

The Crown of Glory

I Peter 5:1-4

(5 crowns – rejoicing, incorruptible, life, righteousness, glory)

(small group of people)

I. It's a crown for those who lead God's work, vs. 1-3.

A. Their relationship to the church, vs. 1.

1. The elders... vs. 1.
2. (God looking in on a group of people)
3. I Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my

beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

B. Their responsibility to the church, vs. 2.

1. Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof... vs. 2.
2. (person raising his hand indicating he's present)
3. (neat room that's well decorated, with posters, etc.)
4. Feed the flock of God...
5. (a shepherd with his sheep)

II. It's a crown for those who love God's work, vs. 2-4.

A. Their work is with a willing heart, vs. 2.

1. ...not by constraint, but willingly... vs. 2.
2. (people waiting in a classroom)
3. ...that fadeth not away., vs. 4.

B. Their work is with a watchful heart, vs. 2-3.

1. ...not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock., vs. 2-3.

2. (YOU DID NOT!)