Ephesians 2:8–10 (NKJV)
8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,
9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.
10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works**, which God prepared beforehand that **we should walk in them**.

Titus 2:11–14 (NKJV)
11 For the **grace** of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,
12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,
13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, **zealous for good works**.

Positional Righteousness

Experiential Righteousness

3:18-18

3:15-18

Inherit the Kingdom

Is sometimes used as an idiom that collects all the inheritances, rewards, crowns, and ruling positions that are reserved for the Judgment Seat of Christ;

reserved for those who have experienced righteousness through obedience to doctrine

*1. **He Who** overcomes:

Written: he who is willing

1. **Addressing a certain category of believers; very specifically it is the overcoming believer being addressed**

Revelation 2:11 (NKJV)
11 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the **SECOND DEATH**.

Pay attention, and put into practice the messages to the 7 churches

Revelation 3:5 (NKJV)
5 He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

Revelation 3:12 (NKJV)
12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.

Inheritance

part
μέρος (méros) **(méros)**, noun; neut. (Liddell) 15.152; 5.464.—1. **SB** 3812; TDNT 4.584—1. LN 63.14 **part**, in contrast to the whole

Revelation 20:6 (NKJV)
6 Blessed and holy is he who has **part** in the **first resurrection**. Over such the **SECOND DEATH** has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

Luke 15:11–12 (NKJV)
11 Then He said: "A certain man had two sons.
12 And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the **portion** of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood.

John 13:8 (NKJV)
8 Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no **part** with Me."

Revelation 21:7–8 (NKJV)
7 He who overcomes shall **inherit** all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.
8 But **the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars** shall have their **part** in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the **SECOND DEATH**.

Punctuations are interpretation, not translation!

First Resurrection:

Stage 1. Jesus Christ, who is the firstfruits.
Stage 2. Rapture of the Church at the end of the church age, just before the great tribulation.
Stage 3. Resurrection of tribulation martyrs, and Old Testament saints.

Surely you can't be saved if you're doing these! : Perhaps you were never truly saved if your continuing in these terrible sins!

This sample of sins represent failure to grow in sanctification.

And thus there will be a loss of inheritance, a loss of rewards.

The penalty for sin was paid for on the cross;
So no one will be penalized for their sins.

Romans 8:16–17 (NKJV)
16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
17 and if children, then **heirs**—**heirs** of God, and **joint heirs** with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

Punctuations

John 8:35 (NKJV)
35 And a bondslave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. TDNT 2.278—1. LN 57.123 **heir**, one who gets the inheritance (Mk 12:7)

κληρονόμος (klēronómos) **(klēronomos)**, noun; masc. (Liddell) 15.1767—1. LN 57.124 **heirs**, one who gets the inheritance

Grace is faith based; independent of works:
For the believer **sin is no longer the issue** in terms of your eternal habitation.

*2. **The biblical meaning for "inherit the kingdom"**

You will have, or not have a share, a portion an inheritance, or the privileges and possessions in the kingdom.

1. **Twice we have this statement that there are those who will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

1 Corinthians 6:1–11 (NKJV)
1 Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before **the unrighteous and not before the saints?**
2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
3 Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life?
4 If then you have judgments concerning things pertaining to this life, do you appoint those who are least esteemed by the church to judge?
5 I say this to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you, not even one, who will be able to judge between his brethren?
6 But brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers!

7 Now therefore, it is already an utter failure for you that you go to law against one another. Why do you not rather accept wrong? Why do you not rather let yourselves be cheated?
8 No, you yourselves **do wrong and cheat**, and you do these things to your brethren!

ἀδικέω (adikéō) **(adikeō)**, vb.; ≈ Str 91; TDNT 1.157—1. LN 20.29; **err**, harm (Lk 18:19; Ac 7:26; 3Pe 2:13; Rev 2:11; 6:6; 7:2, 3; 9:4, 10, 19; 11:5; 1. LN 88.22 **err**, **wrongly**, **do wrong**

Rhetorical

Positionally unrighteous

9 Do you not know that **the unrighteous** will not **inherit** **the kingdom of God?**

Rhetorical

Positionally Righteous

Do not be deceived. **Neither** fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,

wrongdoers

ἄδικος (adikos) **(adikos)** (ov (ord. ad), [see ἀδικία; (adikia), ou (ou), ὁ (ho), between 58–87]) = (Gal.) **adic** (Gal.), a11.1, 92.14; (Str 94; TDNT 1.149—LN 88.20) **unjust**, unrighteous (Lk 16:11; Ro 3:5; Heb 6:10)

ἄδικος (adikos), ov (ou), ὁ (ho); n. masc. (second by **ab**); ≈ Str 94—LN 11.20

unbeliever, unjust person

correlative | **κοραλάτε** | adjective
having a mutual relationship; corresponding; *rights, whether moral or legal; can involve corrective duties.*

CLK conjunction, logical correlative

Rhetorical

Rhetorical question implying inheriting the kingdom as "entering the kingdom" In other words, if you commit any of these sins you aren't going to get in.

Somehow you either forfeit the salvation that you had or you weren't really saved.

10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, Nor extortioners will **inherit** **the kingdom of God.**

11 **And such were some of you. But** you were washed. **But you were sanctified. But** you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

*3. **Works of the righteous are rewardable:**

Rewards are earned

Matthew 25:34–46 (NKJV)
34 **Then the King will say to those on His right hand**, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, **inherit the kingdom** prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in;
36 I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'
37 Then the **Righteousness** will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?
38 When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You?
39 Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'
40 And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

The tendency for the carnally minded is to assume that if somebody is doing these things that they are going to inherit the kingdom.

John 3:18–19 (NKJV)
18 "He who **believes** in Him is not **condemned**;
he who does not **believe** is **condemned already**,
because he has not **believed** in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
19 And this is the **condemnation**, that the light has come into the world, and **men loved darkness rather than light**, because their deeds were evil.

God does not recognize man's self righteous works

41 **Then He will also say to those on the left hand**, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:
42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink;
43 I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.'
44 Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?'
45 Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'
46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the **Righteous** into eternal life.

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