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Matthew 6:16-20

Have you ever thought about what type of rewards you are going to receive when you get to heaven? The Bible explains the criteria God will use to determine these rewards and what kind of conduct will deserve them. When we stand before the judgment seat of Christ, we will be judged on the basis of the light we have received—that is, the truth God has made available to us—and what we have done with the opportunities we were given.

Furthermore, we find that some specific actions and attitudes will result in certain rewards. For instance, we are told in the book of Matthew that there is a great reward stored up in heaven for those who are insulted and persecuted for Jesus' sake ([Matt. 5:11-12](#)). Elsewhere, the Lord tells us that acts of kindness done for His followers will be noted and rewarded ([Matt. 25:40](#)). Even a cup of water given to a thirsty disciple will not be overlooked on judgment day ([Matt. 10:42](#)).

Included among the rewarded are those whom God calls to leave family and personal possessions for the sake of the gospel. Another action that draws the Father's special attention is love directed toward our enemies. For this behavior, there will be a great reward, and we will be called "sons of the Most High" ([Luke 6:35](#)).

Sometimes others seem to prosper and reap a great harvest without even noticing how we prepared the soil. Yet God assures us that neither the one who plants nor the one who

waters will be overlooked (1 Cor. 3:8). The Lord sees each detail, and everything done for His sake will be rewarded.

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