



## (Re)Imagine Heaven

*Week 4 | Rewards Day | Teacher: Libin Abrahm  
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### OPENER

We all remember moments when our name was called at graduations, awards, or recognition for something we worked toward. Those moments matter because they affirm that what we did had value. That familiar experience points us to a far greater moment ahead: a future day when every believer will stand before Jesus. Not to determine salvation, but to celebrate how we lived and stewarded our lives. The question is not *if* that day is coming but how we are living in light of it.

### READ

2 Corinthians 5:6–15

### MAIN POINTS

#### 1. Our Confidence

Believers can approach the future with confidence because our salvation is already secure in Christ. The moment we place our faith in Jesus, we pass from death to life, and our eternity is settled. This means the judgment seat of Christ is not a place of fear or condemnation, but a place of belonging. We stand before Jesus not wondering if we are accepted, but knowing we already are. This confidence frees us from anxiety and anchors us in the finished work of Christ.

#### 2. Our Commitment

Because our salvation is secure, our aim becomes living a life that is pleasing to God. This is not about earning approval but responding to the grace we've already received. Through the Holy Spirit, God empowers us to live in a way that honors Him, shaping both our desires and our actions. True obedience flows not from striving, but from abiding in Christ. Our lives become an offering motivated by love and directed toward His pleasure rather than human approval.

#### 3. Our Commendation

At the judgment seat (Bema) of Christ, believers will be evaluated and rewarded, not condemned. This is a moment of personal recognition where God sees and celebrates what the world often overlooks. He rewards faithfulness, stewardship, motives, eternal

impact, acts of love, generosity, and even suffering for His name. While there may be a sense of “holy regret” for missed opportunities, God’s grace ultimately removes shame and fills us with joy. Even the rewards we receive are returned to Jesus in worship, as we recognize that everything we did was made possible by Him.

#### 4. Our Calling

In light of that future day, we are called to live differently now. The love of Christ compels us to move from self-centered living to a life focused on God and others. Every part of our life—our time, relationships, work, and influence—becomes an opportunity to invest in what lasts eternally. The goal is not building our own reputation, but living for the One who died for us. We live today with eternity in mind, aiming to hear the words: “Well done, good and faithful servant.”

### ENGAGE WITH GOD IN A GROUP

- What stood out to you most about the idea of a future “Rewards Day” with Jesus?
- How does knowing your salvation is secure change the way you think about standing before God one day?
- The sermon says we are secure in Christ but accountable to Christ. How do those two truths work together in your life?
- Which of the things God rewards (faithfulness, motives, love, generosity, etc.) challenges you the most right now?
- What is the difference between striving to earn God’s approval and abiding in Christ to please Him?
- The sermon mentioned “holy regret.” What might that look like, and how does God’s grace address it?
- What is one practical way you can begin living more intentionally for eternity this week? How can *this day* change *the day*?

### BOTTOM LINE

***Because our eternity is secure in Christ, we can live with purpose today knowing that one day we will stand before Jesus and be rewarded for a life lived from Him.***