE YE METE (or use) (what you hear), IT SHALL BE MEASURED TO YOU (and even more); AND UNTO YOU THAT *HEAR* SHALL MORE BE GIVEN. FOR HE THAT HATH, TO HIM SHALL BE GIVEN: AND HE THAT HATH NOT, *FROM HIM SHALL BE TAKEN EVEN THAT WHICH HE HATH*-Mk 4:24,25. WHOSOEVER HATH NOT, FROM HIM SHALL BE *TAKEN EVEN THAT WHICH HE SEEMETH TO HAVE*-Lk 8:18. Again, we note there will be a gain for some, but a loss for others. Beware of what you hear: for according to the amount you use (or what you hear), you shall receive that much more again; but if you do not use what you hear even that which you have shall be taken away from you. It might be said, to you that are given knowledge and use it, you shall be given more; but to you that are given knowledge and do not use it, what you have shall be taken away.

It is written, WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL BREAK ONE OF THESE LEAST COMMANDMENTS, AND SHALL

TEACH MEN SO, HE SHALL BE CALLED "THE LEAST" IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN-Mt 5:19. Again, we appear to have a loss of rewards for those that break a least commandment and teach others to do the same.

2-ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON REWARDS

As already noted, we shall receive rewards. We shall receive an inheritance. Rewards are given for serving God, for giving to the poor, for being a good and faithful servant, for receiving persecutions for the name of Jesus, for being martyred, and more. The Bible tells of many ways we can receive rewards and further specifies many of the rewards that we may receive.

Rewards will be given for persecutions. It is written, REJOICE AND BE EXCEEDING GLAD: FOR GREAT IS YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN: FOR SO PERSECUTED THEY THE PROPHETS WHICH WERE BEFORE YOU-Mt 5:12.

It is written, I THE LORD SEARCH THE HEART, I TRY THE REINS, EVEN TO GIVE EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO HIS WAYS, AND ACCORDING TO THE FRUIT OF HIS DOINGS-Jere 17:10. We receive the gift of eternal life, yet the Lord gives us much more. It is written, KNOWING THAT OF THE LORD YE SHALL RECEIVE THE REWARD OF THE INHERITANCE: FOR YE SERVE THE LORD CHRIST-Col 3:24. For, indeed, we shall receive AN INHERITANCE INCORRUPTIBLE, AND UNDEFILED, AND THAT FADETH NOT AWAY, RESERVED IN HEAVEN FOR YOU-1 Pe 1:4.

For EYE HATH NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NEITHER HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN, THE THINGS WHICH GOD HATH PREPARED FOR THEM THAT LOVE HIM. BUT GOD HATH REVEALED THEM UNTO US BY HIS SPIRIT: FOR THE SPIRIT SEARCHETH ALL THINGS, YEA, THE DEEP THINGS OF GOD-1 Cor 2:9,10.

3-WHAT ARE REWARDS GIVEN FOR?

- According to a person's ways-ref Jere 17:10
- THE FRUIT OF HIS DOINGS-Jere 17:10
- What a person has (spiritually) at the judgment-ref Lk 8:18
- All works that survive the testing of the fire-ref 1 Cor 3:3,4
- Sowing to the Spirit-ref Gal 6:9
- According to what MEASURE (of the Word you hear that) YOU USE-Mk 4:24 NIV
- Being good and faithful-ref Mt 25:21
- For being faithful over a few things-ref Mt 25:23; Lk 19:17
- For serving God-the reward of inheritance-ref Col 3:24
- For loving God-ref 1 Cor 2:9(Note, our love for God is measured by our obeying His commandments)
- For being wise (spiritually)-ref Dan 12:3
- For turning people to righteousness-ref Dan 12:3
- For looking for Jesus-ref Heb 9:28
- For being persecuted-ref Mt 5:12
- For people speaking evil against you falsely (for Jesus' sake)-ref Mt 5:11
- For what you do and teach-ref Mt 5:19
- For receiving a prophet-ref Mt 10:41
- For receiving a righteous man-ref Mt 10:41
- For giving a cup of cold water-ref Mt 10:42; Mk 9:41
- When men shall hate you (for Jesus' sake)-ref Lk 6:22
- When men shall separate you from their company for the Son of Man's sake-ref Lk 6:23
- For confessing Jesus before men-ref Lk 12:8
- For leaving parents, or brethren, or wife, or children for the kingdom of God's sake-ref Lk 18:29,30
- For coming to Jesus-ref Jn 6:35
- For believing on Jesus-ref Jn 6:35
- For suffering with Jesus-ref Ro 8:17
- For dying in Jesus-ref 1 Thes 4:14
- For those that love His appearing-ref 2 Tim 4:8
- For enduring temptations-ref Ja 1:12
- For overcoming-ref Rev 2:7
- For suffering (for Jesus' sake)-ref Rev 2:10
- For not defiling your garments-ref Rev 3:4
- For keeping God's Word-ref Rev 3:10
- For holding fast-ref Rev 3:11
- For being a prophet-ref Rev 11:18
- For being a saint-ref Rev 11:18
- For fearing God-ref Rev 11:18
- **BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT-Mt 5:3**
- **BLESSED ARE THEY THAT MOURN-Mt 5:4**
- **BLESSED ARE THE MEEK-Mt 5:5**
- **BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH DO HUNGER AND THIRST AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS-Mt 5:6**

- BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL-Mt 5:7
- BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART-Mt 5:8
- BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS-Mt 5:9
- BLESSED IS HE THAT READETH, AND THEY THAT HEAR THE WORDS OF THIS PROPHECY, AND KEEP THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE WRITTEN THEREIN-Rev 1:3

4-WHEN ARE THE REWARDS GIVEN?

Rewards appear to be given at the time of the judgment, i.e., at the time of the resurrection and Rapture. One example will be our new body, which is given in the twinkling of an eye as we are changed at the time of the Rapture. It is written, **IN A MOMENT, IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE...WE SHALL BE CHANGED**-1 Cor 15:52. The Rapture, itself, is a reward for being faithful and watching.

Rewards are also mentioned as Jesus returns at the Battle of Armageddon. The saints shall reign and rule with Jesus; this is also a reward. Their reward or position may be given when they return with Jesus. Second Timothy mentions a reward (the crown of righteousness) being given **UNTO ALL THEM ALSO THAT LOVE HIS APPEARING**-2 Tim 4:8. It is also written, **WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD SHALL APPEAR, YE SHALL RECEIVE A CROWN OF GLORY**-1 Pe 5:4. The crown is received when Jesus shall appear. It may be said, He shall appear to the saints at the time of the resurrection and Rapture, yet He shall appear to others as He returns to the earth at the time of Armageddon. Further, it is written, **OUR HOPE...OR CROWN OF REJOICING? ARE NOT EVEN YE IN THE PRESENCE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AT HIS COMING**-1 Thes 2:19. The saints are with Jesus when He returns. This appears to be referring to Jesus returning at the time of Armageddon.

