

WHAT WILL WE DO IN HEAVEN?

2 Corinthians 4.17, 18 // December 19, 2021

HOW WILL WE INTERACT WITH OTHERS?

Questions to Consider When Thinking of the Future Earth

- What does the Bible say?
- What does it forbid?
- Will it glorify God?
- Is it inherently sinful or evil?
- Does it coincide with the idea of continuity?
- Was it a part of God's "very good" creation and design?

Daniel 7.27

The sins which so often made us tremble, are washed away in the blood of Jesus, and are, therefore, no longer a source of trouble. The remembrance of them rather intensifies our love for the God of mercy, and therefore increases our happiness. **-Bourdreau**

WHAT WILL BE IN OUR MEMORY?

C.S. Lewis said, "some mortals say of some temporary suffering, "no future bliss can make up for it," but they don't know that Heaven, once attained, will work backwards and turn even that agony into a glory."

Luke 6.20-23 // 1 Corinthians 10.31

I know that Christ is all in all, and it is the presence of God that makes heaven to actually be heaven. Yet it sweetens the thoughts of that place to me that there are such a multitude of my most dear and precious friends in Christ.

-Richard Baxter

EVER-INCREASING JOY AND DISCOVERY

God is the Creator, and we have been made in His image. We will spend our days and years doing all things "to the glory of God." We will continue to create, build, explore, discover, and invent various ways to glorify Him, bless others, magnify His goodness, draw worship from our hearts, give us awe over His creation, and cause our amazement of Him and enjoyment of the good gifts He gave us.

**Whatever we think or imagine may be in Heaven, it's possible that it may *not* be there. But one thing we can know for sure:
it will be better than we can think or imagine.**

Christianity is not a platonic religion that regards material things as mere shadows of reality, which will be sloughed off as soon as possible. Not the mere immortality of the soul, but rather the resurrection of the body and the renewal of all creation is the hope of the Christian faith. **-John Piper**

Colossians 3.1-4 // Ephesians 3.20, 21

NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Psalms 136:1

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?
Read **2 Corinthians 4.17, 18**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself
What do you worry about when it comes to Heaven? Remembrance of pain, sorrows, or unsure of how relationships will be? What Gospel truths give you rest and even excitement for Heaven, even if your questions remain unanswered?

Your Life Mission
Having our minds fixed on the amazing hope of Heaven is a tremendous fuel for the sharing of our faith. What relationships in your life would you like prayer for, maybe even that you are a little fearful of when it comes to sharing the Gospel? How does the excitement of Heaven motivate you?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
 - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God’s goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week’s text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
 - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don’t need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
 - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God’s desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God’s love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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