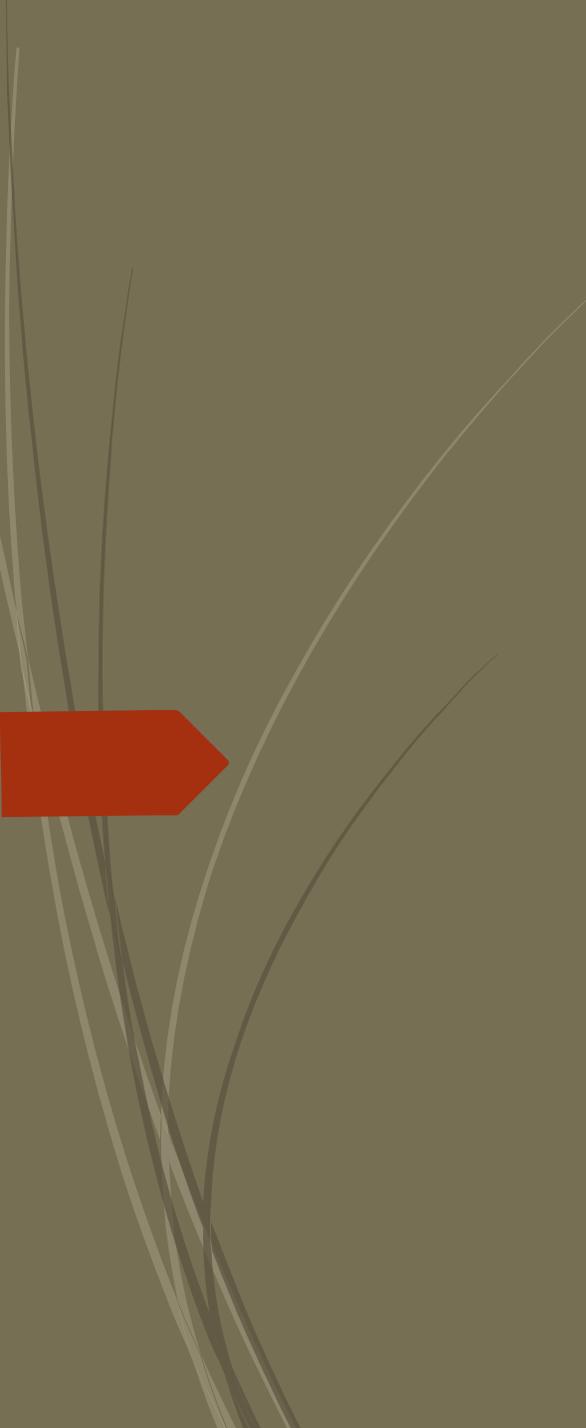


“See, we have left all and followed You.” – Mark 10:28





The Rewards for Sharing the Gospel



General Principles

1. There is a reward for those who share the gospel

- ▶ “The wicked man does deceptive work, But he who sows righteousness will have a sure reward.” (Prov. 11:18)

