

A STRATEGY TO RECEIVE THIS CROWN

- We must demonstrate the characteristics of a loving mother. (2:7-8)
 - We must be _____.
 - We must be _____.
 - We must provide an atmosphere of nourishment and _____.
- We must demonstrate the characteristics of a loving father. (2:10-12)
 - We must be a proper _____.
 - We must be _____.
 - We must be _____.
 - We must be aware of the horrible _____ of rejecting the Gospel.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. If you have a personal relationship with Christ, are you _____ to serve Him?
2. Do you have a burden and passion for the _____ of those who are lost spiritually?

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AN APPOINTMENT YOU CAN'T MISS

PART 4

The lifestyle we choose to live is a very important decision! The moment we became a Christian we were empowered by God to carve out a lifestyle that pleases Him.

However, a lifestyle that pleases God is not our only option. We can fall back to the kind of living that is motivated by self-centered desires. We, as believers, can actually put aside the amazing heavenly resources we have at our "fingertips" and default to a Christ less lifestyle.

The choices is ours; but remember, a whole lot rides on the decision. If we allow the Holy Spirit to direct our daily living choices, we will accomplish our assigned ministry here on earth and receive a "trophy" or "crown" in heaven.

THE INCORRUPTABLE CROWN

THE TEST 1 Corinthians 9:15-27

- Do I understand why God _____ me and has graciously left me here on earth?
- Do I _____ a passion to do God's assignment for my life?
- Do I realize how important my "lifestyle" _____ are?
- Do I _____ my assignment and the reward that will be available one day?

RECEIVING THIS CROWN

- Given to those who are not easily _____ from their ministry purpose.
- While doing ministry, they are _____ and faithful to their assignment.
- Given to those who are comfortable with their _____ in the Body of Christ and serve with passion.

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- Pray for a _____ passion to do ministry. (9:23)
- Willingly _____ the Holy Spirit to make you a disciplined person. (9:24-25)
- Develop a clear _____ statement for your life. (9:26)

- Do whatever it takes to have _____ over the many distractions. (9:27)
- Develop a "fear" of being _____. (9:27)

THE CROWN OF REJOICING

THE TEST 1 Thessalonians 2:4-20

- Our selfish ambitions and actions must not _____. (2:4-6)
- We must fight the desire to be "isolationists" and be _____ to others. (2:8)
- We must care enough about others to _____ our lifestyle. (2:9-11)
- We must anticipate opportunities to be an _____ to others. (2:12)

RECEIVING THIS CROWN

- Is given to those who are convinced of their purpose and _____.
- Is given for living the kind of life that helps others _____ and love Christ. (2:19-20)
- Believers are to have a _____ to see the unsaved hear the Gospel and come to know Jesus Christ personally.