If you are raptured you will be spared the wrath of the great tribulation! (unless you have the post tribulation rapture view…) Being rescued from that is reward enough! Sign me up! …but there is so much more reward coming.

The raptured will receive crowns from Jesus. The one who wore a crown of thorns will bestow us an Incorruptible Crown (1 Corinthians 9:25). A crown that won’t tarnish or ruin. A crown that can’t be taken from you.

Scripture goes on to describe…

The Crown of Life (James 1:12, Revelation 2:10). Given for enduring trials and overcoming temptation. (Some call this the Martyr’s Crown)

The Crown of Righteousness (2 Timothy 4:8). This crown is a reward given for faithfulness to use our gifts and opportunities in the service of the Lord and for loving His appearing.

The Crown of Glory (1 Peter 5:4). A reward promised to Elders for faithfulness in the discharge of their responsibilities in shepherding the people.

The Crown of Rejoicing (1 Thessalonians 2:19-20). Paul speaks that people we have effected for Jesus Christ become our reward and glory in the afterlife. (Some call this the soul winner’s crown)

Those that a raptured will be given crowns that declares their status with Jesus.

In Revelation 4 we see people casting their crowns at the feet of Jesus in worship. Even though we have received these rewards for our works, we fully admit that we are saved by His grace alone.

Crowns are cool but there is more…

**Rapture Reward**

We are invited to rule and reign with Jesus Christ in the Millennial Reign. In the first few chapters of Revelation , John writes to churches and gives promises to the over comers in those 7 churches.

* (Ephesus) To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life.
* (Smyrna) The one who is victorious will not be hurt at all by the second death.
* (Pergamum) To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.
* (Thyatira) To the one who is victorious and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations— that one ‘will rule them with an iron scepter..
* (Sardis) The one who is victorious will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out the name of that person from the book of life, but will acknowledge that name before my Father and his angels.
* (Philadelphia) The one who is victorious I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will they leave it. I will write on them the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on them my new name.
* (Laodicia) To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne

Those that are raptured will sit in the throne with Jesus. They will rule with an Iron scepter. There is prophecy of the Messiah ruling with an Iron scepter but this reveals that Jesus will allow us to rule over nations with His iron scepter. The raptured are saved from the 2nd death/hell. The raptured will be fixtures in God’s dwelling, the temple. They will always be in His presence.

The names of the raptured are written in the book of life.

They will have a NEW NAME from God!

God’s NEW NAME will be written on them!

People in Millennium Reign will still experience death, but not the raptured. They have victory over death and have the right to the tree of life.

We will be given glorified bodies. Jesus when he rose from the dead was able to walk through walls and disappear and reappear… The raptured will not be bound by the physical.

The Raptured will judge angels… Say What!?

Psalm 8:5 says that mankind was made lower than angels. Angels are better than you…

But here is a promise to those that are victorious in the rapture…

1 Corinthians 6:2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases?(NIV)

1 Corinthians 6:3 Do you not know that we will judge angels? How much more the things of this life!(NIV)

The Bible tells us that we are going to become like Jesus when we see Him. (1 John 3:2)

There is something better than heaven! The reward for those in the rapture is great. Make up in your mind that you want to be ready when Jesus comes.