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Eternal Rewards

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.

1 Corinthians 9:24

Our view of eternity is so small compared to what God has in store for us.

1. Treasure

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:19-21

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

1 Timothy 6:17-19

2. God's Approval

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed…

2 Timothy 2:15

He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.'…Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it. The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.' 'Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.' The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.' His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.' Then another servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.' His master replied, 'I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? Why then didn't you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?' Then he said to those standing by, 'Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.'

Luke 19:12-13, 15-24

3. Special Clothing
They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. The one who is victorious will, like them, be dressed in white.

Revelation 3:4-5

4. Life Enhancing Foods
To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna.

Revelation 2:17

To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:7

5. A New Name
I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.

Revelation 2:17

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How we live life now has a huge impact on the quality of our eternal experience.