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# MATTHEW

JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS

**Rewards**

**Matthew 10:40–11:1**

**Matt. 10:34, “Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword.**

**Matt. 10:35, “For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’;**

**Matt. 10:36, “and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’**

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**ἄξιος *axios*,**

**of like value, fit, deserving,  
suitable; good enough**

**Matt. 16:24, “Then Jesus said to His disciples, ‘If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.’ ”**

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**Matt. 10:39, “He who finds his life will lose it,  
and he who loses his life for My sake will  
find it.”**

**Matt. 10:40, “He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.**

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**λαμβάνω (*lambanō*), take, receive something in hand**

**μισθός *misthos*, pay, wages, reward;**

**Salvation is a FREE GIFT**

**Rewards are EARNED**

**Matt. 5:12, “Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”**

**Matt. 5:46, “For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?”**

**Matt. 6:1, “Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven.**

**Matt. 6:2, “Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.”**

**Matt. 6:5, “And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.”**

**Matt. 6:16, “Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.”**

**Revelation 22:12,**

**“And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.”**

**2 John 1:8, “Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but that we may receive a full reward.”**



# THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

**PHASE**

**ONE**

**Justification**

**Saved from the  
Penalty of Sin**

**PHASE**

**Two**

**Spiritual  
Life**

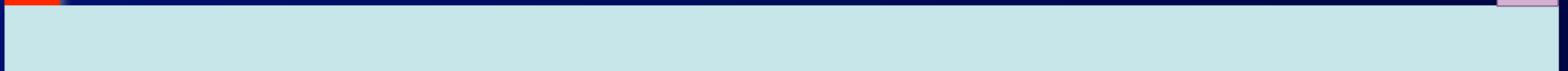
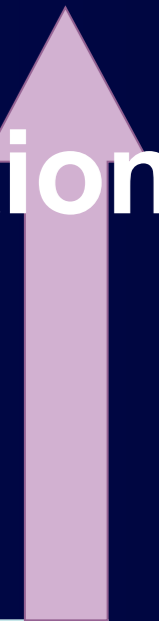
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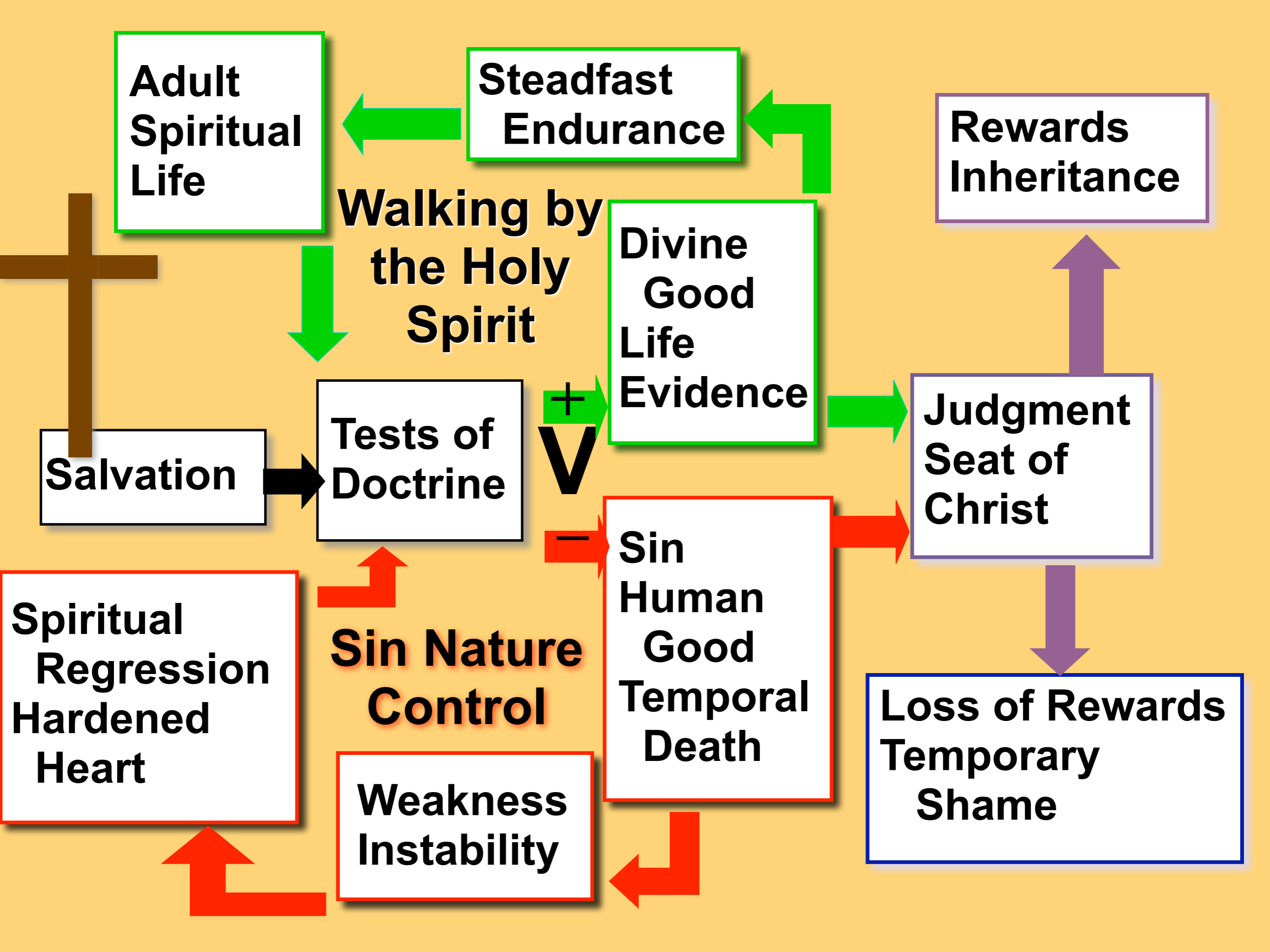
**PHASE**