These verses also seem to be covering the time when Jesus returns at the Battle of Armageddon. **AND THE TIME OF THE DEAD, THAT THEY SHOULD BE JUDGED, AND THAT THOU SHOULDEST GIVE REWARD UNTO THY SERVANTS THE PROPHETS, AND TO THE SAINTS, AND THEM THAT FEAR THY NAME, SMALL AND GREAT; AND SHOULDEST DESTROY THEM WHICH DESTROY THE EARTH**-Rev 11:18.

It is also written, **I CHARGE THEE THEREFORE BEFORE GOD, AND THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, WHO SHALL JUDGE THE QUICK (or living) AND THE DEAD AT HIS APPEARING AND HIS KINGDOM**-2 Tim 4:1. The JNT¹⁴ translates this as **WHEN HE APPEARS AND ESTABLISHES HIS KINGDOM**. Some might say that two different periods are mentioned here.

BUT GO THOU THY WAY TILL THE END BE: FOR THOU SHALT REST, AND STAND IN THY LOT (or rise to receive your allotted inheritance-NIV) AT THE END OF THE DAYS-Dan 12:13.

FOR THE SON OF MAN SHALL COME IN THE GLORY OF HIS FATHER WITH HIS ANGELS; AND THEN HE SHALL REWARD EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO HIS WORKS-Mt 16:27. Rewards are given at the time of the resurrection and Rapture, and also at the time Jesus returns to the earth at Armageddon.

AND, BEHOLD, I COME QUICKLY; AND MY REWARD IS WITH ME, TO GIVE EVERY MAN ACCORDING AS HIS WORK SHALL BE-Rev 22:12.

BEHOLD, THE LORD HATH PROCLAIMED UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD, SAY YE TO THE DAUGHTER OF ZION, BEHOLD, THY SALVATION COMETH; BEHOLD, HIS REWARD IS WITH HIM, AND HIS WORK BEFORE HIM-Isa 62:11.

WHEN HE (Jesus) WAS RETURNED, HAVING RECEIVED THE KINGDOM, THEN HE COMMANDED THESE SERVANTS TO BE CALLED UNTO HIM, TO WHOM HE HAD GIVEN THE MONEY. Jesus then gave authority to them (or rewards)-ref Lk 19:15,17. **AFTER A LONG TIME THE LORD OF THOSE SERVANTS COMETH, AND RECKONETH WITH THEM**. He then gave rewards-ref Mt 25:19,21. In this verse, rewards appear to be mentioned just after Jesus had returned.

(The List: When Are the Rewards Given?)

- Our new bodies at the Rapture-ref 1 Cor 15:52
- AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST-Lk 14:14
- At HIS APPEARING-2 Tim 4:8
- WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD SHALL APPEAR-1 Pe 5:4
- AT HIS COMING-1 Thes 2:19
- When Jesus shall COME IN THE GLORY OF HIS FATHER-Mt 16:27
- At the time Jesus returns at Armageddon-ref Rev 11:18
- AT HIS APPEARING AND HIS KINGDOM-2 Tim 4:1
- AT THAT DAY...ALL...THAT LOVE HIS APPEARING-2 Tim 4:8
- AT HIS COMING-1 Thes 2:19
- I COME QUICKLY-Rev 22:12
- THY SALVATION COMETH-Isa 62:11
- When Jesus WAS RETURNED, HAVING RECEIVED THE KINGDOM-Lk 19:15,17
- When THE LORD OF THOSE SERVANTS COMETH-Mt 25:19,21
- The reward of New Jerusalem comes around the time that the new heaven and new earth are seen-ref Rev 21:1,2

REWARDS

5-(Commentary)

The following verses are primarily dealing with rewards we receive from the time of the Rapture and on. The Bible tells us, **HE THAT OVERCOMETH SHALL INHERIT ALL THINGS**-Rev 21:7.

BUT AS IT IS WRITTEN, EYE HATH NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NEITHER HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN, THE THINGS WHICH GOD HATH PREPARED FOR THEM THAT LOVE HIM. BUT GOD HATH REVEALED THEM UNTO US BY HIS SPIRIT: FOR THE SPIRIT SEARCHETH ALL THINGS, YEA, THE DEEP THINGS OF GOD-1 Cor 2:9,10. AND WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD SHALL APPEAR, YE SHALL RECEIVE A CROWN OF GLORY THAT FADETH NOT AWAY-1 Pe 5:4. There are prophecies of many rewards in the Bible; however, certain conditions must be met to inherit them. For example, the gift of eternal life can only be received through faith in Jesus Christ; there is no other way.

We were created in Christ Jesus for the purpose of doing the works that God has called us to do. Thus, when Jesus returns, He will discern between those that obeyed Him and those that did not. Christians are to follow Jesus, deny themselves, and do God's Word.

As it is written, THEN SHALL YE RETURN, AND DISCERN BETWEEN THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED, BETWEEN HIM THAT SERVETH GOD AND HIM THAT SERVETH HIM NOT-Mal 3:18.

FOR WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS UNTO GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD HATH BEFORE ORDAINED THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM-Eph 2:10.

(For) IF ANY MAN SERVE ME, LET HIM FOLLOW ME; AND WHERE I AM, THERE SHALL ALSO MY SERVANT BE: IF ANY MAN SERVE ME, HIM WILL MY FATHER HONOR-Jn 12:26.

(And) IF ANY MAN WILL COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME-Mt 16:24.

BUT BE YE DOERS OF THE WORD, AND NOT HEARERS ONLY, DECEIVING YOUR OWN SELVES-Ja 1:22.

6-LAY UP TREASURES IN HEAVEN

The Bible commands us to LAY UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES IN HEAVEN, WHERE NEITHER MOTH NOR RUST DOTH CORRUPT, AND WHERE THIEVES DO NOT BREAK THROUGH NOR STEAL: FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS, THERE WILL YOUR HEART BE ALSO-Mt 6:20,21. A person that is laying up treasure on this earth will not have his heart inclined toward the things of God; however, the person that lays up treasure in heaven shall have his heart inclined toward heaven.

(For) HE THAT TAKETH NOT HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOWETH AFTER ME, IS NOT WORTHY OF ME-Mt 10:38. (And) HE THAT FINDETH HIS LIFE SHALL LOSE IT: AND HE THAT LOSETH HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE SHALL FIND IT-Mt 10:39.

FOR WHAT IS A MAN PROFITED, IF HE SHALL GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL? OR WHAT SHALL A MAN GIVE IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS SOUL?-Mt 16:26. What good is it, if a person has every possession possible in this world, but he perishes to the lake of fire for eternity? (For) IT IS EASIER FOR A CAMEL TO GO THROUGH THE EYE OF A NEEDLE, THAN FOR A RICH MAN TO ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD-Mk 10:25; ref Lk 18:25.

FOR TO BE CARNALLY (or worldly) MINDED IS DEATH; BUT TO BE SPIRITUALLY MINDED IS LIFE AND PEACE-Ro 8:6.