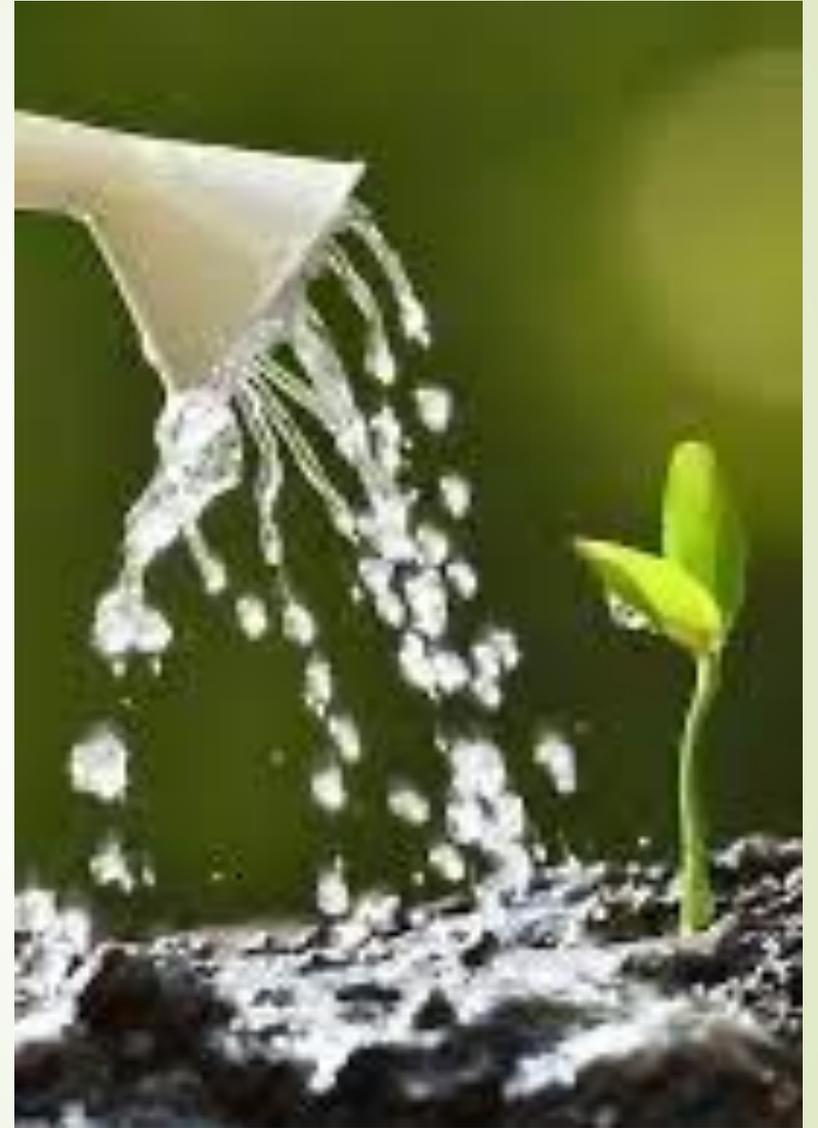
2. Our reward comes from God

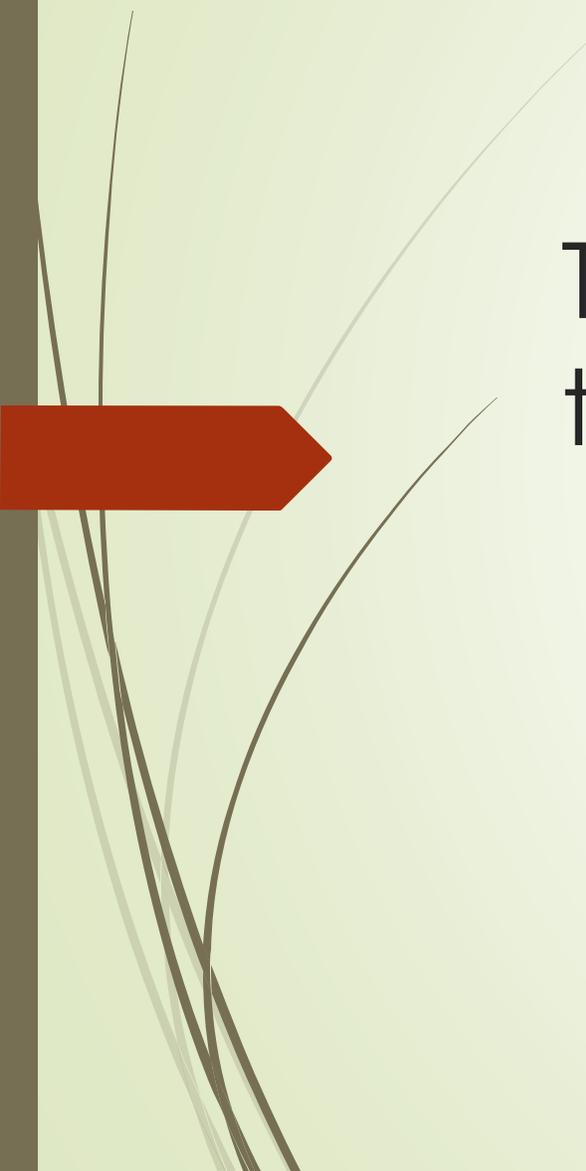
- ▶ “Nevertheless even among the rulers many believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue; 43 for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.” (Jn. 12:42-43)
- ▶ “...each one's praise will come from God.” (1 Cor. 4:5)

General Principles

3. Our reward will be according to our labor

- ▶ “Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive his own reward according to his own labor.” (1 Cor. 3:8)

