# Fighting the Good Fight, Finishing the Course, Keeping the Faith, and Loving the Lord's Appearing in Order to Morning Watch Receive the Reward of Christ as the Crown of Righteousness - Week 5 Aug. 19-25, 2024

# Receiving the Kingdom Reward of Christ as the Crown of Righteousness

## Monday 8/19

## 2 Tim. 4:1, 7-8

1 I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom:

**7** I have fought the good fight; I have finished the course; I have kept the faith.

**8** Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, with which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will recompense me in that day, and not only me but also all those who have loved His appearing.

#### 1 Thes. 5:23

23 And the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly, and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### John 14:21

**21** He who has My commandments and keeps them, he is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will manifest Myself to him.

## Matt. 24:45-46

**45** Who then is the faithful and prudent slave, whom the master has set over his household to give them food at the proper time?

46 Blessed is that slave whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing.

## Rev. 22:12

**12** Behold, I come quickly, and My reward is with Me to render to each one as his work is.

## Acts 26:16

16 But rise up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a minister and a witness both of the things in which you have seen Me and of the things in which I will appear to you;

**Further Reading:** HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping,,, Loving... Week 5, Day 1

## Tuesday 8/20

## James 1:<u>12</u>

12 Blessed is the man who endures trial, because when he has become approved by testing, he will receive the crown of life, which He promised to those who love Him.

## **James 2:5**

**5** Listen, my beloved brothers: Did not God choose the poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which He promised to those who love Him?

## 1 Cor. 9:25

25 And everyone who contends exercises self-control in all things; they then, that they may receive a corruptible crown, but we, an incorruptible.

## 1 Pet. 5:4

**4** And when the Chief Shepherd is manifested, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

#### Isa. 28:5

5 In that day Jehovah of hosts Will become a crown of beauty and a diadem of glory to the remnant of His people,

#### Matt. 16:27

27 For the Son of Man is to come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will repay each man according to his doings.

## 2 Cor 5:10

**10** For we must all be manifested before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done through the body according to what he has practiced, whether good or bad.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping,,, Loving... Week 5, Day 2* 

# Wednesday 8/21

## Phil. 3:9

**9** And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,

## Rom. 3:24

24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

#### Acts 13:39

**39** And from all the things from which you were not able to be justified by the law of Moses, in this One everyone who believes is justified.

## Gal. 3:24, 27

**24** So then the law has become our child-conductor unto Christ that we might be justified out of faith.

**27** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

## 1 Pet. 2:24

24 Who Himself bore up our sins in His body on the tree, in order that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose bruise you were healed.

#### Rev. 19:8

**8** And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteousnesses of the saints.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping,., Loving... Week 5, Day 3* 

## Thursday 8/22

## Psa. 45:13-14a

13 The King's daughter is all glorious within the royal abode; Her garment is a woven work inwrought with gold.

**14a** She will be led to the King in embroidered clothing;

## 1 Cor. 1:30

**30** But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became wisdom to us from God: both righteousness and sanctification and redemption,

## Luke 15:22-23

22 But the father said to his slaves, Bring out quickly the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.

23 And bring the fattened calf; slaughter it, and let us eat and be merry,

#### Jer. 23:6

**6** In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell securely; And this is His name by which He will be called, Jehovah our righteousness.

#### 2 Pet. 1:4

**4** Through which He has granted to us precious and exceedingly great promises that through these

you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world by lust.

Rev. 19:8 See Wednesday

## **Rev. 3:18**

**18** I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined by fire that you may be rich, and white garments that you may be clothed and that the shame of your nakedness may not be manifested, and eyesalve to anoint your eyes that you may see.

**Further Reading:** HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping,,, Loving... Week 5, Day 4

## Friday 8/23

## 2 Tim. 4:18

18 The Lord will deliver me from every evil work and will save me into His heavenly kingdom, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Matt. 7:<u>21</u>

21 Not every one who says to Me, Lord, Lord, will enter into the kingdom of the heavens, but he who does the will of My Father who is in the heavens.

## Matt. 13:43a

**43a** Then the righteous will shine forth like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

## 2 Pet. 1:10-11

10 Therefore, brothers, be the more diligent to make your calling and selection firm, for doing these things you shall by no means ever stumble.

11 For in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be richly and bountifully supplied to you.

## Matt. 26:27-29

27 And He took a cup and gave thanks, and He gave it to them, saying, Drink of it, all of you,

28 For this is My blood of the covenant, which is being poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins

**29** But I say to you, I shall by no means drink of this product of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in the kingdom of My Father.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping.,, Loving... Week 5, Day 5* 

## Saturday 8/24

## Matt. 25:21

**21** His master said to him, Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful over a few things; I will set you over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.

#### **Rev. 20:6**

6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no authority, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

#### Matt. 8:11

11 But I say to you that many will come from the east and the west and will recline at table with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of the heavens,

#### Luke 18:29-30

29 And He said to them, Truly I say to you that there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God,

**30** Who shall not by all means receive back many times as much in this time, and in the coming age, eternal life.

## Rev. 2:26-28

**26** And he who overcomes and he who keeps My works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations;

**27** And he will shepherd them with an iron rod, as vessels of pottery are broken in pieces, as I also have received from My Father;

28 And to him I will give the morning star.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Fighting... Finishing... Keeping... Loving... Week 5, Day 6* 

## Lord's Day 8/25

#### Matt. 16:25-26

25 For whoever wants to save his soul-life shall lose it; but whoever loses his soul-life for My sake shall find it.

**26** For what shall a man be profited if he gains the whole world, but forfeits his soul-life? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul-life?

#### Matt. 25:23

23 His master said to him, Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful over a few things; I will set you over many things. Enter into the joy

of your master.

#### Luke 9:23-24

23 And He said to them all, If anyone wants to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me.

**24** For whoever wants to save his soul-life shall lose it; but whoever loses his soul-life for My sake, this one shall save it.

#### Heb. 10:37-39

**37** "For in yet a very little while the Coming One will come and will not delay.

**38** But My righteous one shall live by faith; and if he shrinks back, My soul does not delight in him."

**39** But we are not of those who shrink back to ruin but of them who have faith to the gaining of the soul.

#### 1 Pet 1:9

9 Receiving the end of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Hymn, #295

## **Further Reading:**

The Conclusion of the New Testament, msg. 186

#### **Churchwide Truth Pursuit**

**Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading** 

Scripture Reading and Copying: Heb. 10:1-10

Assigned Reading: Life-study of Heb, msgs. 47

## **Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study**

Crucial Point: The New Covenant: The More Excellent Ministry, the Better Promises, and the Better Covenant, through the Greater and More Perfect Tabernacle

**Scripture:** *Heb.* 8:1-10:18

Assigned Reading: Life-study of Hebrews, msgs. 35-39 Supplemental Reading: CWWN, vol. 9, "The Present Testimony (2)," The New Covenant (4)-(6); A General Sketch of the New Testament in the Light of Christ and the Church (part 3—Hebrews through Jude), ch. 27 Ouestions:

- 1. What is the difference, if any, among a promise, an oath, a covenant, and a testament?
- **2.** What does the new covenant include?
- **3.** In what ways are the ministry of the new covenant more excellent than the ministry of the old covenant and the promises of the new covenant better than the promises of the old covenant?
- 4. What is the significance of Christ as "a Minister of the holy places...a High Priest of the good things...through the greater and more perfect tabernacle?"

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