

“What Will Heaven Be Like?”

(Preparing Our Hearts for Eternity Future NOW)
(Selected Scriptures)

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Introduction:

1. The Reality of Eternity: What Does God Say in His Word?

- A. A Fact of Life: Death.** Every newborn baby’s cry guarantees a new grave.
 - Different views of what happens when we die? (Hebrews 9:27)
- B. A Fact of Death: Eternity.** (Ecclesiastes 3:11)
 - Different views of eternity:
 - 1.) Abraham’s Bosom: Paradise. (Luke 16:19-31)
 - 2.) Soul Sleep. (Matthew 27:52; John 11:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:14)
 - 3.) Annihilation.
 - 4.) Purgatory.
 - 5.) Heaven. (2 Corinthians 5:8; Philipians 1:23) The Westminster Confession.
- C. A Fact of Eternity: Heaven or Hell?** (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

2. The Reality of Heaven: What Does God Say in His Word?

A. Heaven’s Malarky: The Fascination, Lies and Disinterest on the Subject of Heaven.

B. Heaven’s Reality: What Difference Should it Make?

- Knowing there is a heaven should keep us from making terrible mistakes with our lives now.
- Knowing there is a heaven encourages us to know our lives have meaning and purpose.
- Knowing there is a heaven brings hope and comfort when times are difficult.
- Knowing there is a heaven sets all wrongs right and injustices righteously judged.
- Knowing there is a heaven makes me want to be sure I’m going there.

C. Heaven’s Locality: Where Is Heaven?

- The Atmospheric / Tropospheric Heaven:
- The Stratospheric Heaven:
- The Mesospheric Heaven:
- The Ionospheric Heaven:
- The Exospheric Heaven:
- The Divine Heaven:

D. Heaven’s Imagery: What will Heaven be Like?

- The Throne of God Described: Revelation 4:1-5
- The Sea of Glass Described: Revelation 4:6
- The New Earth and Heaven Described / The New Jerusalem Described: Revelation 21:1-27
- The River of Life Runs Through it. Revelation 22:1
- The Tree of Life for the Healing of the Nations: Revelation 22:2
- The Holiness, Perfection and Purity of Heaven Described: Revelation 22:3-5
- We will know as we are known.