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Ephes. 2:8-10 (NLT) God saved you by his special favor

When you believed.

And you **can't** take credit for this;

It is a gift from God.

[9] Salvation is **not** a reward for the good things we have done,

So **none** of us can **boast** about it.

[10] For we are God's masterpiece.

He has created us **anew** in Christ Jesus,

So that we

Can do the good things He planned for us long ago.

Matthew 16:27 (NLT) For I, the Son of Man, will come in the Glory

Of My Father with his angels

And will judge all people according to their deeds.

Matthew 16:27 (KJV) For the Son of man shall come in the Glory

Of His Father with his angels;

And then He shall reward every man according to his works.

Luke 11:11-13 (KJV) If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father,

Will he give him a stone?

Or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

[12] Or if he shall ask an egg,

Will he offer him a scorpion?

[13] If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children:

How much more

Shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit

To them that ask Him?

Hebrews 11:24-26 (NLT) It was by faith that Moses,

When he grew up,

Refused to be treated as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

[25] He chose to share the oppression of God's people

Instead of enjoying the fleeting pleasures of sin.

[26] He thought it was better to suffer

For the sake of the Messiah than to **own** the treasures of Egypt,

For he was looking ahead to the great reward

That God would give him.

Matthew 16: 27 (ESV) For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels

In the Glory of his Father,

And then He will repay each person according to what he has done.

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1 Kings 2:1-4 (KJV) Now the days of David drew close

That he **should die**; And he **charged** Solomon his son, saying,

[2] **I go the way of all the earth:**

Be yourself **strong** from here on, and **show** yourself a man;

[3] And **keep** the charge of **the Lord** your **God**,

To walk **in His ways**, to **keep his statutes**, and **his commandments**,

And **His judgments**, and **his testimonies, as it is written**

In **the law** of Moses, **that you may prosper** in all that you **do**,

And where so ever you turn yourself:

[4] **That the Lord may continue his word which he spoke concerning** me,

Saying, if your children take heed to their way,

To walk **before Me in Truth with** all their heart and **with** all their soul,

There **shall not** fail you (**said He**) a man on the throne of Israel.

Psalms 19:7-11 (KJV) **The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul:**

The testimony of the Lord is sure,

Making wise the simple.

[8] **The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment**

Of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

[9] The **fear** of **the Lord** is **clean**, enduring forever:

The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

[10] **More** to be **desired** **are they** than gold,

Yes, than much fine **gold: Sweeter also** than honey and the honeycomb.

[11] **Moreover by them is Your** servant **warned:**

And in **keeping of them** there is **great reward.**

Ephesians 1:18 (NLT) **I pray** that your hearts **will be flooded with Light**

So that you **can understand the wonderful future He has promised**

To those **He called. I want you to realize**

What a **rich** and glorious **inheritance He has given to his** people.

Ephesians 1:17-19 (KJV) **That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory,**

May give unto you **the Spirit of wisdom and revelation**

In the knowledge of Him:

[18] The eyes of your **understanding** being **enlightened;**

That **you may know** what is the **hope** of **His calling**,

And **what** the **riches** of the **glory of His inheritance** in the saints,

[19] And **what** is **the exceeding greatness of His Power** to us-ward who **believe,**

According to the working of His Mighty Power,

[20] **Which He wrought in Christ,**

When He raised Him from the dead,

And set Him at His own right hand in the Heavenly places,

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Daniel 12:2-3 (NLT) Many of those whose bodies lie dead and buried
Will rise up,
Some to everlasting life
And some to shame and everlasting contempt.
[3] Those who are wise will shine as bright as the sky,
And those who turn many to righteousness
Will shine like stars forever.

Hebrews 11:6 (NLT) So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith.
Anyone who wants to come to Him
Must believe that there is a God and that he rewards
Those who sincerely seek Him.

1 Kings 2:1-4 (NLT) As the time of King David's death approached,
He gave this charge to his son Solomon:
[2] "I am going where everyone on earth must someday go.
Take courage and be a man.
[3] Observe the requirements of the Lord your God
And follow all His ways.
Keep each of the laws, commands, regulations, and stipulations
Written in the law of Moses
So that you will be successful In all you do and wherever you go.
[4] If you do this, then the Lord will keep the promise
He made to me:
'If your descendants live as they should and follow Me faithfully
With all their heart and soul,
One of them will always sit on the throne of Israel.'

