

# Choosing Our Building Materials

## I Corinthians 3:10-15

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Building Materials can be shoddy (trash) or quality (treasure).

Christ is our foundation and ideally our “life” building should match His foundation.

### The Judgment Seat of Christ

**What is it?** An account of the QUALITY of our spiritual service and personal ministry. II Corinthians 5:10 (an unavoidable necessary appointment)

**When is it?** After the rapture

**Who is there?** Believers and Christ (He is on the Bema seat)

**What the Judgment is not?** It is not a judgment or sentencing for our sins. Romans 8:1

**What is the standard of the inspection/fire test?** How FAITHFULLY we have served.

- ♦ Were we integrally involved in the Great Commission? Matthew 28:18-20
- ♦ Did we generally overcome temptation? Romans 6:1-4
- ♦ Did we control our tongues? James 3:1-9
- ♦ Were we sold out to the Lord? Romans 12:1-2

**Trash is easy to come across.....Treasure is harder to find**

**The Judgment Seat is necessary since our loyalty as servants and stewards is critical.**

### Application

**Don't be naive about the Judgment Seat.**

**Be willing to commit.**

**Don't abuse eternal security.**

**Don't hedge that we have more time than we think.**

### Building Options Available

- ♦ **No building even though we have a foundation**
- ♦ **Careless building – goes up in flames**
- ♦ **Careful building – some will last**
- ♦ **Life Building – quality service that lasts for eternity**

### Future Study

Study the Crowns available to be received

- ♦ Incorruptible Victor, I Corinthians 9:25-27
- ♦ Soul Winner, I Thessalonians 2:19
- ♦ Righteousness, II Timothy 4:7-8
- ♦ Glory, I Peter 5:2-4
- ♦ Martyrs, James 1:12

### Here and Now

**How am I** investing time, money and energy while I have the chance?

Would I be sorry if the Lord returned today and I had no further chance to build?

What attitudes do I have that would fail inspection?

What actions do I need to stop or what inaction shows I have been too casual?

Without Christ I Can Do Nothing, John 15:5

Whatsoever is done without faith is sin. Romans 14:23

I don't know the Lord and I need His foundation before I can begin to have quality service.