QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you received a reward or

 recognition for something you did. How did that recognition of

 your accomplishment make you feel?

2. What kinds of “rewards” do people seek in this earthly life?

3. Read the following verses and note what the Bible says about

 the believer’s rewards:

 a) Proverbs 11:18

 b) Matthew 5:11-12

c) Matthew 6:1-4

d) Galatians 6:9

e) Colossians 3:23-24

 f) Hebrews 11:6

 g) James 1:12

4. Is it Scriptural to expect God to reward the believer? Support your

 answer with Scripture.

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to make a list of the ways that God has “rewarded” or blessed my life as a believer.
* I am going to find a place where I can actively serve within Cornerstone or through an outreach ministry in our community.
* I am going to memorize Galatians 6:9.

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Revelation 20:4-6 Study Series # 39

***The Saints Reign***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Pastor in Heaven

 B. The Believer’s Heavenly Reward

 (See Matthew 5:12; Matthew 5:46; Matthew 6:1-2;

 Matthew 6:4-5; Matthew 6:16; Matthew 6:18)

**II. The Saints Reign**

 A. The Judgment of Those Sitting on the Thrones

 (See Revelation 20:1-4; Revelation 4:4; Revelation 6:9-11;

 Matthew 19:28; Luke 22:30; Daniel 7:27; Revelation 2:26;

 Revelation 3:21; Revelation 5:10; I Corinthians 6:2-3;

 II Timothy 2:12)

 B. The Martyrs Reign with Christ

 (See Revelation 20:4; Revelation 6:9; Revelation 12:11;

 Revelation 7:9-17; Matthew 10:33; Luke 12:9;

 Revelation 22:18-19; Matthew 19:27-29; Hebrews 11:6;

 Galatians 6:7-8)

 C. The Unsaved Dead

 (See Revelation 20:5; Jeremiah 30:8-9; Romans 11:26-27;

 Zechariah 13:6; Genesis 13:14-15; Genesis 15:18; Micah 4:2;

 Isaiah 32:16-18; Isaiah 12:3-5; Isaiah 61:3-7; Isaiah 35:1-7;

 Joel 2:21-27; Isaiah 30:23-24; Isaiah 33:24;

 Isaiah 35:5-6; Isaiah 65:17-25)

 D. The First Resurrection

 (See Revelation 20:5; I Corinthians 15:20;

 I Thessalonians 4:14; I Thessalonians 4:17; Revelation 20:4;

 Daniel 12:1-4; Job 19:25)

 E. The Blessings of Believers

 (See Revelation 20:6; Revelation 20:14; John 3:3; I Peter 1:3;

 Revelation 1:6; I Peter 2:5; I Peter 2:9)

**III. Conclusion**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

**Passage of Study**

Revelation 20:4-6

**4**Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I *saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

**5**The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.

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

Suggested Reading

*The Problem of Pain*, by C. S. Lewis (1940)

*The Weight of Glory,* by C.S. Lewis (1941)

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