Psalms 19:7-11 (NLT) The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.
The decrees of the Lord are trustworthy,
Making wise the simple.
[8] The commandments of the Lord are right,
Bringing joy to the heart.
The commands of the Lord are clear, giving insight to life.
[9] Reverence for the Lord is pure,
Lasting forever.
The laws of the Lord are true; each one is fair.
[10] They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold.
They are sweeter than honey, even honey dripping from the comb.
[11] They are a warning
To those who hear them;
There is great reward for those who obey them.

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Hebrews 11:6 (KJV) But without faith it is impossible to please Him:

For he that comes to God must believe that He is,
And that He is a rewarder
Of them that diligently seek Him.

Joshua 14:6-15 (NLT) A delegation from the tribe of Judah, led by Caleb

Son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite,
Came to Joshua at Gilgal. Caleb said to Joshua,

"Remember what the Lord said to Moses,

The man of God, about you and me when we were at Kadesh-barnea.

[7] I was forty years old when Moses, the servant of the Lord,

Sent me from Kadesh-barnea to explore the land of Canaan.

I returned and gave from my heart a good report,

[8] But my brothers who went with me frightened the people and discouraged them

From entering the Promised Land.

For my part,

I followed the Lord my God completely.

[9] So that day Moses promised me,

'The land of Canaan on which you were just walking

Will be your special possession

And that of your descendants forever,

Because you wholeheartedly followed the Lord my God.'

[10] "Now, as you can see, the Lord has kept me alive and well

As He promised for all these forty-five years since

Moses made this promise (promise spoken by Moses but given by God) —

Even while Israel wandered in the wilderness.

Today I am eighty-five years old.

[11] I am as strong now as I was when Moses sent me on that journey,

And I can still travel and fight as well as I could then.

[12] So I'm asking you to give me the hill country

That the Lord promised me.

You will remember that as scouts we found the Anakites

Living there in great, walled cities.

But if the Lord is with me, I will drive them out of the land,

Just as the Lord said."

[13] So Joshua blessed Caleb son of Jephunneh

And gave Hebron to him as an inheritance.

[14] Hebron still belongs to the descendants of Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite

Because he wholeheartedly followed the Lord, the God of Israel.

[15] (Previously Hebron had been called Kiriath-arba.

It had been named after Arba, a great hero of the Anakites.)

And the land had rest from war.

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- Joshua 14:6-15 (KJV) **Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal:**
And Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite **said** unto him,
You know the thing that the Lord said
Unto Moses the man **of God**
Concerning me **and** you in Kadesh-barnea.
- [7] **Forty** years old was I **when** Moses the servant **of the Lord** sent me from Kadesh-Barnea **to spy out the land;**
And I **brought** him **word again** as it was in mine heart.
- [8] Nevertheless my brethren
That went up **with** me **made** the heart of the people **melt:**
But I **wholly followed the Lord** my **God.**
- [9] **And Moses swore on that day, saying,**
Surely the land **where upon** your feet **have trodden**
Shall **be** your **inheritance,**
And your children's **forever,**
Because you have wholly followed the Lord my **God.**
- [10] And now, behold, **the Lord has kept** me **alive,**
As He said, these **forty and five** years, **ever since the Lord**
Spoke this Word unto Moses,
While the children of Israel **wandered** in the wilderness:
And **now,** lo, I am **this day** fourscore and five years old (85).
- [11] **As yet I am as strong this day**
As I was in the **day that** Moses sent me:
As my **strength was then,** even so **is my strength now,**
For war, both to go out, and to come in.
- [12] Now therefore **give me this mountain, of what the Lord spoke in that day;**
For you **heard** in **that day** how the Anakims **were there,**
And that the **cities** were **great and fenced:**
If so be **the Lord** will be **with** me,
Then I shall be able to drive them out, as the Lord said.
- [13] And Joshua **blessed** him,
And **gave unto** Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron **for an inheritance.**
- [14] Hebron therefore **became** the **inheritance**
Of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite
Unto this day, **because he totally followed the Lord God of** Israel.
- [15] And the name of Hebron before **was** Kirjath-arba; Which Arba was a great man
Among the Anakims. And the land **had rest** from war.
- Mark 10:21 (KJV) **Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him,**
One thing you lack: Go your way, **sell whatever** you have,
And **give to** the poor, **and you shall have treasure in Heaven:**
And come, **take** up the **cross,** and **follow Me.**

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Mark 10:21 (NLT) Jesus felt genuine love for this man as he looked at him.

