

What does the Word of God tell us about heaven?

Psalm 115:3: "Our God is in the heavens, and He does as He pleases."

1Corinthians 2:9-10: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him. But God has revealed *them* to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God." 2Corinthians 5:1: "For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands."

Revelation 22:5: "There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever."

Matthew 22:30: "At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven."

Isaiah 55:9: "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."

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Matthew 19:14: "Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Am I a child of God, living under His authority in Christ, and looking forward to eternal life in heaven?

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Revelation 21:4

What can true followers of Christ expect to see and enjoy in heaven? Rev. 7:9-10: "I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation *belongs* to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Rev. 21:3: "And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God." Psalm 16:11: "In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore."

Isaiah 25:8: "He will swallow up death forever, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken."

1John 3:2-3: "We know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure."

Is my heart focused on following Christ into eternal life in heaven, or do I rather delight in the pleasures of this world?

"Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God." John 3:3

How is one granted eternal life in the Kingdom of God in heaven?

John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

John 14:6: "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 11:25-26: "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in Me will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in Me and believes in Me will never ever die."

John 3:26: "He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

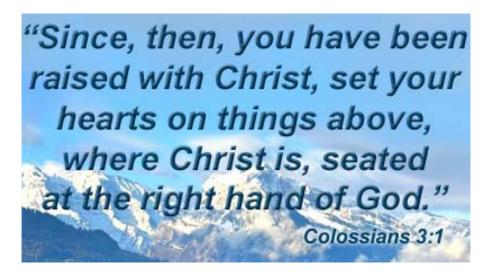
Why?

Acts 4:12: "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

The reason Jesus warned us in Matthew 7:13-14: "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide *is* the gate and broad *is* the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow *is* the gate and difficult *is* the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it."

Psalm 14:2 declare: "The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God."

What does God see in my heart right now?



What should the focus of our life be in order to inherit the kingdom of God?

Matthew 16:19-20: "Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven."

Matthew 10:28: "Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."

Why must we focus on Christ above all?

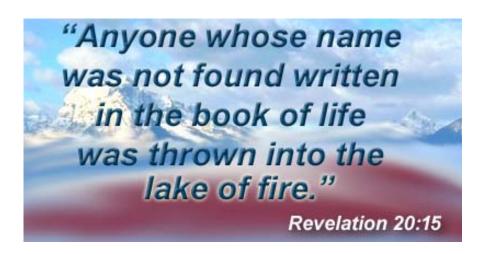
1Tim. 6:7: "For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out."

Philip. 3:20-21: "For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself."

Eph 6:12: "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places.*" Our solution then is:

Eph 6:13: "Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm."

Is Christ the ultimate focus of my life, or is my heart with the world?



What is the alternative to salvation through believing in and following Christ?

John 3:36: "He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

Psalm 145:20: "The LORD preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy."

Rev. 21:8: "But cowards, unbelievers, the corrupt, murderers, the immoral, those who practice witchcraft, idol worshipers, and all liars, their fate is in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

Mat. 13:49-50: "So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Rev. 14:11: "And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

Why?

Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

What's more?

Mat. 7:21: "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven."

Is my choice to follow Christ, or do I rather choose to follow the world?