We are to follow Jesus, deny ourselves, and lay up treasures in heaven.

7-WHAT REWARDS DO WE RECEIVE AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES? (NOW)

The things which Jesus gives us on this earth once we commit ourselves to Him is almost without end. WE LOVE HIM, BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US-1 Jn 4:19. The following is only a brief list.

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE-Jn 3:16. The gift of everlasting life is the greatest gift.

BEHOLD, WHAT MANNER OF LOVE THE FATHER HATH BESTOWED UPON US, THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED THE SONS OF GOD: THEREFORE THE WORLD KNOWETH US NOT, BECAUSE IT KNEW HIM NOT-1 Jn 3:1. The saints are rewarded with being called the sons of God. As it also written, HE THAT OVERCOMETH SHALL INHERIT ALL THINGS; AND I WILL BE HIS GOD, AND HE SHALL BE MY SON-Rev 21:7.

AND I WILL PRAY THE FATHER, AND HE SHALL GIVE YOU ANOTHER COMFORTER, THAT HE MAY ABIDE WITH YOU FOR EVER-Jn 14:16. AND WE ARE HIS WITNESSES OF THESE THINGS; AND SO IS ALSO THE HOLY GHOST, WHOM GOD HATH GIVEN TO THEM THAT OBEY HIM-Acts 5:32. The Holy Ghost (also called the Comforter) is given.

FOR WE ARE MEMBERS OF HIS BODY, OF HIS FLESH, AND OF HIS BONES-Eph 5:30. This verse applies to each member of the body of Christ.

AND I WILL NOT BLOT OUT HIS NAME OUT OF THE BOOK OF LIFE-Rev 3:5. This verse applies to those that overcome.

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL: FOR THEY SHALL OBTAIN MERCY-Mt 5:7. This verse applies to the merciful.

BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL, AND FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS: WHO FORGIVETH ALL THINE INIQUITIES; WHO HEALETH ALL THY DISEASES; WHO REDEEMETH THY LIFE FROM DESTRUCTION; WHO CROWNETH THEE WITH LOVING-KINDNESS AND TENDER MERCIES; WHO SATISFIETH THY MOUTH WITH GOOD THINGS; SO THAT THY YOUTH IS RENEWED LIKE THE EAGLE'S-Ps 103:2-5. All these benefits are available to those who receive Jesus as Lord and Savior.

BECAUSE HE HATH SET HIS LOVE UPON ME...BECAUSE HE HATH KNOWN MY NAME. HE SHALL CALL UPON ME, AND I WILL ANSWER HIM: I WILL BE WITH HIM IN TROUBLE; I WILL DELIVER HIM, AND HONOR HIM-Ps 91:14,15. This verse applies to those who know and love the Lord.

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL THINE HEART; AND LEAN NOT UNTO THINE OWN UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL THY WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM, AND HE SHALL DIRECT THY PATHS-Pv 3:5,6. This verse applies to those who trust

and acknowledge the Lord.

REJOICE, BECAUSE YOUR NAMES ARE WRITTEN IN HEAVEN-Lk 10:20.

8-REWARDS BEFORE THE RAPTURE

BECAUSE THOU HAST KEPT THE WORD OF MY PATIENCE, I ALSO WILL KEEP THEE FROM THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION (or the Tribulation), WHICH SHALL COME UPON ALL THE WORLD, TO TRY THEM THAT DWELL UPON THE EARTH-Rev 3:10.

9-REWARDS AT THE RAPTURE

The Rapture is a reward given to the saints that are ready when Jesus comes prior to the Tribulation. For we groan waiting for our adoption as sons, even the redemption of our bodies.

SO CHRIST WAS ONCE OFFERED TO BEAR THE SINS OF MANY; AND UNTO THEM THAT LOOK FOR HIM SHALL HE APPEAR THE SECOND TIME WITHOUT SIN UNTO SALVATION-Heb 9:28.

BLESSED AND HOLY IS HE THAT HATH PART IN THE FIRST RESURRECTION-Rev 20:6.

BUT I WOULD NOT HAVE YOU TO BE IGNORANT, BRETHREN, CONCERNING THEM WHICH ARE ASLEEP, THAT YE SORROW NOT, EVEN AS OTHERS WHICH HAVE NO HOPE. FOR IF WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED AND ROSE AGAIN, EVEN SO THEM ALSO WHICH SLEEP IN JESUS WILL GOD BRING WITH HIM. FOR THIS WE SAY UNTO YOU BY THE WORD OF THE LORD, THAT WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD SHALL NOT PREVENT THEM WHICH ARE ASLEEP. FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT, WITH THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE TRUMP OF GOD: AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST: THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN SHALL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE CLOUDS, TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR: AND SO SHALL WE EVER BE WITH THE LORD-1 Thes 4:13-17. For IN A MOMENT, IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE, AT THE LAST TRUMP: FOR THE TRUMPET SHALL SOUND, AND THE DEAD SHALL BE RAISED INCORRUPTIBLE, AND WE SHALL BE CHANGED-1 Cor 15:52. WHEREFORE COMFORT ONE ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS-1 Thes 4:18.

NOW THAT THE DEAD ARE RAISED, EVEN MOSES SHEWED AT THE BUSH, WHEN HE CALLETH THE LORD THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, AND THE GOD OF ISAAC, AND THE GOD OF JACOB. FOR HE IS NOT A GOD OF THE DEAD, BUT OF THE LIVING: FOR ALL LIVE UNTO HIM-Lk 20:37,38.

10-(Spiritual Bodies)

Ro 6:5-FOR IF WE HAVE BEEN PLANTED TOGETHER IN THE LIKENESS OF HIS DEATH, WE SHALL BE ALSO IN THE LIKENESS OF HIS RESURRECTION:

We are to receive a new *spiritual body* of flesh and bone-ref Lk 24:39. As it is written, BEHOLD MY HANDS AND MY FEET, THAT IT IS I MYSELF: HANDLE ME, AND SEE; FOR A SPIRIT HATH NOT *FLESH AND BONES*, AS YE SEE ME HAVE.

Ro 8:17,18,22,23-AND IF CHILDREN, THEN HEIRS; HEIRS OF GOD, AND JOINT-HEIRS WITH CHRIST; IF SO BE THAT WE SUFFER WITH HIM, THAT WE MAY BE ALSO GLORIFIED TOGETHER. FOR I RECKON THAT THE SUFFERINGS OF THIS PRESENT TIME ARE NOT WORTHY TO BE COMPARED WITH THE GLORY WHICH SHALL BE REVEALED IN US. FOR WE KNOW THAT THE WHOLE CREATION GROANETH AND TRAVAILETH IN PAIN TOGETHER UNTIL NOW.]

AND NOT ONLY THEY, BUT OURSELVES ALSO, WHICH HAVE THE FIRSTFRUITS OF THE SPIRIT, EVEN WE OURSELVES GROAN WITHIN OURSELVES, WAITING FOR THE ADOPTION, TO WIT, THE REDEMPTION OF OUR BODY.

