

*A Life God Rewards pt 3.*

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- God is looking to reward you.

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- God rewards a life of humility.

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**For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father’s glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.**

**Two key points here:**

- 1 – Jesus is coming – Guaranteed!!**
- 2 – You can expect a reward**

**You go to Heaven based on the finished work of Jesus Christ on the Cross...Your reward in Heaven is based on what you do with what he gave you in this life.**

**Luke 14:1 (NIV)** One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

**Luke 14:7-14 (NIV)** –7 When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table. 8 “When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. 9 If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this person your seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. 10 But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. 11 For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

❖ Humility defines a life that God rewards.

12 Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back, and so you will be repaid. (This makes sense – it's the standard of how we live... I help you out; you get me the next time,) 13 But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, 14 and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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- *Apodidomai* = repayment
- *Misthos* = wages

Luke 6:23 (NIV) "Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your (Misthos - Wages) reward in Heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

1 Corinthians 3:13-15 (NIV) 13 their work will be shown for what it is, because the day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. 14 If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward [Misthos – Wages]. 15 If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV) And without faith, it is impossible to please God because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

❖ Faith + Obedience = Reward

"God is the Rewarder Who pays back your wages in return."- Bruce Wilkinson.

❖ Matthew 25:34-40 (NIV)

❖ Matthew 6:6 (NIV)

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