

# Heaven & Hell

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## What Happens When We Die?

### \_\_\_\_\_ in Heaven (Continued)

#### I) Will we have our own home?

In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. John 14:2-3 (NIV)

#### II) Will we open our homes to guests?

I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. Luke 16:9 (NIV)

#### III) Will we have privacy?

... I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it. Revelation 2:17 (NIV)

#### IV) What will our Resurrected Bodies be Like?

A) We will continue to be \_\_\_\_\_ And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me! Job 19:26-27 (NIV)

B) Our resurrected body will be like \_\_\_\_\_ He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control. Philippians 3:21 (cf. 1 Jn. 3:1-3).

C) They will consist of flesh and bone Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. Luke 24:39-40 (NIV)

D) Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ in His glorified body Luke 24:41-43 (NIV)

E) They will be \_\_\_\_\_ bodies <sup>11</sup> I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 8:11 (NIV) (cf: Lk. 16:23; 1 Cor. 13:12).

F) They will be eternal bodies For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down (that is, when we die and leave this earthly body), we will have a house in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands. 2 Corinthians 5:1

G) They will be bodies \_\_\_\_\_ with our spirit 1 Corinthians 15:43-49

H) \_\_\_\_\_ identities will continue. After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands. Revelation 7:9

V) Will we have our personality?

A) Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself!... Luke 24:39 (NIV)

VI) We will have Knowledge - ... Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

1 Corinthians 13:12 (NIV)

VII) We will have emotions. Rev. 21:4

VIII) What if our loved ones are in hell?

A) Mt. 25; John 5:22-29; Rm. 2:5-16; 12:19; 2 Thess. 1:7-9; Rev. 18:1-19:3; 20:11-35

B) Revelation 6:9-10

IX) What will our relationships be like?

A) We will recognize others.

1) 1 Cor. 13:12.

2) Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters— one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." Matthew 17:4 (NIV)

B) Will we meet new people?

I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 8:11 (NIV)

C) What else will we do?

1) There will be **no idleness** in heaven.

2) Heaven will be a place of:

(a) Singing. Heb. 2:12, Rev. 14:3

(b) Fellowship Luke 16:9, 1 Cor. 13:12

(c) Serving Rev. 7:15, 22:3

(d) Learning 1 Cor. 13:9-10

D) Will we work? The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. Genesis 2:15 (NIV)

E) We will receive rewards:

1) Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. Revelation 22:12 (NIV)

2) ... 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' Matthew 25:23

F) Will we wear clothes?

- 1) Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. Revelation 3:4 (NIV)
- 2) Then each of them was given a white robe, Rev. 6:11

G) Do babies or children who die go to heaven?

- 1) God is just and righteous in everything He does.

The LORD is righteous in all His ways and loving toward all He has made. Psalm 145:17

- 2) David believed that he would be reunited with his baby who had died.

But now that he is dead, why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me." 2 Samuel 12:23 (NIV)

H) Will there be animals in heaven?

- 1) Adam, Noah, and Jesus.
- 2) The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Revelation 19:14 (NIV)

I) What will be missing in Heaven? No more...

- 1) No more sin.
- 2) There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." Revelation 21:4 (NIV)

### The \_\_\_\_\_ of Heaven:

- I) After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 1 Thessalonians 4:17 (NIV)
- II) We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. 2 Corinthians 5:8 (NIV)
- III) How Will I Be Judged as a Believer? Two times of judgment at the end of the world:

A) \_\_\_\_\_

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. John 5:24 (NIV)

B) \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad. 2 Corinthians 5:10
- 2) 1 Corinthians 3:10-15 (NIV)
- 3) What we've built into our lives that will last will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) What we've built into our lives that will not last will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) Whatever our rewards or loss, our salvation is \_\_\_\_\_.

C) We will be rewarded based on three specifics:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ - For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what he has done. Matthew 16:27
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ - "I the LORD search the heart and examine the mind, to reward a man according to his conduct, according to what his deeds deserve." Jeremiah 17:10
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ - But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. Matthew 12:36

### How Can Heaven Affect My Life Now?

I) Motivation for \_\_\_\_\_

A) Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6 (NIV)

B) And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 1 John 5:11-12 (NIV)

II) Wise use of \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>19</sup> "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:19-21 (NIV)

III) Serving the \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 25:34-40 (NIV)

IV) Endurance in \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>16</sup> So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without his unfolding grace. <sup>17</sup> These hard times are small potatoes compared to the coming good times, the lavish celebration prepared for us. <sup>18</sup> There's far more here than meets the eye. The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (MSG)

V) Easing of \_\_\_\_\_

Since you became alive again, so to speak, when Christ arose from the dead, now set your sights on the rich treasures and joys of heaven where he sits beside God in the place of honor and power. <sup>2</sup> Let heaven fill your thoughts; don't spend your time worrying about things down here. Colossians 3:1-2 (TLB)

<sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> ... You ought to live holy and godly lives <sup>12</sup> as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. <sup>13</sup> But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.

2 Peter 3:11-14 (NIV)

<sup>13</sup> No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Philippians 3:13-14