2 Cor 5:1-FOR WE KNOW THAT IF OUR EARTHLY HOUSE OF THIS TABERNACLE WERE DISSOLVED, WE HAVE A BUILDING OF GOD, AN HOUSE NOT MADE WITH HANDS, ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS.

2 Cor 5:2-FOR IN THIS WE GROAN, EARNESTLY DESIRING TO BE CLOTHED UPON WITH OUR HOUSE WHICH IS FROM HEAVEN.

2 Cor 5:4-FOR WE THAT ARE IN THIS TABERNACLE DO GROAN, BEING BURDENED: NOT FOR THAT WE WOULD BE UNCLOTHED, BUT CLOTHED UPON, THAT MORTALITY MIGHT BE SWALLOWED UP OF LIFE.

1 Cor 15:35,36-BUT SOME MAN WILL SAY, HOW ARE THE DEAD RAISED UP? AND WITH WHAT BODY DO THEY COME? THOU FOOL, THAT WHICH THOU SOWEST IS NOT QUICKENED (or come to life), EXCEPT IT DIE.

1 Cor 15:42-44-SO ALSO IS THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD. IT IS SOWN IN CORRUPTION (our earthly body); IT IS RAISED IN INCORRUPTION. (Note the new body God gives us is raised in incorruption or is imperishable.) IT IS SOWN IN DISHONOUR; IT IS RAISED IN GLORY: IT IS SOWN IN WEAKNESS; IT IS RAISED IN POWER: IT IS SOWN A NATURAL BODY; IT IS RAISED A SPIRITUAL BODY. THERE IS A NATURAL BODY, AND THERE IS A SPIRITUAL BODY.

1 Cor 15:49-AND AS WE HAVE BORNE THE IMAGE OF THE EARTHY, WE SHALL ALSO BEAR THE IMAGE OF THE HEAVENLY. Note the beautiful words regarding the body that the saints shall have. It is a body of life, imperishable, a body of glory, raised in power, a spiritual body that bears the image of the heavenly. It is an eternal body, not made with hands—a body from heaven.

2 Cor 5:2-FOR IN THIS WE GROAN, EARNESTLY DESIRING TO BE CLOTHED... WITH OUR HOUSE (our new body).

1 Cor 15:50-51-NOW THIS I SAY, BRETHREN, THAT FLESH AND BLOOD CANNOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD; NEITHER DOTH CORRUPTION INHERIT INCORRUPTION. BEHOLD, I SHOW YOU A MYSTERY; WE SHALL NOT ALL SLEEP, BUT WE SHALL ALL BE CHANGED. We shall be changed from the body of corruption to the body of

incorruption. We must be changed from our mortal body to our immortal body. Our mortal body will dissolve.

It is written, 2 Cor 5:1-THIS TABERNACLE WERE DISSOLVED; 1 Cor 15:44-THERE IS A NATURAL BODY, AND THERE IS A SPIRITUAL BODY.

At the *Rapture*, the saints will be raised and changed from a natural body to a spiritual body IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE-1 Cor 15:52. The Scriptures appear to say that this natural body we now live in must be put off. As Paul said before his death, 2 Pe 1:14-KNOWING THAT SHORTLY I MUST PUT OFF THIS MY TABERNACLE. The natural body is put off and will dissolve. We then receive our spiritual body: 2 Cor 5:1-A BUILDING OF GOD, AN HOUSE NOT MADE WITH HANDS, ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS. We shall be changed.

1 Cor 15:53,54-FOR THIS CORRUPTIBLE (or perishable) MUST PUT ON INCORRUPTION (or imperishable), AND THIS MORTAL MUST PUT ON IMMORTALITY. SO WHEN THIS CORRUPTIBLE (or imperishable, or what decays) SHALL HAVE PUT ON INCORRUPTION (or imperishability), AND THIS MORTAL SHALL HAVE PUT ON IMMORTALITY, THEN SHALL BE BROUGHT TO PASS THE SAYING THAT IS WRITTEN, DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY.

1 Cor 15:39-ALL FLESH IS NOT THE SAME FLESH: BUT THERE IS ONE KIND OF FLESH OF MEN, ANOTHER FLESH OF BEASTS, ANOTHER OF FISHES, AND ANOTHER OF BIRDS. In the next verse, God explains.

1 Cor 15:40,41-THERE ARE ALSO CELESTIAL BODIES, AND BODIES TERRESTRIAL. The Scriptures are showing through this example that the bodies are not the same; the flesh is different. There is an earthly body and a heavenly body. BUT THE GLORY OF THE CELESTIAL IS ONE, AND THE GLORY OF THE TERRESTRIAL IS ANOTHER. THERE IS ONE GLORY OF THE SUN, AND ANOTHER GLORY OF THE MOON, AND ANOTHER GLORY OF THE STARS: FOR ONE STAR DIFFERETH FROM ANOTHER STAR IN GLORY.

1 Cor 15:43-IT IS RAISED IN GLORY.

Dan 12:3-AND THEY THAT BE WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT; AND THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER.

Job 19:26,27-AND THOUGH AFTER MY SKIN WORMS DESTROY THIS BODY, YET IN MY FLESH SHALL I SEE GOD. Our earthly bodies dissolve, but praise God, we have a new body waiting for us. WHOM I SHALL SEE FOR MYSELF, AND MINE EYES SHALL BEHOLD, AND NOT ANOTHER; THOUGH MY REINS BE CONSUMED WITHIN ME.

1 Jn 3:2-BELOVED, NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD, AND IT DOETH NOT YET APPEAR WHAT WE SHALL BE: BUT WE KNOW THAT, WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; FOR WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS.

Phili 3:20,21-THE LORD JESUS CHRIST: WHO SHALL CHANGE OUR VILE BODY (or our earthly body), THAT IT MAY BE FASHIONED LIKE UNTO HIS GLORIOUS BODY, ACCORDING TO THE WORKING WHEREBY HE IS ABLE EVEN TO SUBDUE ALL THINGS UNTO HIMSELF. The Scriptures reveal that we shall be like Jesus; our body may be fashioned like unto the body of Jesus. If we examine the Scriptures on the body of Jesus, we should be able to understand more fully what our spiritual body will be like.

Eph 5:30-FOR WE ARE MEMBERS OF HIS BODY, OF HIS FLESH, AND OF HIS BONES. Note the words: body, flesh, and bones. Jesus speaking, said the following words:

Lk 24:39-BEHOLD MY HANDS AND MY FEET, THAT IT IS I MYSELF: HANDLE ME, AND SEE; FOR A SPIRIT HATH NOT FLESH AND BONES, AS YE SEE ME HAVE. Once again, the words "flesh and bones" appear. Blood is not mentioned. The apostles recognized Jesus in His spiritual body. This body of flesh and bone is imperishable.

Jesus gives us information as to what our new spiritual bodies may be like in the following verses:

Mk 12:25-FOR WHEN THEY SHALL RISE FROM THE DEAD, THEY NEITHER MARRY, NOR ARE GIVEN IN MARRIAGE; BUT ARE AS THE ANGELS WHICH ARE IN HEAVEN (ref Lk 20:35; Mt 22:30).