"You lack only one thing," He told him.

"Go and sell all you have and give the money to the poor,

And you will have treasure in Heaven.

Then come, follow Me."

1 Cor. 3:8-13 (KJV) Now he that plants and he that waters are one:

And every man shall receive his own reward

According to his own labor.

[9] For we are laborers together with God: you are God's husband,

You are God's building.

[10] According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise master builder,

I have laid the foundation,

And another builds there on.

But let every man pay attention how he builds there upon.

[11] For other foundation can no man lay

Than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

[12] Now if any man build upon this foundation gold,

Silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

[13] Every man's work shall be made manifest:

For the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire;

And the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

1 Cor. 3:8-13 (NLT) The one who plants and the one who waters

Work as a team with the same purpose.

Yet they will be rewarded individually,

According to their own hard work.

[9] We work together as partners who belong to God.

You are God's field, God's building—not ours.

[10] Because of God's special favor to me,

I have laid the foundation like an expert builder.

Now others are building on it.

But whoever is building on this foundation must be very careful.

[11] For no one can lay any other foundation

Than the one we already have —Jesus Christ.

[12] Now anyone who builds on that foundation may use gold,

Silver, jewels, wood, hay, or straw.

[13] But there is going to come a time of testing

At the judgment day

To see what kind of work each builder has done.

Everyone's work will be put through the fire

To see whether or not it keeps its value.

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James 1:22-25 (NLT) And remember, it is a Message to obey,
Not just to listen to.

If you don't obey,
You are only fooling yourself.

[23] For if you just listen
And don't obey, it is like looking at your face in a mirror
But doing nothing to improve your appearance.

[24] You see yourself, walk away
And forget what you look like.

[25] But if you keep looking steadily into God's perfect law —
The law that sets you free —
And if you do what it says
And don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.

James 1:22-25 (KJV) But be you doers of the Word,
And not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

[23] For if any be a hearer of the Word,
And not a doer,
He is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

[24] For he beholds himself, and goes his way,
And straightaway forgets
What manner of man he was.

[25] But whoever looks into the perfect law of liberty, and continues therein,
He being not a forgetful hearer,
But a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Hebrews 11:24-26 (KJV) By faith Moses, when he was come to years,
Refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

[25] Choosing rather to suffer affliction
With the people of God,
Than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

[26] Esteeming the reproach of Christ
Greater riches than the treasures in Egypt:
For he had respect unto the recompense (compensation) of the reward.

Psalms 18:20-22 (KJV) The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness
(God's additional blessing's to a believer's actions of faith)

According to the cleanness of my hands
Has He recompensed me.

[21] For I have kept the ways of the Lord,
And have not wickedly departed from my God.

[22] For all His judgments were before me,
And I did not put away His statutes from me.

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Psalm 18:20-22 (NLT) The Lord rewarded me for doing right;

He compensated me because of my innocence.

[21] For I have kept the ways of the Lord;

I have not turned from my God to follow evil.

[22] For all His laws are constantly before me; I have never abandoned his principles.

Psalm 33:13-19 (KJV) The Lord looks from Heaven;

He beholds all the sons of men.

[14] From the place of His habitation he looks upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

[15] He fashions their hearts alike; he considers all their works.

[16] There is no king saved by the multitude of an host:

A mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

[17] An horse is a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver any by his great strength.

[18] Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him,

Upon them that hope in His mercy;

[19] To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

Matthew 18:19-20 (KJV) Again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth

As touching any thing that they shall ask,

It shall be done for them of My Father which is in Heaven.

[20] For where two or three are gathered together in My Name,

There am I in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:19-20 (NLT) "I also tell you this:

If two of you agree down here on earth concerning anything you ask,

My Father in Heaven will do it for you.

[20] For where two or three gather together because they are Mine,

I am there among them."

1 Peter 1:17 (NLT) And remember that the Heavenly Father to whom you pray

Has no favorites when He judges.

He will judge or reward you according to what you do.

So you must live in reverent fear of Him

During your time as foreigners here on earth.

