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Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man **take thy crown**. Revelation 3:11

- 1. THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS for those who loved His appearing
 - 2 Timothy 4:7-8 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
 - Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
 - Galatians 5:5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.
 - Philippians 3:9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
 - Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
 - Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.
 - Read the whole chapter 11 of Hebrews The Triumphs of Faith
- 2. **THE CROWN OF LIFE –** for those who have suffered for His sake
 - James 1:12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.
 - Revelation 2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.
- 3. **THE INCORRUPTIBLE CROWN** for those who master temperance and self-control
 - 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.
 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:
 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.
- 4. **THE CROWN OF GLORY** for those who feed the flock
 - 1 Peter 5:2-4 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.
- 5. THE CROWN OF REJOICING for those who win souls
 - Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
 - 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20 For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? For ye are our glory and joy.

NOTE: The Bible version used is King James Version