



Bible Study Exercise & Thought-Provoking Questions



The purpose of the learning exercise and questions is to facilitate a deeper understanding of the Bible, this Bible study topic and ourselves. The questions may be answered by each reader, or used by a Bible study group leader or church pastor. The following questions should be answered or discussed after reading "Heavenly Crowns."

There are two types of questions: lesson and opinion. Lesson questions (preceded by a number) are provided an answer. Opinion questions (preceded by an ©) are designed to enhance learning via the determination of opinions and/or discovering how the lesson content illuminates our personal lives. As such, no answers are provided.

1. Identify 3 or more negative aspects of earthly rewards.
 - © The lesson content stated God is more interested in the intent and desires of our heart than He is with our behavior. Do you agree or disagree? Explain.
 - © 1 Corinthians 3:11-15 defines six different materials someone can use to build upon the foundation of Jesus Christ. These six different materials may be divided into two categories (with three materials in each category).
 - Which three should one build with, and which three should one avoid? Explain.
 - Can you define the heart's intent and behavioral examples of building with each category?
 - What will happen to the various materials during the Judgment Seat of Christ? Plus, why will Jesus do this?
 - © Why will those who receive a crown not view it with personal pride?

2. (Mix Match) Enter the letter of each active behavior of Christian life with the corresponding crown in column 1.

1	Crown		Active Behaviors of Christian Life
	Imperishable	A	Transformed from the bondage of sin to sanctification
	Rejoicing	B	Takes care of His sheep
	Righteousness	C	Demonstrates disciplined perseverance
	Life	D	Joyful despite the circumstances
	Glory	E	Crucifies the flesh

- © Which crown:
 - Do you think is most important?
 - Do you think you will receive first?
- © How does the title graphic correlate to the content of this lesson?

Extra Credit: There is no detailed description in the Bible of what the crowns look like, nor how they are worn. Use your imagination to visualize what you think the crowns look like. After you have a mental image, then consider:

- How one would wear more than one crown.
- Jesus will return wearing many crowns on His head. (Revelation 19:11-12)
- Given the above, did your initial perception change? If yes, how?

Extra Credit Note: There are some questions we have in life that will not be fully answered until our soul and spirit leave the constraints of our fleshly bodies, and we sit at the feet of our Savior and Lord.

Answers

1. Source of pride, no value in Heaven, decay over time, lose their luster (importance, value), can misdirect one's heart.

2.

1	Crown
C	Imperishable
D	Rejoicing
A	Righteousness
E	Life
B	Glory