Many times in the Bible angels have appeared to men. Often, when they do, they cannot be distinguished from people, yet they seem to have the power to appear and disappear.

It is written, Heb 13:2-BE NOT FORGETFUL TO ENTERTAIN STRANGERS: FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED ANGELS UNAWARES.

God's Word shows that an angel can smite an entire army-ref 2 Ki 19:35. We are told, Lk 20:36-NEITHER CAN THEY DIE ANY MORE: FOR THEY ARE EQUAL UNTO THE ANGELS; AND ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD, BEING THE CHILDREN OF THE RESURRECTION. The saints will be equal unto the angels and cannot die in their spiritual bodies. We have noted that our body, Phili 3:21-MAY BE FASHIONED LIKE UNTO HIS GLORIOUS BODY.

Mk 16:12-AFTER THAT HE APPEARED IN ANOTHER FORM UNTO TWO OF THEM, AS THEY WALKED, AND WENT INTO THE COUNTRY.

Lk 24:15,16-AND IT CAME TO PASS, THAT, WHILE THEY COMMUNED TOGETHER AND REASONED, JESUS HIMSELF DREW NEAR, AND WENT WITH THEM. BUT THEIR EYES WERE HOLDEN THAT THEY SHOULD NOT KNOW HIM.

One might ask if we will be able to eat in our spiritual body?

Lk 24:30,31-AND IT CAME TO PASS, AS HE SAT AT MEAT WITH THEM, HE TOOK BREAD, AND BLESSED IT, AND BRAKE, AND GAVE TO THEM. AND THEIR EYES WERE OPENED, AND THEY KNEW HIM; AND HE VANISHED OUT OF THEIR SIGHT.

Lk 24:32-39-AND THEY SAID ONE TO ANOTHER, DID NOT OUR HEART BURN WITHIN US, WHILE HE TALKED WITH US BY THE WAY, AND WHILE HE OPENED TO US THE SCRIPTURES? AND THEY ROSE UP THE SAME HOUR, AND RETURNED TO JERUSALEM, AND FOUND THE ELEVEN GATHERED TOGETHER, AND THEM THAT WERE WITH THEM, SAYING, THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED, AND HATH APPEARED TO SIMON. AND THEY TOLD

WHAT THINGS WERE DONE IN THE WAY, AND HOW HE WAS KNOWN OF THEM IN BREAKING OF BREAD.

Lk 24:36-39-AND AS THEY THUS SPAKE, JESUS HIMSELF STOOD IN THE MIDST OF THEM, AND SAITH UNTO THEM, PEACE BE UNTO YOU. BUT THEY WERE TERRIFIED AND AFFRIGHTED, AND SUPPOSED THAT THEY HAD SEEN A SPIRIT. AND HE SAID UNTO THEM, WHY ARE YE TROUBLED? AND WHY DO THOUGHTS ARISE IN YOUR HEARTS? BEHOLD MY HANDS AND MY FEET, THAT IT IS I MYSELF: HANDLE ME, AND SEE; FOR A SPIRIT HATH NOT FLESH AND BONES, AS YE SEE ME HAVE.

Lk 24:40-43-AND WHEN HE HAD THUS SPOKEN, HE SHEWED THEM HIS HANDS AND HIS FEET. AND WHILE THEY YET BELIEVED NOT FOR JOY, AND WONDERED, HE SAID UNTO THEM, HAVE YE HERE ANY MEAT? AND THEY GAVE HIM A PIECE OF A BROILED FISH, AND OF AN HONEYCOMB. AND HE TOOK IT, AND DID EAT BEFORE THEM.

Jn 20:19-THEN THE SAME DAY AT EVENING, BEING THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, WHEN THE DOORS WERE SHUT WHERE THE DISCIPLES WERE ASSEMBLED FOR FEAR OF THE JEWS, CAME JESUS AND STOOD IN THE MIDST, AND SAITH UNTO THEM, PEACE BE UNTO YOU.

Jn 20:26-29-AND AFTER EIGHT DAYS AGAIN HIS DISCIPLES WERE WITHIN, AND THOMAS WITH THEM: THEN CAME JESUS, THE DOORS BEING SHUT, AND STOOD IN THE MIDST, AND SAID, PEACE BE UNTO YOU. THEN SAITH HE TO THOMAS, REACH HITHER THY FINGER, AND BEHOLD MY HANDS; AND REACH HITHER THY HAND, AND THRUST IT INTO MY SIDE: AND BE NOT FAITHLESS, BUT BELIEVING. AND THOMAS ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO HIM, MY LORD AND MY GOD. JESUS SAITH UNTO HIM, THOMAS, BECAUSE THOU HAST SEEN ME, THOU HAST BELIEVED: BLESSED ARE THEY THAT HAVE NOT SEEN, AND YET HAVE BELIEVED.

11-(Summary)

- WE...GROAN WITHIN OURSELVES, WAITING FOR THE...REDEMPTION OF OUR BODY-Ro 8:23
- WE KNOW...IF OUR EARTHLY HOUSE WERE DISSOLVED-2 Cor 5:1
- Our SPIRITUAL body is A BUILDING OF GOD-2 Cor 5:1
- NOT MADE WITH HANDS-2 Cor 5:1
- ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS-2 Cor 5:1
- WE GROAN...DESIRING...OUR HOUSE-2 Cor 5:2
- WHICH IS FROM HEAVEN-2 Cor 5:2
- MORTALITY MIGHT BE SWALLOWED UP OF LIFE-2 Cor 5:4
- RAISED IN INCORRUPTION-1 Cor 15:42
- RAISED IN GLORY-1 Cor 15:43
- RAISED IN POWER-1 Cor 15:43
- RAISED A SPIRITUAL BODY-1 Cor 15:44
- BEAR THE IMAGE OF THE HEAVENLY-1 Cor 15:49
- WE SHALL ALL BE CHANGED-1 Cor 15:51
- MUST PUT OFF THIS MY TABERNACLE-2 Pe 1:14
- MUST PUT ON IMMORTALITY-1 Cor 15:53
- GLORY...DIFFERETH-1 Cor 15:41
- THEY THAT BE WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT-Dan 12:3
- THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER-Dan 12:3
- I SEE GOD-Job 19:26
- We are THE SONS OF GOD-1 Jn 4:2
- We are THE CHILDREN OF GOD-Lk 20:36
- WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM-1 Jn 3:2
- WE SHALL BE...IN THE LIKENESS OF HIS RESURRECTION-Ro 6:5
- WE SHALL SEE HIM (Jesus) AS HE IS-1 Jn 3:2
- THE LORD JESUS... WHO SHALL CHANGE OUR VILE BODY-Phili 3:20,21
- Our body MAY BE FASHIONED LIKE UNTO HIS GLORIOUS BODY-Phili 3:21
- The spiritual body will be FLESH, AND...BONES-Eph 5:30; Lk 24:39
- NEITHER MARRY, NOR ARE GIVEN IN MARRIAGE-Mk 12:25
- ARE AS THE ANGELS WHICH ARE IN HEAVEN-Mk 12:25
- Angels can look so much like people that one may not be able to tell the difference-ref Heb 13:2; Jacob wrestled with an angel-ref Gen 32:24-32
- Cannot DIE ANY MORE-Lk 20:36
- May be able to appear in another form-ref Mk 16:12
- May be able to vanish-ref Lk 23:31
- May be able to appear instantly and walk through walls-ref Lk 24:32-39; Jn 20:26-29
- AND DID EAT BEFORE THEM-Lk 24:43