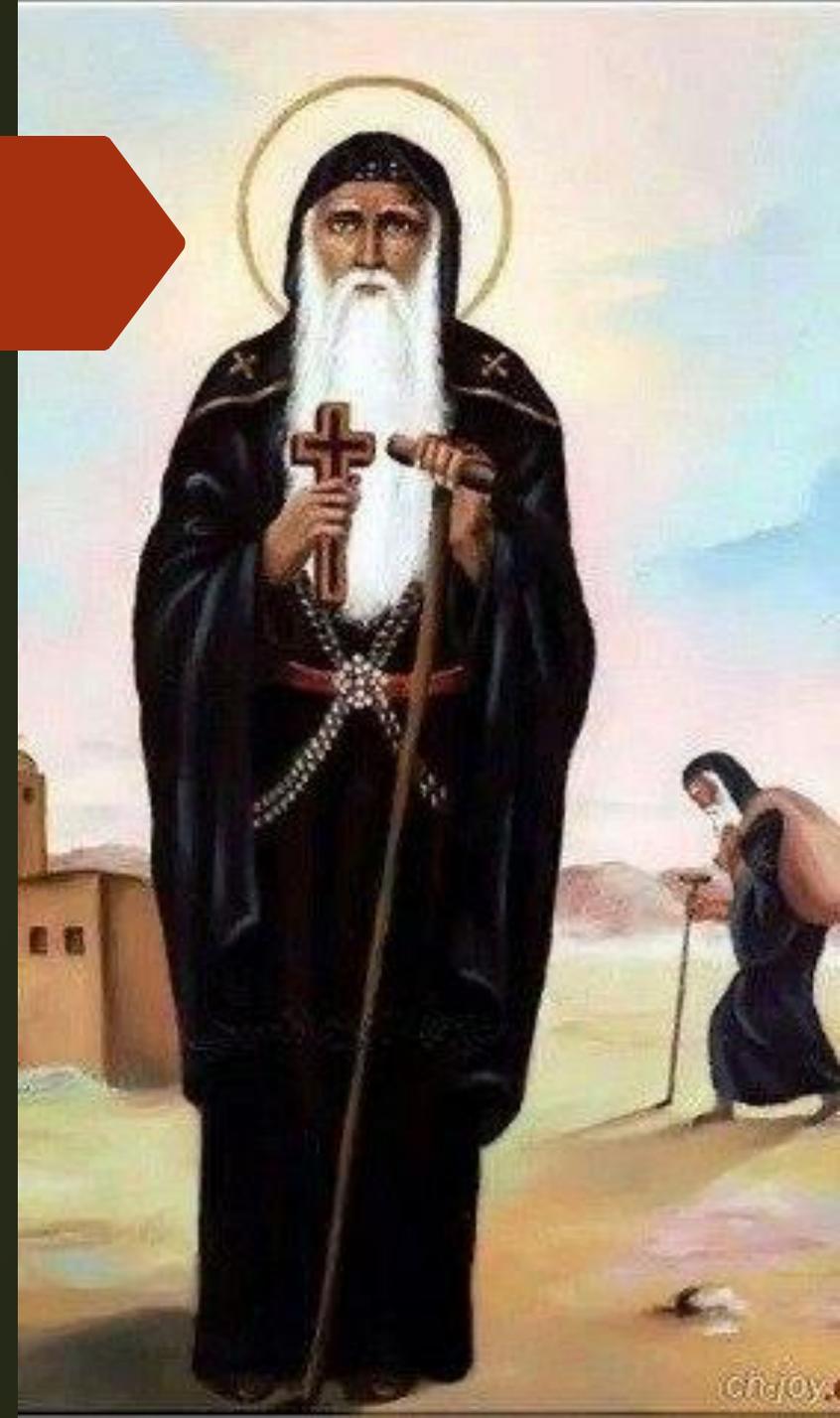




The Rewards for those who Share the Gospel

1. Escape from Corruption

- ▶ “...that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.” (2 Pet. 1:4)
- ▶ EX: St. Moses the Strong
- ▶ “Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.” (Jam. 5:19-20)



