

TITLE: "The Word of Faith Requires A Crown!"

TEXT: Rom. 10:8-9

CONTEXT: Acts 24: 24-27

INTRO: when the word of Faith preached is believed in the heart, it becomes the Faith in Christ that saves the soul!
Rom. 10:8-9 EPH 2:8-9 GAL 2:20

TRUE FAITH: Trusting in the promises of God through the work of God based upon the WORD OF GOD!
11 Peter 1:1,3,4,19

FELIX: "HAPPY" Heb 11:25b

HUMILITY: willingness to take off your crown and allowing Christ to reign in your Life!
ROM 5:17-21
Rev 4:8-11

Believe on the LORD Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house!

Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee!*

*Someday ALL will bow BEFORE CHRIST AND DECLARE HIS LORDSHIP

-BUT NOT ALL WILL BE SAVED!
-PHL 2:9-11
-REV 20:11-15
-PSA 1:4-6

3. JUDGEMENT of Nations - Matt 25:31-46
A. BY GOSPEL - MATT 28:18-20
B. BY HELL - PSA 9:17

I. THE CROWN OF CHRIST IS OFFERED - Acts 24:24-25

- (A.) The Crown of Righteousness is given to His Sons**
11 TIM 4:7-8 JOHN 1:12; 3:3
1. Righteousness is a person: JESUS - 1 COR 1:30
 2. ... imputed thru Faith - Rom 5:21
 3. ... Spiritually empowers - 11 COR 4:6-7; 10:5
 4. ... directs your path - 1 COR 1:17-18, PROV 3:6
 5. ... succeeds - 11 COR 2:14
 6. ... rewards - Rev 22:12
 7. ... motivates - 11 COR 5:14-15

PAUL: "Little Pause, to stop, quit, come to an end" JOHN 3:30

(B.) The Incorruptible Crown is given to His students - 1 COR 9:25

DEF:

- Incorruptible: cannot be destroyed or broken apart
- evil: to brake apart that which is good.
- Mastery: victory
- Temperance: disciplined under the control of the Lord

1. Temperance is a fruit of God's indwelling Spirit - GAL 5:22-23
2. ... comes thru yielding - Rom 6:16
3. ... results in sanctification: conformed in Christ's image and set apart for His work - ROM 8:29; 1 Pet 1:16-2
4. God disciplines us thru...
 - a. His Word - 11 TIM 2:15
 - b. His Spirit - John 14:16-17
 - 1) To teach - John 14:26
 - 2) To reprove - John 16:8-12
 - 3) To guide - John 16:13
 - 4) To glorify - John 16:14
 - c. His chastisement - Heb 12:5-13
 - d. His Church - EPH 4:10-16
5. Temperance produces walking in Christ - 11 COR 6:16

(C.) The Crown of REJOICING given to His SOUL WINNERS - 1 Thess 2:19

1. SINS OF THE WORLD JUDGED ON THE CROSS: Our Gospel of Hope - 1 JOHN 2:2
- A. Accept Christ is salvation - JOHN 3:36
 - B. Reject Christ is damnation
2. JUDGEMENT of Believers - Rom 14:10-12
 - A. REWARDS ETERNAL - 1 COR 3:11-14
 - B. LOSS FOREVER! - 1 COR 3:15

II. THE CROWN REJECTED... WHY? ACTS 24:26-27 1 JOHN 2:15-17

- A. PRIDE OF LIFE: Your controlling terms - PR 16:18-19
"When I have a convenient season, I will..."
- B. LUST OF THE EYES: What's in it for me? MARK 8:36
"money should have been given him"
- C. LUST OF THE FLESH: honor me! - JOHN 5:44
"willing to shew the Jews a pleasure..."

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