1 Peter 1:17 (KJV) And if you call on the Father,

Who without respect of persons judges according to every man's work,

Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

1 Peter 1:17 (ESV) And if you call on Him as Father

Who judges impartially according to each one's deeds,

Conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,

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Isaiah 40:10-11 (KJV) Behold, the Lord God will come with Strong hand,
And His arm shall Rule for him: behold, his reward is with him,
And His work before him.

[11] He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm,
And carry them in His bosom,
And shall gently lead those that are with young.

Isaiah 40:10-11 (NLT) Yes, the Sovereign Lord is coming in all his Glorious Power.
He will Rule with Awesome Strength.

See, He brings his reward with him as he comes.

[11] He will feed his flock like a shepherd.
He will carry the lambs in his arms, holding them close to his heart.
He will gently lead the mother sheep with their young.

Isaiah 40:10-11 (ESV) Behold, the Lord God comes with Might,
And His arm Rules for him; behold, his reward is with him,
And His recompense (compensation) before him.

¹¹ He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms;
He will carry them in his bosom,
And gently lead those that are with young.

Isaiah 3:8-11 (ESV) For Jerusalem has stumbled, and Judah has fallen,
Because their speech and their deeds are against the Lord,
Defying His Glorious Presence.

⁹ For the look on their faces bears witness against them; They proclaim their sin
Like Sodom; they do not hide it.

Woe to them! For they have brought evil on themselves.

¹⁰ Tell the righteous that it shall be

Well with them, for they will eat the fruit of their deeds.

¹¹ Woe to the wicked! It shall be ill with him,

Isaiah 3:8-11 (KJV) For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen:
Because their tongue and their doings are against the Lord,
To provoke the eyes of His Glory.

[9] The show of their countenance does witness against them;

And they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not.

Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.

[10] Say you to the righteous, that it shall be well with him:

For they shall eat the fruit of their doings.

[11] Woe unto the wicked!

It shall be ill with him: For the reward of his hands shall be given him.

For what his hands have dealt out shall be done to him.

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Isaiah 3:8-11 (NLT) **Judah and Jerusalem will lie in ruins**

Because they speak out **against the Lord** and **refuse** to obey **him**.

They have **offended His Glorious Presence** among them.

[9] The **very look on their faces gives them away**

And **displays their guilt**.

They **sin** openly **like** the people of **Sodom**.

They **are not** one bit **ashamed**. How **terrible** it will be **for** them!

They **have brought** about **their own destruction**.

[10] **But** all will be **well** for those who **are godly**.

Tell them, "**You will receive** a wonderful **reward!**"

[11] But say to the **wicked**,

"Your **destruction** is sure. You, too, **will get** what you **deserve**.

Your well-earned **punishment is on the way.**"

Hebrews 11:5-6 (ESV) **By faith Enoch was taken up**

So that he **should not** see death,

And he was not found, because God had taken him.

Now **before** he was **taken** he was **commended** as having **pleased God**.

⁶ **And without faith** it is **impossible** to please **Him**,

For whoever would draw near **to God**

Must believe that **He exists and that he rewards** those who **seek him**.

Jeremiah 17:9-10 (ESV) **The heart is deceitful above all things,**

And desperately **sick**; who **can** understand **it**?

¹⁰ **"I the Lord search** the heart **and test** the mind,

To give every man **according to** his ways,

According to the fruit of his deeds."

Matthew 18:18-20 (ESV) **Truly, I say to you,**

Whatever you **bind** on earth **shall be bound in Heaven**,

And whatever you **loose** on earth **shall be loosed in Heaven**.

¹⁹ **Again I say to** you, **if two of you agree** on earth

About **anything** they ask,

It will be done for them **by My Father in Heaven**.

²⁰ For **where** two or three are gathered **in My Name, there am I among** them."

Psalms 19:9-11 (ESV) The **fear of the Lord** is **clean**, enduring forever;

The rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

¹⁰ **More** to be desired **are they** than gold, even much fine gold;

Sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

¹¹ Moreover, **by them is** your servant **warned**;

In keeping **them** there is **great reward**.

