

A Life God Rewards Pt. 2.

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God is looking to reward you. → **Matthew 16:27 (NIV)**

Six Stages of your Eternal Life

(As categorized by Bruce Wilkinson)

1. **LIFE.** *You are created in the image of God for a life of purpose.*

1 Thessalonians 5:23 (NIV)

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. **DEATH.** *You die physically, but not spiritually.*

2 Corinthians 5:8 (NIV)

We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

3. **DESTINATION.** *Your destination after death, is determined by what you believed on earth.*

Matthew 23:33b (NIV)

How will you escape being condemned to hell?

John 3:16-18 (NIV)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

4. **RESURRECTION.** *You receive a resurrected body.*

Philippians 3:20-21 (NIV)

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

5. **REPAYMENT.** *You receive your reward or retribution for eternity based on what you did on earth.*

Revelation 20:11-15 (NIV)

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

- ### Matthew 25:46 (NIV)

You go to Heaven based on what Jesus did on the Cross, your reward in Heaven is based on what you do in this life with what He gave you.



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