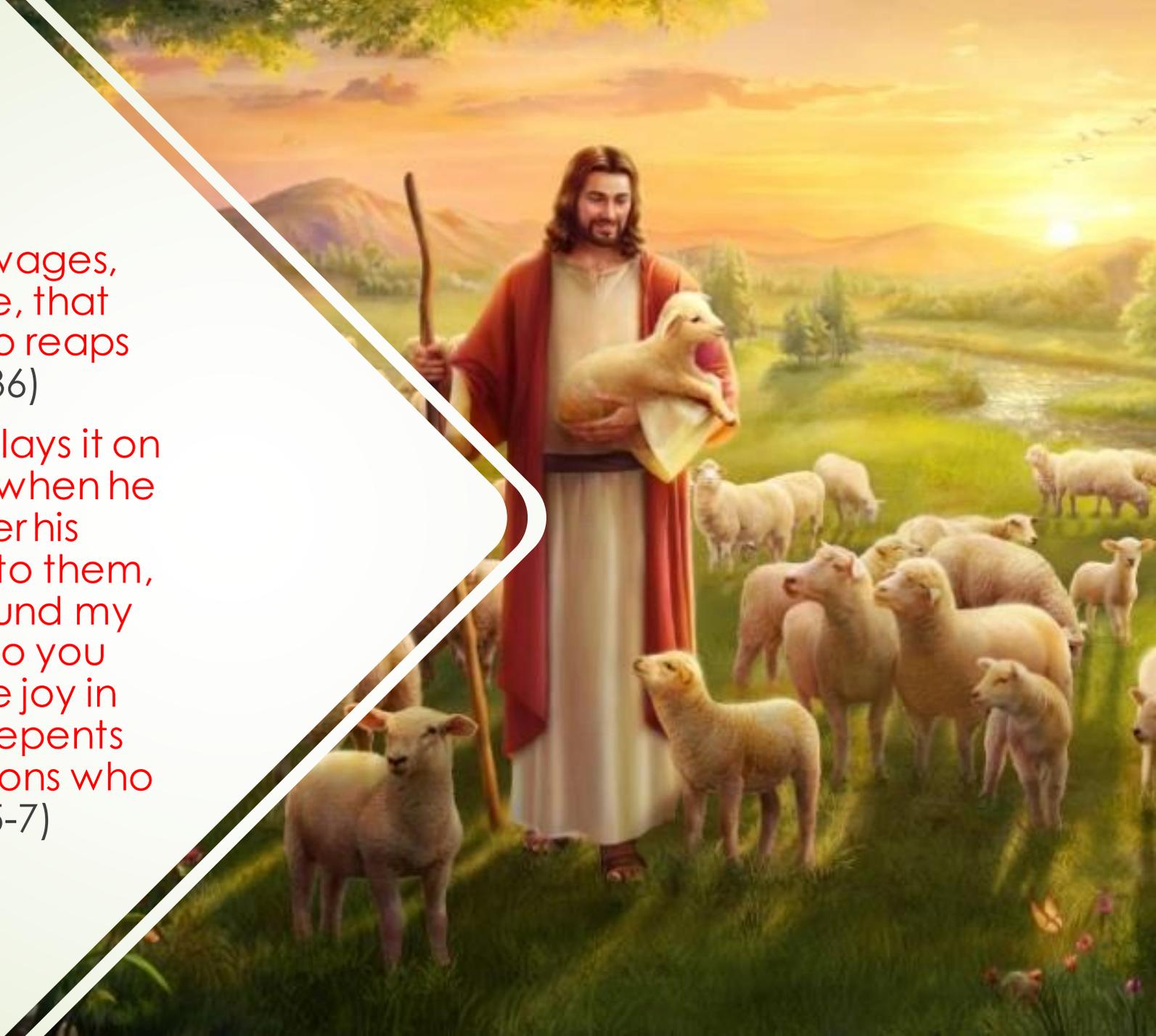
2. Rich in the Lord Christ

- The Rich Young Ruler
- "See, we have left all and followed You." (Mk. 10:28)
- "... as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things." (2 Cor. 6:10)



3. Joy

- “And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.” (Jn. 4:36)
- And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' 7 I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance. (Lk. 15:5-7)





4. A Crown with Stars

- “For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? 20 For you are our glory and joy.” (1 Thes. 2:19-20)
- Those who participate in the salvation of others will be granted a share in their reward.
- EX: St. Anthony
- EX: St. Stephen