12-REWARDS:

WHEN WE ARE WITH JESUS AFTER THE RAPTURE, THE MARRIAGE

LET US BE GLAD AND REJOICE, AND GIVE HONOR TO HIM: FOR *THE MARRIAGE* OF THE LAMB IS COME, AND HIS WIFE HATH MADE HERSELF READY. AND TO HER WAS GRANTED THAT SHE SHOULD BE ARRAYED IN FINE LINEN, CLEAN AND WHITE: FOR THE FINE LINEN IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF SAINTS. AND HE SAITH UNTO ME, WRITE, BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH ARE CALLED UNTO THE MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB. AND HE SAITH UNTO ME, THESE ARE THE TRUE SAYINGS OF GOD-Rev 19:7-9. For HE THAT OVERCOMETH, THE SAME SHALL BE CLOTHED IN *WHITE RAIMENT*-Rev 3:5. It is further written, THOU HAST A FEW NAMES EVEN IN SARDIS WHICH HAVE NOT DEFILED THEIR GARMENTS; AND THEY SHALL WALK WITH ME IN WHITE: FOR THEY ARE WORTHY-Rev 3:4.

AND I WILL WRITE UPON HIM MY NEW NAME-Rev 3:12.

AND I WILL WRITE UPON HIM THE NAME OF MY GOD-Rev 3:12.

BLESSED ARE THEY THAT MOURN: FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED-Mt 5:4.

BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART: FOR THEY SHALL SEE GOD-Mt 5:8.

13-REWARDS:

WHEN WE ARE WITH JESUS AFTER THE RAPTURE, INCLUDING LIFE EVERLASTING

BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH DO HUNGER AND THIRST AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS: FOR THEY SHALL BE FILLED-Mt 5:6.

AND HE SAID UNTO THEM, VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, THERE IS NO MAN THAT HATH LEFT HOUSE, OR PARENTS, OR BRETHREN, OR WIFE, OR CHILDREN, FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD'S SAKE, WHO SHALL NOT RECEIVE MANIFOLD MORE IN THIS PRESENT TIME, AND IN THE WORLD TO COME LIFE EVERLASTING-Lk 18:29,30.

ALSO I SAY UNTO YOU, WHOSOEVER SHALL CONFESS ME BEFORE MEN, HIM SHALL THE SON OF MAN ALSO CONFESS BEFORE THE ANGELS OF GOD-Lk 12:8. I (Jesus) WILL CONFESS HIS NAME BEFORE MY FATHER, AND BEFORE HIS ANGELS-Rev 3:5.

New Jerusalem does not have a *temple*. It is written, AND I SAW NO TEMPLE THEREIN: FOR THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY AND THE LAMB ARE THE TEMPLE OF IT-Rev 21:22. The last mention in the Bible of a temple is with God in heaven during the Tribulation. Note one of the rewards: HIM THAT OVERCOMETH WILL I MAKE A PILLAR IN THE TEMPLE OF MY GOD, AND HE SHALL GO NO MORE OUT-Rev 3:12. Regarding the saints, it is written, IN WHOM ALL THE BUILDING FITLY FRAMED TOGETHER GROWETH UNTO AN HOLY TEMPLE IN THE LORD: IN WHOM YE ALSO ARE BUILDED TOGETHER FOR AN HABITATION OF GOD THROUGH THE SPIRIT-Eph 2:21,22.

14-REWARDS:

CROWNS THE SAINTS CAN RECEIVE

FOR WHAT IS OUR HOPE, OR JOY, OR *CROWN OF REJOICING*? ARE NOT EVEN YE IN THE PRESENCE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AT HIS COMING?-1 Thes 2:19.

HENCEFORTH THERE IS LAID UP FOR ME A *CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS*, WHICH THE LORD, THE RIGHTEOUS JUDGE, SHALL GIVE ME AT THAT DAY: AND NOT TO ME ONLY, BUT UNTO ALL THEM ALSO THAT LOVE HIS APPEARING-2 Tim 4:8.

BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT ENDURETH TEMPTATION: FOR WHEN HE IS TRIED, HE SHALL RECEIVE THE *CROWN OF LIFE*, WHICH THE LORD HATH PROMISED TO THEM THAT LOVE HIM-Ja 1:12.

BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH, AND I WILL GIVE THEE A *CROWN OF LIFE*-Rev 2:10.

AND WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD SHALL APPEAR, YE SHALL RECEIVE A *CROWN OF GLORY* THAT FADETH NOT AWAY-1 Pe 5:4.

BEHOLD, I COME QUICKLY: HOLD THAT FAST WHICH THOU HAST, THAT NO MAN TAKE THY CROWN-Rev 3:11.

15-REWARDS:

WHEN JESUS RETURNS TO THE EARTH

When Jesus returns in glory, the saints will return with Him, riding upon white horses. The creature will also be delivered from the bondage of decay.

AND YE SHALL FLEE TO THE VALLEY OF THE MOUNTAINS; FOR THE VALLEY OF THE MOUNTAINS SHALL REACH UNTO AZAL: YEA, YE SHALL FLEE, LIKE AS YE FLED FROM BEFORE THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE DAYS OF UZZIAH KING OF JUDAH: AND THE LORD MY GOD SHALL COME, AND ALL THE SAINTS WITH THEE-Zech 14:5. WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR, THEN SHALL YE ALSO APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY-Col 3:4. AND THE ARMIES WHICH WERE IN HEAVEN FOLLOWED HIM UPON WHITE HORSES, CLOTHED IN FINE LINEN, WHITE AND CLEAN-Rev 19:14.

FOR THE EARNEST EXPECTATION OF THE CREATURE WAITETH FOR THE MANIFESTATION OF THE SONS OF GOD. BECAUSE THE CREATURE ITSELF ALSO SHALL BE DELIVERED FROM THE BONDAGE OF CORRUPTION INTO THE GLORIOUS LIBERTY OF THE CHILDREN OF GOD-Ro 8:19,21.

16-REWARDS:

DURING THE MILLENNIUM

The saints (the meek) will inherit the earth and shall reign and rule with Jesus for one thousand years. They shall be kings and priests and shall reign over things such as cities or nations. They shall be able to sit with Jesus in His throne. The twelve apostles shall judge the twelve tribes of Israel.