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Ephesians 1:15-19 (ESV) **For this reason**, because I have heard

Of your **faith** in *the Lord Jesus*

And your **love toward** all the saints,

¹⁶ I **do not** cease to **give thanks** for you, **remembering you in my prayers**,

¹⁷ **That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

The Father of Glory,

May give you **a Spirit of wisdom**

And of **revelation in the knowledge of Him,**

Having the eyes of your hearts **enlightened,**

¹⁸ **That you may know** what is the **hope to which He has called** you,

What are the **riches**

Of His Glorious inheritance in the saints,

¹⁹ And what is **the immeasurable Greatness of His Power toward** us

Who **believe,**

According **to the working of His Great Might**

²⁰ **That He worked in Christ**

When **He raised Him from the dead**

And seated Him at His right hand in the Heavenly places,

Jeremiah 17:9-10 (NLT) "**The human heart is most deceitful and desperately wicked.**

Who really knows **how bad it is?**

[10] **But I know! I, the Lord, search** all hearts **and examine** secret motives.

I give all people **their due rewards,**

According to what their actions deserve."

Luke 6:32-36 (ESV) "**If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you?**

For **even sinners love** those who **love** them.

³³ And **if you do good** to those who **do good** to you,

What benefit is that to you? For **even sinners do** the same.

³⁴ And **if you lend to** those **from** whom you **expect to receive,**

What credit is that to you?

Even **sinners lend to sinners, to get back** the **same** amount.

³⁵ But **love** your **enemies,** and **do good,** and **lend,**

Expecting nothing in return,

And **your reward will be great,** and you **will be sons** of **the Most High,**

For He is kind to the **ungrateful** and the **evil.**

³⁶ **Be merciful, even as** your **Father is merciful.**

Samuel 26:23 (NLT) **The Lord gives his own reward** for **doing good**

And for **being loyal,**

And I **refused** to kill you even when **the Lord placed** you in my power,

For you are **the Lord's anointed** one.

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Revelation 11:14-19 (ESV) (The Seventh Trumpet) **Then the seventh angel**
Blew his trumpet, and there were **loud voices** in **Heaven**, **saying**,
"The kingdom **of** the world
Has **become** **the Kingdom of** our **Lord and of his Christ**,
And He shall reign forever and ever."

¹⁶ And the twenty-four **elders** who sit **on** their thrones **before God** fell **on** their faces
And **worshiped God**,

¹⁷ **Saying**, "**We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was,**
For You have taken
Your Great Power and begun to reign.

¹⁸ **The nations raged**, but **Your wrath came**,
And the **time** for the **dead** to be **judged**,
And for rewarding Your servants, the prophets and saints,
And those who **fear Your Name**,
Both small and great,
And for destroying the **destroyers of** the earth."

¹⁹ **Then God's temple in Heaven was opened**,
And **the ark of His covenant** was **seen within his temple**.
There were flashes of lightning, **rumblings, peals of thunder**,
An earthquake, and heavy hail.

1 Matthew 5:1-12 (ESV) **Seeing** the crowds, **He went up on the mountain**,
And when He sat down, his disciples came **to him**.

² **And He opened his mouth and taught** them, **saying**:

³ "**Blessed are** the **poor** in spirit,
For theirs **is the Kingdom of Heaven**.

⁴ "**Blessed are** those who **mourn**, for they shall be **comforted**.

⁵ "**Blessed are** the **meek**, for they shall **inherit** the earth.

⁶ "**Blessed are** those who **hunger**
And **thirst** for **righteousness**, **for they shall be satisfied**.

⁷ "**Blessed are** the **merciful**, for they shall **receive mercy**.

⁸ "**Blessed are** the **pure in heart**, for they shall **see God**.

⁹ "**Blessed are** the **peacemakers**, **for they shall be called sons of God**.

¹⁰ "**Blessed are** those who are **persecuted** for righteousness' sake,
For theirs **is the Kingdom of Heaven**.

¹¹ "**Blessed are** you when others **revile** you and **persecute** you
And **utter** all **kinds of evil against** you **falsely** on **My account**.

¹² **Rejoice** and be **glad**, for your **reward** is great **in Heaven**,
For so they **persecuted** the prophets **who were before you**.

Rev. 22:12 (KJV) And, behold, **I come quickly; and my reward is with me**,
To give every man **according as his work** so shall it be.

