

LIVING WITH ETERNITY IN VIEW

Series: "EVERY MOMENT MATTERS", Part 3 of 3

Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Text: 1 Corinthians 3:10-15, and other selected texts that speak to the issue of rewards

Big Idea: The knowledge that each of us will give an account of himself or herself to God means that every moment matters.

Jeremiah 17:10, "I the Lord search the heart and examine the mind, to **reward** a man according to his conduct, according to what his deeds deserve."

Psalms 62:11-12, "One thing God has spoken, two things have I heard: that you, O God, are strong, ¹²and that you, O Lord, are loving. Surely you will **reward each person** according to what he has done."

Proverbs 24:11-12, "Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter. ¹²If you say, "But we knew nothing about this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not **repay each person** according to what he has done?"

1 Corinthians 3:10-15, "By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds. ¹¹For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹²If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, ¹³his 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 man's work. ¹⁴If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. ¹⁵If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames."

1. Let's build on the right foundation; because only one is solid.

1 Corinthians 3:11, "For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ."

The Savior Question

The Stewardship Question

John 14:6b, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

2. Let's build with quality; because quality determines durability.

Psalms 121:7b-8, "He will watch over your life; ⁸the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

Matthew 11:22, "But I tell you, it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you."

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2 John 8 says, "Watch yourselves, **that you might not lose** what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward." {NASV}

3. Let's build with urgency; because this life is like a mist.

James 4:14, "Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes."

Revelation 22:12, "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done."