BLESSED ARE THE MEEK: FOR THEY SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH-Mt 5:5.

HIS LORD SAID UNTO HIM, WELL DONE, THOU GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT: THOU HAST BEEN FAITHFUL OVER A FEW THINGS, I WILL MAKE THEE RULER OVER MANY THINGS: ENTER THOU INTO THE JOY OF THY LORD. HIS LORD SAID UNTO HIM, WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT; THOU HAST BEEN FAITHFUL OVER A FEW THINGS, I WILL MAKE THEE RULER OVER MANY THINGS: ENTER THOU INTO THE JOY OF THY LORD-Mt 25:21,23.

AND HE SAID UNTO HIM, WELL, THOU GOOD SERVANT: BECAUSE THOU HAST BEEN FAITHFUL IN A VERY LITTLE, HAVE THOU AUTHORITY OVER TEN CITIES. AND HE SAID LIKEWISE TO HIM, BE THOU ALSO OVER FIVE CITIES-Lk 19:17,19.

AND HE THAT OVERCOMETH, AND KEEPETH MY WORKS UNTO THE END, TO HIM WILL I GIVE POWER OVER THE NATIONS-Rev 2:26.]

AND HATH MADE US KINGS AND PRIESTS UNTO GOD AND HIS FATHER-Rev 1:6. BUT THEY SHALL BE PRIESTS OF GOD AND OF CHRIST, AND SHALL REIGN WITH HIM A THOUSAND YEARS-Rev 20:6.

AND JESUS SAID UNTO THEM (the twelve apostles)... YE ALSO SHALL SIT UPON TWELVE THRONES, JUDGING THE TWELVE TRIBES OF ISRAEL-Mt 19:28.

TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH WILL I GRANT TO SIT WITH ME IN MY THRONE-Rev 3:21.

HE...RAISETH UP THE POOR...AND LIFTETH UP THE BEGGAR...TO MAKE THEM INHERIT THE THRONE OF GLORY-1 Sam 2:8.

17-REWARDS:

AFTER THE MILLENNIUM

HE THAT OVERCOMETH SHALL NOT BE HURT OF THE SECOND DEATH-Rev 2:11. Those that had part in the first resurrection, ON SUCH THE SECOND DEATH HATH NO POWER-Rev 20:6.

18-REWARDS:

THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH

AND I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: FOR THE FIRST HEAVEN AND THE FIRST EARTH WERE PASSED AWAY; AND THERE WAS NO MORE SEA-Rev 21:1.

19-REWARDS:

NEW JERUSALEM

The saints inherit all things. This includes the city of God, which is called New Jerusalem.

AND I WILL WRITE UPON HIM THE NAME...OF THE CITY OF MY GOD, WHICH IS NEW JERUSALEM, WHICH COMETH DOWN OUT OF HEAVEN FROM MY GOD-Rev 3:12. AND I JOHN SAW THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM, COMING DOWN FROM GOD OUT OF HEAVEN, PREPARED AS A BRIDE ADORNED FOR HER HUSBAND. AND I HEARD A GREAT VOICE OUT OF HEAVEN SAYING, BEHOLD, THE TABERNACLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM, AND THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF SHALL BE WITH THEM, AND BE THEIR GOD. AND GOD SHALL WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS FROM THEIR EYES; AND THERE SHALL BE NO MORE DEATH, NEITHER SORROW, NOR CRYING, NEITHER SHALL THERE BE ANY MORE PAIN: FOR THE FORMER THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY-Rev 21:2-4.

THE ONLY ONES WHO MAY ENTER ARE THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE WRITTEN IN THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE-Rev 21:27 JNT.¹⁵ BLESSED ARE THEY THAT DO HIS COMMANDMENTS, THAT THEY MAY...ENTER IN THROUGH THE GATES INTO THE CITY-Rev 22:14.

20-REWARDS:

IN HEAVEN

Blessed are the poor in spirit and the peacemakers. You are blessed when men hate you, reproach you, cast out your name for evil, persecute you, and speak against you falsely.

Jesus has gone to prepare a place for the saints. Those that obey and teach others to obey the least of God's commandments shall be called great; those that do otherwise shall be called "the least."

The Lord promises we shall be able to eat of the tree of life and the hidden manna.

A further promise is made regarding a white stone with a new name written in it and also the morning star.

AND THE LORD...WILL PRESERVE ME UNTO HIS HEAVENLY KINGDOM-2 Tim 4:18.

BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT: FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN-Mt 5:3.

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS: FOR THEY SHALL BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD-Mt 5:9.

BLESSED ARE YE, WHEN MEN SHALL HATE YOU, AND WHEN THEY SHALL SEPARATE YOU FROM THEIR COMPANY, AND SHALL REPROACH YOU, AND CAST OUT YOUR NAME AS EVIL, FOR THE SON OF MAN'S SAKE. REJOICE YE IN THAT DAY, AND LEAP FOR JOY: FOR, BEHOLD, YOUR REWARD IS GREAT IN HEAVEN: FOR IN THE LIKE MANNER DID THEIR FATHERS UNTO THE PROPHETS-Lk 6:22,23.

BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH ARE PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS SAKE: FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. BLESSED ARE YE, WHEN MEN SHALL REVILE YOU, AND PERSECUTE YOU, AND SHALL SAY ALL MANNER OF EVIL AGAINST YOU FALSELY, FOR MY SAKE. REJOICE, AND BE EXCEEDING GLAD: FOR GREAT IS

YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN: FOR SO PERSECUTED THEY THE PROPHETS WHICH WERE BEFORE YOU-Mt 5:10-12.

WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL BREAK ONE OF THESE LEAST COMMANDMENTS, AND SHALL TEACH MEN SO, HE SHALL BE CALLED THE LEAST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN: BUT WHOSOEVER SHALL DO AND TEACH THEM, THE SAME SHALL BE CALLED GREAT IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN-Mt 5:19.

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY MANSIONS: IF IT WERE NOT SO, I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU. I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU-Jn 14:2.

TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH WILL I GIVE TO EAT OF THE TREE OF LIFE, WHICH IS IN THE MIDST OF THE PARADISE OF GOD-Rev 2:7.

TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH WILL I GIVE TO EAT OF THE HIDDEN MANNA, AND WILL GIVE HIM A WHITE STONE, AND IN THE STONE A NEW NAME WRITTEN, WHICH NO MAN KNOWETH SAVING HE THAT RECEIVETH IT-Rev 2:17.

AND I WILL GIVE HIM THE MORNING STAR-Rev 2:28.

In heaven, the saints will be COMFORTED-Lk 16:25.

21-REWARDS:

FOR ETERNITY

Those that come to Jesus and believe on Him will never hunger or thirst. The wise and those that turn many to righteousness shall shine. Those that are the least shall be great, and the saints shall have a new name written upon them.

AND JESUS SAID UNTO THEM, I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE: HE THAT COMETH TO ME SHALL NEVER HUNGER; AND HE THAT BELIEVETH ON ME SHALL NEVER THIRST-Jn 6:35.

