

Received Up in Glory

- What did it mean to the ordinary person that someone was “received in glory”?
 - The glory of a person was a positive attribute describing the honor that accrues due to accomplishments, perhaps physical (*e.g.*, military), perhaps mental (*e.g.*, a philosopher).
 - A victorious general was received in his home capital with ceremonies representative of the honor he had brought upon himself and the country.
 - Revelation 21:24 And the nations shall walk in its light and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it.
- The New Testament attributes glory to people and things: their good reputation as a result of accomplishments, their good character or nature.
 - 1 Peter 1:24 All flesh is as grass, and all its glory as the flower of grass.
 - 1 Thessalonians 2:20 For you are our glory and joy.
 - 1 Thessalonians 2:6 We do not seek glory from men.
 - Philippians 3:19 Whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, whose glory is their shame – who set their minds on earthly things.
 - Ephesians 3:13 Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations, which is your glory.
 - 2 Corinthians 3:7 – 10 The Law had glory; the ministry of righteousness exceeds in glory.
 - 1 Corinthians 15:40 The glory of the celestial is one; the glory of the terrestrial is another.
 - 1 Corinthians 11:7, 15 The woman is the glory of man...long hair is a glory for her.
 - Romans 9:4 Israelites, to whom pertain the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the Law, the service of God, and the promises.
- The glory of God is His good reputation, character, and nature.
 - Exodus 33:18, 34:5 – 7 The glory of the Lord is His goodness, compassion, mercy, grace, patience, and truth.
 - Romans 1:23 Imperishable
 - Romans 6:4 Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father
 - Romans 9:23 That He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory.
 - 2 Corinthians 8:23, Ephesians 3:21 The church is the glory of Christ
 - Ephesians 1:5 - 6 Having predestined us to adoption by Jesus...to the praise of the glory of His grace.
 - Ephesians 3:16 That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man.
 - 2 Thessalonians 1:9 The glory of His power
 - Hebrews 1:3 [Jesus] being the brightness of His glory
 - 2 Corinthians 4:6, Ephesians 1:18, Colossians 1:27 We can know the glory of God
 - “To the glory of God” Many activities are to result in God’s character being honored.
- Christians receive the glory of God
 - Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
 - 2 Corinthians 4:17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

- Colossians 1:27 Which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.
- Colossians 3:4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.
- 1 Thessalonians 2:12 Calls you into His own kingdom and glory
- 2 Thessalonians 2:14 He called you by our gospel for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Hebrews 2:10 Bringing many sons to glory
- 1 Peter 1:8 Believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory.
- The promise of godly character and the honor that goes with it (glory) are the same as the promises of transformation of believers into the character of Jesus during earthly life (2 Corinthians 3:18, Romans 8:28 – 30, 2 Peter 1:2 - 11)
- 1 Timothy 3:16
 - Not until Jesus sat down at the right hand of God was His earthly task complete, which is the importance of “sat” (Luke 22:69, Hebrews 1:3, 10:12).
 - Prior to that, He was presented with a kingdom (Daniel 7:13 – 14, Matthew 24:30, 26:64, Mark 13:26, 14:62, Luke 21:27, Acts 1:9, Revelation 1:7).
 - He now reigns over all the kingdoms of the earth (Revelation 11:15).
 - Revelation 5 describes that Jesus was received “glory” (v12) because He prevailed (v5), and redeemed the world (v9).
 - The idea of “received in glory” is that Jesus victory on earth was sealed by a triumphal reception in heaven.
 - We are called by His glory and virtue (2 Peter 1:3) into that glory (1 Peter 5:10, 1 Thessalonians 2:12, Colossians 3:4).