

## The Inscrutable Question: The Nike Awards 1-5 & Escrow Blessings 1-9, Revelation 2:7, 10, 17, 26-28; 3:4-5

20) Revelation, chapters 2 and 3 reveal seven Nike Awards containing 13 escrow blessings:

### 1. The 1<sup>st</sup> Nike Award:

- (1) The privilege to eat from the tree of life.
- (2) Eternal Membership in the Paradise Club of God.

**Revelation 2:7** - "To him who is a winner I will give him the privilege of eating from the Tree of Life which is in the Paradise Club of God."

### 2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Nike Award:

- (3) The Crown, Corona, Coronet, or **Στέφανος / stephanos** / of life.

**Revelation 2:10** - "Keep on becoming faithful unto death and I will give you the crown of life."

### 3. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Nike Award:

- (4) Christened with a new name of aristocracy.

**Revelation 2:17** - "To him who is a winner, I will give blessing from the source of the hidden manna [**escrow blessings in time**], and I will give him a white stone [**resurrection body**]; furthermore, on the stone has been written a new name of aristocracy, which new name of aristocracy no one knows except the one who receives it."

### 4. The 4<sup>th</sup> Nike Award:

- (5) Assignment to and rulership authority over a nation in the Millennial theocracy.
- (6) Investiture into the eternal order of chivalry, the Most Noble Order of the Morning Star.

**Revelation 2:26** - "And so the winner, even he who keeps My assignments until the end [**physical death**], 'To Him [**The Lord quotes Psalm 2:8-9 where this pronoun refers to the Messiah but here the Messiah Himself addresses winners to whom He is presenting a Nike Award**] I will give authority over the Gentile nations.'"

**NOTE:** In verse 27 the quote by our Lord continues from Psalm 2, therefore the pronouns still refer to winners who are being delegated authority by the Messiah, Who in turn received His authority from the Father in Psalm 2.

**Revelation 2:27** - "And so He [**the winner**] will rule them [**the nations**] with an iron scepter. He will shatter them as clay pottery [**with delegated authority from Messiah winners execute divine policy in their respective nations (this is the end of the quote from Psalm 2)**].' I [**Jesus Christ**] also have received My authority from My Father.

**v. 28** - "Furthermore, I will give to him [**Church Age winner**] the Order of the Morning Star."

### 5. The 5<sup>th</sup> Nike Award:

- (7) Invested with a uniform of glory.

- (8) Permanent listing of the new title of peerage from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nike into the *Book of Life*.
- (9) Presentation at Court to the Father with formal introduction conducted by Jesus Christ.

**Revelation 3:4** - "But you have a few persons in Sardis [ **Pivot** ] who have not soiled their clothes [ **uniform of honor** ], in fact, they will walk with Me in whites [ **uniform of glory** ] because they are worthy.

**v. 5** - "Thus the winner shall be clothed in white garments [ **uniform of glory** ] and I will not ever blot his new title of aristocracy [ **see the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nike** ] out of the *Book of Life*, in fact, I will present him at court using his new title of aristocracy in the presence of My Father and before His angels."