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God is Love

1 John 4:8

Scriptures/Notes

## Kingdom of Heaven

### Seven Crowns

Living for the Lord with trust and faithfulness during this earthen lifetime, we will be rewarded in our eternal life in the Kingdom with crowns. We all will have at least one crown as a believer in Christ; however, some will receive more than one, while others will be deserving of all seven crowns.

After being made righteous in Christ, we should always be rejoicing and glorifying His name with much thanksgiving. Our attitude and behavior reflects the degree of our faithfulness and willingness to live for the Lord. We can see the tremendous impact our lifestyle of today has towards our eternal future.

### Kingdom Crowns

Crown of Separation

Crown of Protection

Crown of Incorruptibility

Crown of Righteousness

Crown of Rejoicing

Crown of Glory

Crown of Life

Notice the sequence or order of the crowns. When we chose to separate ourselves from the world and be born in Christ in the spirit, we gain protection, our corruption (sin) has been destroyed (Cross), given righteousness in Christ for the Father; whereby, we rejoice with much thanksgiving for the glory of our Almighty King, and given eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven. Once we begin to see understand and live with this understanding today, we realize the crowns we will be given by Christ for our eternal lifestyle in the New Jerusalem. So, if you desire to have heavenly crowns, live today as though you possess them, for in reality you do!

1. Crown of Separation - Separate from the world, be set aside through Christ for God. God sets us aside as peculiar people, special by divine design as well as divine purpose. We are of God and belong to Him. He has given us a rebirth through Christ's blood, sanctified unto a holy people.

*All the days of his separation he is holy to the Lord.* Numbers 6:8

*But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.* 1 Peter 2:9

2. Crown of Protection - God is all powerful and it is He who is our protector which is a blessing reserved for the righteous person in Christ. Just as Christ is our seal of betrothal, He is also gives us holiness before our heavenly Father. He is our shield of grace.

*For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.* Psalm 5:12

*He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.* Psalm 91:1-2

*He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings, shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.* Psalm 91:4

3. Crown of Incorruptibility - In our rebirth in Christ, we change from sinner to saint. It is victory over death and sin through Christ given at the Cross. We are no longer corrupted because of sin, freed in Christ.

*Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we are incorruptible.* 1 Corinthians 9:24-25

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance **incorruptible**, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you. 1 Peter 3-4*

All things on this earth are subject to decay and will perish. Jesus instructs us to not store our treasures on earth, for they will not endure.

*Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but 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. Matthew 9:19-21*

4. Crown of Righteousness - We inherit this crown through the righteousness of Christ. This crown is not for those who depend upon their own sense of righteousness, or of their own works. Each person who believes in God's Son lives a life of righteousness given in Christ for the Father will receive a crown of righteousness.

*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 Timothy 4:8*

5. Crown of Rejoicing - We are to always rejoice in the knowledge of God's Word. We give thanksgiving and glory to God continuously, in all that you do and in every situation or circumstance. Rejoice in the glory of our Almighty King.

*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? For ye are our glory and joy. 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20*

*Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, **Rejoice**. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Philippians 4:4-6*

6. Crown of Glory - There are many Scriptures that teach of the glory of God and of the Son. Our heavenly crown is given for honoring God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost at all times; every day and in every way. Our worshipping Him in love, trust, and pure faithfulness (without unbelief) will be rewarded in the Kingdom of Heaven with a very special crown.

*And when the chief of Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. 1 Peter 5:4*

*To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen Galatians 1:5*

7. Crown of Life - The crown of life is given to all who believe in Christ as our Lord and Savior, and have held steadfast to belief, trust, and faith in Him, solely.

*Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation for ten days; be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. Revelation 2:10*

*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. James 1:12*

*And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life. 1 John 2:25*

*I am the Lord: that is my name: and my glory will I not give another, neither my praise to graven images. Isaiah 42:8*

*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. Romans 8:18*

Summary:

Witness the elders at the throne of Almighty God.

*The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Revelations 4:10-11*

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