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Luke 6:27-38 (ESV) "But I say to you who hear, love your enemies,
Do good to those who hate you,
²⁸ Bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.
²⁹ To one who strikes you on the cheek,
Offer the other also, And from one who takes away your cloak
Do not withhold your tunic either.
³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods
Do not demand them back.
³¹ And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.
³² "If you love those who love you,
What benefit is that to you?
For even sinners love those who love them.
³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you?
For even sinners do the same.
³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive,
What credit is that to you?
Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount.
³⁵ But love your enemies, and do good, and lend,
Expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great,
And you will be sons of the Most High,
For He is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.
³⁶ Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.
³⁷ "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not,
And you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven;
³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you.
Good measure, pressed down, shaken together,
Running over, will be put into your lap.
For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Luke 16:9-13 (ESV) And I tell you, make friends for yourselves
By means of unrighteous wealth,
So that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.
¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much,
And one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much.
¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth,
Who will entrust to you the true riches?
¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you
That which is your own?
¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one
And love the other,
Or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other.
You cannot serve God and money."

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1 Samuel 26:23 (KJV) The Lord render (to give in return) to every man his righteousness
And his **faithfulness**:

For the Lord delivered you into my hand today,
But I **would not** stretch forth mine hand **against the Lord's anointed**.

1 Samuel 26:17-25 (ESV) Saul recognized David's voice and said,

"Is **this** your voice, my son David?"

And David said, "It is my voice, my lord, O king."

¹⁸ And he **said**, "Why does my lord **pursue after** his servant? **For what have I done?**
What evil is on my hands?"

¹⁹ Now therefore **let** my lord the king **hear the words of his servant**.

If it is the Lord

Who has **stirred** you up **against** me, **may he accept** an offering,

But if it is men, may they **be cursed** before the Lord,

For they **have driven** me out this day

That I should have **no share** in the **heritage** of the Lord,

Saying, 'Go, serve **other** gods.'

²⁰ Now therefore, **let not my blood fall to the earth** away from the presence of the Lord,

For the king of Israel has **come out** to **seek** a single flea

Like one who **hunts** a partridge **in** the mountains."

²¹ **Then Saul said**, "I have **sinned**. Return, my son David,

For I will **no more** do you harm,

Because my life **was precious** in your eyes this day.

Behold, I have **acted foolishly**, and have **made** a great **mistake**."

²² And David **answered** and **said**, "Here is the spear,

O king! **Let one** of the young men **come over** and **take it**.

²³ The Lord rewards every man for his **righteousness**

And his **faithfulness**,

For the Lord gave you into my hand today,

And I **would not** put out my hand **against the Lord's anointed**.

²⁴ Behold, as your **life** was **precious** this day **in my sight**,

So **may** my life **be precious in the sight of the Lord**,

And **may He** deliver me **out of** all tribulation."

²⁵ **Then Saul said** to David, "**Blessed** be you, my son David! You **will do many things**

And **will succeed** in them."

So David **went** his way, and Saul **returned** to his place.

Ephes. 6:8 (NLT) **Remember that the Lord will reward** each one of us

For the good we do, whether we **are** slaves **or** free.

1 Peter 5:4 (KJV) And when the Chief Shepherd shall appear,

You shall **receive a crown of glory** that fades **not** away.

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Isaiah 3:10-11 (ESV) Tell the righteous that **it shall be well with them,**
For they shall eat the fruit of their deeds.

¹¹ **Woe** to the **wicked!** **It shall be ill with him,**
For what his hands have dealt out shall be **done** to him.

Isaiah 61:8 (NLT) "**For I, the Lord, love justice. I hate** robbery and wrongdoing.
I will faithfully reward my people for their **suffering**
And make an everlasting covenant with them.

Matthew 6:1-4 (ESV) "**Beware of practicing your righteousness before** other people
In order to be seen by them,

For **then** you will have **no** reward from your **Father who is in Heaven.**

² "Thus, when you **give** to the needy, **sound no** trumpet before you,
As the hypocrites **do** in the synagogues **and in** the streets,
That they **may be praised by others.**

Truly, I say to you, they **have received** their reward.

³ But **when** you **give** to the needy, **do not** let your left hand **know**
What your right hand is doing,

⁴ **So that** your **giving** may be **in secret.**
And your **Father who sees in secret will reward you.**

Matthew 6:16-18 (ESV) "**And when you fast, Do not look gloomy like** the hypocrites,
For they disfigure their faces

That their fasting **may** be **seen** by others.