**THREE**

**Glorification**

**Saved from the  
Presence of Sin**





# Differences Between Salvation and Rewards

## Salvation

## Rewards

For all mankind

For all believers

Given to few

Given to few

Christ does the work

The bel. does the work

Free gift

Earned

Permanent

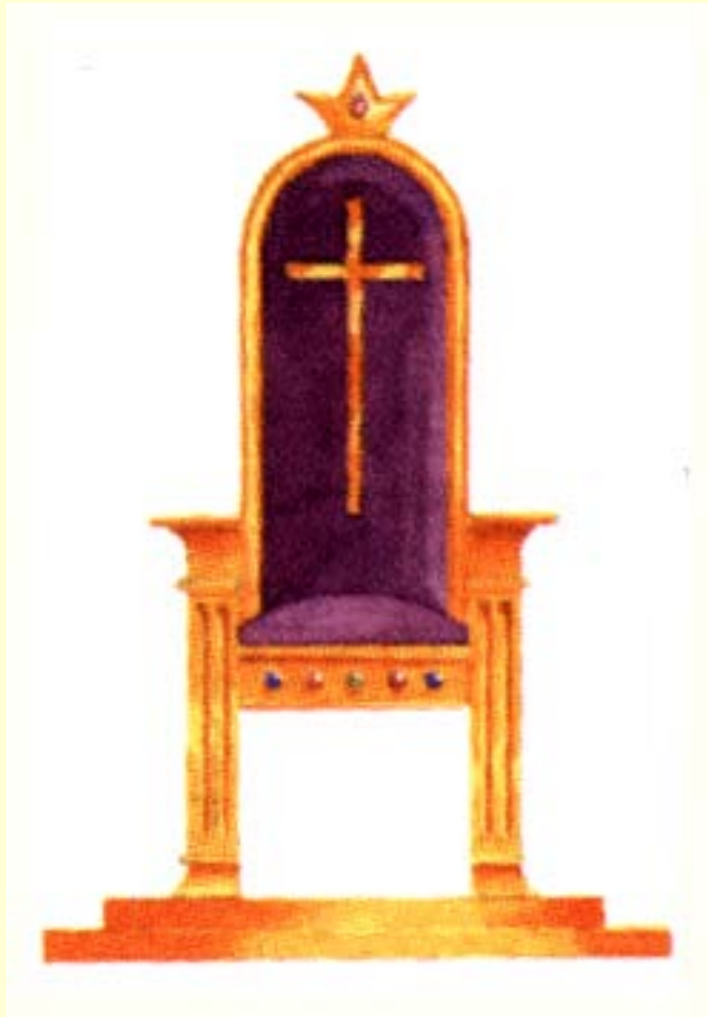
May be lost

Faith alone in Christ alone

Walking by faith

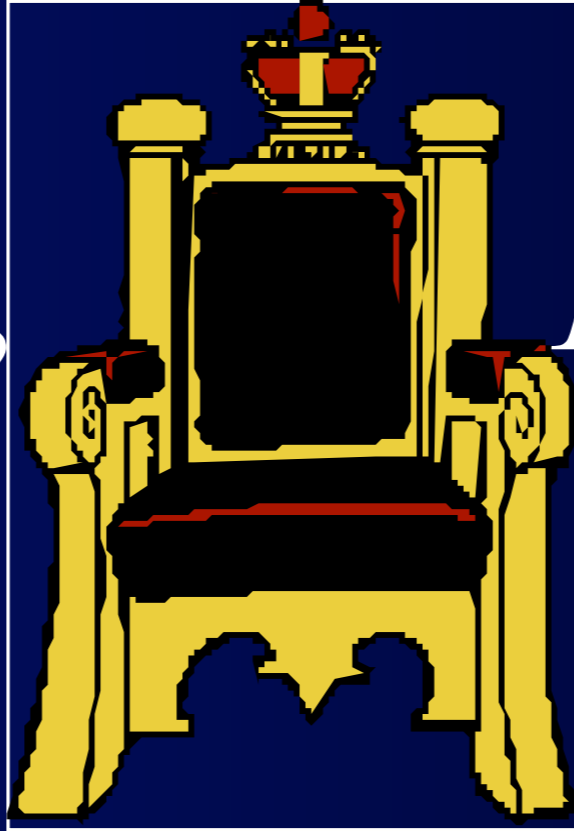
Provides equal opportunity

Use of opportunity



**2 Corinthians 5:10,  
“For we must all appear  
before the judgment seat of  
Christ, so that each one  
may be recompensed for  
his deeds [works] in the  
body, according to what he  
has done, whether good or  
bad.”**

βῆμα,



*Bema,*

**the raised or elevated seat  
where the magistrate or  
tribunal would sit. In judicial  
settings this was the seat of  
the judge or tribunal.**

# 8 Judgments 5 Resurrections



Church Age

Tribulation

Millennial Kingdom

Eternal State

The "First" Resurrection (saved)  
Christ, Rapture, 2 Witnesses, and  
OT/Trib. saints

Second Resurrection  
(unsaved)



Bema  
Judgment  
Seat of  
Christ



- Surviving Gentiles
- Surviving Jews
- Old Testament Saints
- Tribulation Saints



Great White  
Throne  
Unsaved Dead

Antichrist  
False Prophet



Satan

**John 5:21, “For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, even so the Son gives life to whom He will.**

**John 5:22, “For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son,”**

**John 5:27, “and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.”**



**1 Peter 1:17, “And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one’s **work**, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear;”**

**εργον, *ergon*, “work, labor, toil, production”**

**1 Cor. 15:58, “Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”**

**2 Cor. 5:10, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether **good** or bad.”**

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φau'λος, *phaulos*,  
“inferior quality,  
ordinary”

- 1. There will be an evaluation of every believer's life.**
- 2. The issue isn't sin or salvation, but to reward faithfulness.**
- 3. The Judgment Seat of Christ is only for believers.**
- 4. The Judgment Seat is described in cultural terms: A Bema seat could refer to either the place of civil adjudication or the seat of the judges in an athletic context.**