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Perseverance and the Crown of Life

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Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

1. What Perseverance _____:

a. Blessedness - _____ with God:

- i. For the one who _____ persevering under trial. –*Jam 1:2-4; 5:11*
- ii. This is yet another reason to _____ in trials. –*Matt 5:3-11*
 1. Perseverance produces _____ now. –*Jam 1:3*
 2. Perseverance produces _____ later. –*1 Pet 1:7*

b. The crown of life – _____:

- i. It pleases God for you to seek this _____. –*Heb 11:6; 1 Cor 9:25*
- ii. Perseverance in faith is _____ for your _____.
–*Matt 10:22; 24:13; Rev 2:10-11; 2 Tim 2:12-13; Heb 3:12-14; 12:14*

2. What Perseverance _____:

a. The _____ of your _____:

- i. It reveals who and what you _____. –*Matt 6:19-21*
- ii. It reveals who and what you _____. –*Matt 13:20-22; Rom 4:20-22*
- iii. It reveals the reality of your _____. –*Jam 1:18, 21-25*

b. The _____ of the LORD:

- i. It reveals the LORD's sufficient _____. –*Jam 1:5-7; 2 Cor 12:9*
- ii. It reveals the LORD's good _____. –*Jam 5:11*
- iii. It displays the LORD's _____ and _____. –*Jam 5:11*

3. How Perseverance is _____:

a. Those who _____ the LORD persevere in faith. –*Rev 2:10-11; 2 Tim 4:8*

b. Because _____ for the LORD produces _____:

- i. Because we love Him we yearn to _____ Him. –*John 14:15*
- ii. Because we love Him we _____ His _____. –*1 Pet 1:8*
- iii. Because we love Him we treasure His _____. –*Matt 13:44*

Next Week: James 1:13-15

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