Truly, I say to you, they have **received** their reward.

¹⁷ But **when** you fast, **anoint** your head **and wash** your face,

¹⁸ **That** your **fasting may not be seen by others** but **by** your **Father who is in secret.**
And your **Father who sees in secret will reward you.**

Rev. 11:18 (KJV) **And the nations were angry, and Your wrath is come,**

And the time of the dead, that they should be judged,

And that **You should give reward unto your servants** the prophets,

And **to** the saints, **and them that fear Your Name,** small and great;

And should destroy them which **destroy** the earth.

Ephesians 6:5-8 (ESV) **Slaves, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling,**
With a sincere heart, as you **would Christ,**

⁶ **Not by** the **way** of eye-service, **as** people-pleasers,

But as servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart,

⁷ Rendering **service** with a **good will** as **to the Lord** and **not** to man,

⁸ **Knowing** that whatever **good** anyone **does,** this he will **receive back from the Lord,**
Whether he is a slave **or** free.

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2 John 1:8 (NLT) **Watch out**, so that you do not lose the prize

For **which** we have been **working** so hard.

Be diligent so that **you will receive your full reward**.

2 John 1:7-9 (ESV) For many **deceivers** have gone **out** into the world,

Those who **do not** confess *the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh*.

Such a one **is** the **deceiver** and the **antichrist**.

Watch yourselves, so that you **may not lose** what we have **worked** for,

But **may win a full reward**.

⁹ Everyone who goes on ahead and **does not** abide in *the teaching of Christ*,

Does not have **God**.

Whoever abides **in the teaching** has **both the Father and the Son**.

Rev. 22:12 (NLT) "See, **I am coming soon**, and **my reward is with me**,

To repay all according to their deeds.

John 12:44-50 (ESV) *And Jesus cried out and said*, "Whoever believes **in me**,

Believes not in **Me** but **in Him who sent me**.

⁴⁵ And whoever sees **Me** sees **Him who sent me**.

⁴⁶ **I have come into** the world **as Light**,

So that whoever **believes in Me** **may not remain in** darkness.

⁴⁷ **If** anyone **hears My Words** and **does not** keep **them**,

I do not judge him;

For I did not come to judge the world **but to save** the world.

⁴⁸ **The one who rejects Me** and **does not** receive **my words** has a **judge**;

The Word that I have spoken will judge him **on** the last day.

⁴⁹ **For I have not** spoken on **my own** authority,

But the Father who sent Me

Has Himself given Me a commandment--- What to say

And **what to speak**.

⁵⁰ **And I know that His commandment is eternal life**.

What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told me."

Revelation 22:10-14 (ESV) *And He said to me*, "Do **not** seal up **the Words**

Of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.

¹¹ **Let** the **evildoer** still do **evil**, and the **filthy** still be **filthy**,

And the **righteous** still do **right**, and the **holy** still be **holy**."

¹² "Behold, **I am coming soon, bringing my recompense** (reward) **with me**,

To repay everyone **for what he has done**.

¹³ **I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."**

¹⁴ **Blessed** are those **who wash** their robes, so that they **may have** the **right**

To the tree of life and that they **may enter** the city by the **gates**.

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Psalms 31:1-24 (ESV) **In You, O Lord, do I take refuge;**

Let me **never be put** to shame; **in Your righteousness** deliver me!

² Incline **Your ear** to me; **rescue** me speedily! **Be a rock** of refuge for me,
A strong **fortress** to save me!

³ For **You are** my **rock** and my **fortress**; and for **your name's** sake
You lead me **and guide** me;

⁴ **You take** me **out** of the net they **have hidden** for me, for **you are** my **refuge**.

⁵ Into **Your hand** I **commit** my spirit; **you have redeemed** me, **O Lord, faithful God**.

⁶ I **hate** those **who pay regard to worthless idols**, but I **trust** in **the Lord**.

⁷ I will **rejoice** and be glad **in Your steadfast love**, because **you have seen** my **affliction**;
You have known the **distress** of my soul,

⁸ **And You have not** delivered me **into** the hand of the **enemy**;
You have set my feet **in** a **broad** place.

⁹ Be **gracious** to me, **O Lord**, for I am **in distress**; my eye is **wasted** from **grief**;
My soul and my body also.

