

AFTERLIFE

MESSAGE NOTES

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What Will We Do Forever?

Because you'll be with Jesus and live out your eternal design, eagerly anticipate Heaven

1. Don't be sentimental because your skin and bones is a rental

Philippians 1:21-24

"To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord"

1 Corinthians 15:42-50

2. Just like we'll have new bodies, so there will be a new Heaven and new Earth

2 Peter 3:10-13

Revelation 21:1-5

It's not that anyone is really going to Heaven, but that Jesus' followers are going to live on the new Earth

3. Heaven will be amazing because Jesus will be there

1 John 3:1-2

Revelation 19:11-16

We will experience joyful rest

We will engage in physical activities with physical bodies

We will enjoy social interactions with one another

We will exercise responsibility and service

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HOME GROUP NOTES

Week of May 19, 2019

1. What do you perceive as the wins or losses of changing our service times in the near future? What service are you going to attend?
2. What questions do you have about Heaven & Hell that haven't been addressed in this series yet?
3. Was the idea that there's an "intermediate state" prior to what we commonly think of as "Heaven" problematic for you? Why or why not?
4. Have you heard the phrase "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord" before? If so, has that been a source of peace and comfort for you or something different?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-55 together. Why are you excited about having a new body that is "of Heaven" someday?
6. Read Revelation 21–22:5 together. As you do, take note of the descriptors of what the New Earth/New Jerusalem will be like as well as what kinds of things this passage says that we'll be doing for eternity?
7. Honestly, does the fact that you will get to be with Jesus forever make Heaven attractive to you? If so, why? If not, why not?
8. When you consider the four things that we noted that we will do in Heaven, do any of those surprise you? Are there any that you wish weren't a part of eternity?
9. Knowing that one aspect of what we'll do has to do with "ruling and reigning," does that provide motivation for you to live a life here that will be rewarded with a leadership role for eternity? If so, why? If not, why not?
10. What are other motivators that you think of regarding our "eager anticipation toward Heaven" that weren't mentioned in the message last Sunday? How do those keep you motivated to focus "on what is unseen, not on what is seen?"