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Subject: Why Christians are judged for their actions

Dear Dr. Ryrie: If all of our sins are forgiven when we put our faith in Christ, why are we judged for our actions when we die? Or am I just confused? --J.C.

Dear J.C.: It is true that all our sins are forgiven when we trust Christ. It is equally true that Christians will be examined for the works they have done since they believed. Works that abide will be rewarded, but some works will not be rewarded. Knowing that our lives will be examined ought to motivate us to good works. Rewards do not affect our salvation but will give us something to give back to Christ (Rev. 4:10). Won't it be great if we have a lot of crowns to cast before Him?

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