

“IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SALVATION & REWARDS?”

I. WHAT IS THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST?

II. IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SALVATION & REWARDS?

A. The Difference Between God’s Judgment of Unbelievers and Believers

1. Before a person can be _____ by God for good deeds, that person needs to be _____ for their sins. (Rom. 4:3-8; Col. 2:13-14 vs. Acts 10:43)
2. After a person is eternally saved by faith alone in Christ, God no longer sees that person _____ but _____. (Eph. 2:1; 1:3)

B. The Contrasts Between Eternal Salvation and Rewards

1. Salvation is offered to _____ (Acts 4:12), while rewards are offered to _____ (1 Cor. 1:2; 3:9-15)
2. Salvation is received by grace through faith alone in Christ alone _____ (Rom. 4:5-8); whereas rewards are obtained by grace through _____ resulting in Christ-honoring works (Matt. 16:27; Rev. 22:12)

** Are rewards given strictly on the basis of merit? (1 Cor. 15:10; 2 Cor. 9:8; 1 Pt. 4:10-11)*

** What should be your perspective on service and rewards as a believer? (Lk. 14:14; 17:9-10)*

3. Salvation is received in response to faith at a _____ (Acts 16:31); whereas rewards are given in response to faithfulness _____ (1 Cor. 9:24-27; 2 Tim. 4:6-8).

4. Salvation focuses upon resolving man's _____ (Eph. 2:1), whereas the focus of rewards is upon _____ to Christ (1 Cor. 3:13-14; Heb. 9:27-28).
5. Salvation can _____ (John 10:28-29), whereas rewards _____ (1 Cor. 3:15; 2 John 8; Mk. 9:41).
6. Salvation determines a person's eternal _____ (Rev. 20:11-15; 21:8; 22:15); whereas rewards determine your _____ in the kingdom (Phil. 3:11-14; 2 Tim. 2:12-13).
7. Salvation is a matter of being fully _____ (Eph. 1:6), but rewards are a matter of being _____ to the Lord (2 Cor. 5:8-10).
8. Salvation is the _____ for all believers (Eph. 1:3); while not all believers will share the same _____ of reward (Phil. 3:11; Heb. 11:35).

** What will both salvation and rewards similarly result in? (Rev. 4-5)*