¹⁰ For my life **is spent** with **sorrow**, and my years **with sighing**;
My **strength fails** because **of** my **iniquity**, and my bones **waste away**.

¹¹ **Because** of all my **adversaries** I have **become a reproach**, especially to my neighbors,
And an **object** of **dread** to my acquaintances;
Those who **see** me in the street **flee** from me.

¹² I have **been forgotten like** one who is **dead**; **I have become like a broken vessel**.

¹³ For I **hear** the **whispering** of many--- **terror** on **every** side!---
As they **scheme** together **against** me, as they **plot** to **take** my life.

¹⁴ But I **trust** in **You, O Lord**; I say, "**You are** my **God**."

¹⁵ **My times are** **in Your hand**; **rescue** me **from** the hand of my **enemies** and persecutors!

¹⁶ Make **Your face shine** on **your** servant; **save** me **in your steadfast love**!

¹⁷ **O Lord**, let me **not be put** to shame, for I **call upon you**;
Let the **wicked** be **put** to **shame**; Let them **go** silently to **Sheol** (grave).

¹⁸ **Let** the lying lips **be mute**,
Which **speak insolently against** the **righteous** in **pride** and **contempt**.

¹⁹ Oh, how **abundant** is **Your goodness, which you have stored up for** those
Who **fear You** and **worked** **for those who take refuge in you**,
In the sight of the children of mankind!

²⁰ **In the cover of Your presence you hide** them **from** the plots of men;
You store them **in your shelter** **from** the strife of tongues.

²¹ Blessed **be the Lord, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me**
When I was in a **besieged** city.

²² **I had said** in my **alarm**, "I am **cut off** from **Your sight**." **But you heard**
The voice of my **pleas for mercy** when I **cried to You** for help.

²³ **Love the Lord**, all you **his** saints! **The Lord preserves the faithful**
But abundantly repays the one who **acts in pride**.

²⁴ **Be strong**, and let your heart **take courage**, all you who **wait** for **the Lord**!

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Peter 5:1-7 (ESV) So I **exhort** (urge strongly) **the elders among you**,
As a fellow elder and a **witness** of **the sufferings of Christ**,
As well as a partaker **in the Glory that is going to be revealed**:
² **Shepherd** the flock **of God** that is among you,
Exercising **oversight**, not under compulsion, but **willingly**,
As God would have you; **Not** for shameful gain, **but eagerly**;
³ **Not domineering over those** in your charge, but **being examples** to the flock.
⁴ **And when the Chief Shepherd appears**,
You will **receive** the unfading **crown of glory**.
⁵ Likewise, you who **are** younger, be **subject** to the **elders**. **Clothe** yourselves, all of you,
With humility toward one another,
For "God opposes the **proud** but **gives grace to** the **humble**."
⁶ **Humble** yourselves, therefore, **under the Mighty hand of God** so that
At the **proper** time **He may exalt** you,
⁷ **Casting all your anxieties on Him**, because **he cares for** you.

Isaiah 3:10-11 (KJV) **Say you to the righteous, that it shall be well with him:**
For they **shall eat** the **fruit** of their **doings**.
[11] **Woe** unto the **wicked! it shall be ill with him:**
For the **reward** of his **hands** shall be **given** him.

Luke 16:9 (NLT) **I tell** you, use your worldly resources **to benefit others**
And **make friends**. In this way,
Your **generosity** stores up a **reward** for you **in Heaven**.

Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV) It is a **fearful** thing to **fall into the hands of the living God**.
³² But **recall** the former days **when, after you were enlightened**,
You **endured** a hard struggle with sufferings,
³³ **Sometimes being** publicly exposed to **reproach** and **affliction**,
And sometimes being partners with those so treated.
³⁴ For you **had compassion** on those in **prison**,
And you **joyfully accepted** the plundering of your property,
Since you **knew** that you yourselves
Had a better possession and an **abiding one**.
³⁵ Therefore **do not** throw away your **confidence, which has a great reward**.
³⁶ For **you have need of endurance**, so that **when you have done the will of God**
You **may receive what is promised**.
³⁷ For, "Yet a little while, **and 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 has no pleasure in him**."
³⁹ But we **are not** of those who **shrink back and are destroyed**,
But of those **who have faith and preserve their souls**.