AND THEY THAT BE WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT; AND THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER-Dan 12:3. THEN THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE LIKE THE SUN IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER-Mt 13:43 NIV.

FOR HE THAT IS LEAST AMONG YOU ALL, THE SAME SHALL BE GREAT-Lk 9:48.

AND I WILL WRITE UPON HIM MY NEW NAME-Rev 3:12.

22-REWARDS:

IN GENERAL

Doing such a small thing as receiving a righteous man or giving a cup of cold water to a child of God shall be rewarded.

ANYONE WHO RECEIVES A PROPHET BECAUSE HE IS A PROPHET WILL RECEIVE A PROPHET'S REWARD, AND ANYONE WHO RECEIVES A RIGHTEOUS MAN BECAUSE HE IS A RIGHTEOUS MAN WILL RECEIVE A RIGHTEOUS MAN'S REWARD. AND IF ANYONE GIVES A CUP OF COLD WATER TO ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES BECAUSE HE IS MY DISCIPLE, I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, HE WILL CERTAINLY NOT LOSE HIS REWARD-Mt 10:41,42 NIV. FOR WHOSOEVER SHALL GIVE YOU A CUP OF WATER TO DRINK IN MY NAME, BECAUSE YE BELONG TO CHRIST, VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, HE SHALL NOT LOSE HIS REWARD-Mk 9:41.

23-A PARTIAL LIST OF REWARDS

- Everlasting life-ref Jn 3:16; Lk 18:30
- Called the sons of God-ref 1 Jn 3:1
- All things-ref Rev 21:7
- The Comforter-Jn 14:16; the Holy Ghost-ref Acts 5:32
- Members of His body, His flesh, His bones-ref Eph 5:30
- Not blot his name out of the book of life-ref Rev 3:5
- Obtain mercy-ref Mt 5:7
- Kept from the hour of temptation (the Tribulation)-ref Rev 3:10
- Jesus shall appear the second time-ref Heb 9:28
- Partakes of the first resurrection-ref Rev 20:6
- Those that sleep in Jesus, God will bring-ref 1 Thes 4:14
- Dead in Christ shall rise first-ref 1 Thes 4:16
- Caught up to meet the Lord in the air-ref 1 Thes 4:17
- Forever be with the Lord-ref 1 Thes 4:17
- Raised incorruptible-ref 1 Cor 15:52
- Changed-ref 1 Cor 15:52
- Receive a new spiritual body of flesh and bone-ref Lk 24:39
- Heirs of God-ref Ro 8:17
- Joint-heirs with Christ-ref Ro 8:17
- Glorified together-ref Ro 8:17
- Glory revealed in us-ref Ro 8:18
- Glorious liberty-ref Ro 8:21
- A child of God-ref Ro 8:21; called the children of God-ref Mt 5:9
- The firstfruits of the Spirit-ref Ro 8:23
- Adoption, the redemption of our body-ref Ro 8:23

- The marriage-ref Rev 19:7
- Arrayed in fine linen, clean and white-ref Rev 19:8,14
- Called to the marriage supper-ref Rev 19:9
- Clothed in white raiment-ref Rev 3:5
- Walk with Jesus in white-ref Rev 3:4
- Jesus writes upon us His new name-ref Rev 3:12
- Jesus writes upon us the name of His God-ref Rev 3:12
- Comforted-ref Mt 5:4; Lk 16:25
- Shall see God-ref Mt 5:8
- Shall be filled-ref Mt 5:6
- Manifold more in this present time-ref Lk 18:30
- Jesus will confess us before the angels of God-ref Lk 12:8
- Jesus will confess our name before His Father-ref Rev 3:5
- Be made a pillar in the temple of God-ref Rev 3:12
- Go no more out-ref Rev 3:12
- Fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple-ref Eph 2:21
- Builded together for an habitation of God-ref Eph 2:22
- Crown of rejoicing-ref 1 Thes 2:19
- Crown of righteousness-ref 2 Tim 4:8
- Crown of life-ref Ja 1:12; Rev 2:10
- Crown of glory-ref 1 Pe 5:4
- The saints return with Jesus-ref Zech 14:5
- The saints appear with Jesus in glory-ref Col 3:4
- A part of God's army-ref Rev 19:14
- Follow Jesus upon white horses-ref Rev 19:14
- Creature delivered from the bondage of corruption-ref Ro 8:21
- Creature delivered into the liberty of the children of God-ref Ro 8:21
- Inherit the earth-ref Mt 5:5
- A ruler over many things-ref Mt 25:23
- Enters into the joy of the Lord-ref Mt 25:23
- Authority over cities-ref Lk 19:17
- Power over the nations-ref Rev 2:26
- Kings unto God and His Father-ref Rev 1:6
- Priests unto God and His Father-ref Rev 1:6
- Priests of God-ref Rev 20:6
- Priests of Christ-ref Rev 20:6
- Reign with Jesus a thousand years-ref Rev 20:6
- Twelve apostles judge the twelve tribes of Israel-ref Mt 19:28
- May sit with Jesus in His throne-ref Rev 3:21
- Not hurt of the second death-ref Rev 2:11
- The second death has no power-ref Rev 20:6
- The new heaven-ref Rev 21:1
- The new earth-ref Rev 21:1
- Write upon the saints the name of New Jerusalem-ref Rev 3:12
- Tabernacle of God with men-ref Rev 21:3
- God will dwell with men-ref Rev 21:3
- Shall be the people of God-ref Rev 21:3
- God will be their God-ref Rev 21:3
- God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes-ref Rev 21:4
- No more death-ref Rev 21:4
- No more sorrow-ref Rev 21:4
- No more crying-ref Rev 21:4
- No more pain-ref Rev 21:4
- Former things are passed away-ref Rev 21:4
- Name in the Lamb's book of life-ref Rev 21:27
- May enter through the gates of the city-ref Rev 22:14
- Preserved unto His heavenly kingdom-ref 2 Tim 4:18

- Receive the kingdom of heaven-ref Mt 5:3
- Great reward-ref Lk 6:23; Mt 5:12
- The saints inherit the kingdom of heaven-ref Mt 5:10
- Called great in the kingdom of heaven-ref Mt 5:19
- A place (or mansion) prepared for you in the Father's house-ref Jn 14:2
- May eat of the tree of life-ref Rev 2:7
- May eat of the hidden manna-ref Rev 2:17
- Will receive a white stone-ref Rev 2:17
- A new name written in the white stone-ref Rev 2:17
- No man knows the new name except the person that receives it-ref Rev 2:17
- Receives the morning star-ref Rev 2:28
- Never hunger-ref Jn 6:35
- Never thirst-ref Jn 6:35
- Shall shine as the brightness of the firmament-ref Dan 12:3
- Shall shine as the stars for ever and ever-ref Dan 12:3
- Shine like the sun-ref Mt 13:43
- Shall be called great-ref Lk 9:48
- New name of Jesus written on you-ref Rev 3:12