

## Seeing This Life from an Eternal Perspective

*“After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, “Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this.” (Revelation 4:1 NKJV)*

There used to be a saying that a person was “so heavenly minded that they were no earthly good!” Like many sayings attributed to grandma as words of wisdom, this one is theologically incorrect. In fact the opposite is true. According to scripture the reality is that as born again believers we are seated with Christ at the right hand of God the Father in heaven.

“Every blessing is now connected with the Lord Jesus at the right hand of the Father. ‘Hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ’ (Eph. 1:3). It is a great thing to have the consciousness that we are bound up with Him there in heavenly glory, and to know that we are with Him in that sphere of ascension to participate in all that constitutes His life in that blessed circle of love and glory where He lives unto the Father. If we apprehend this we shall not be deceived and intoxicated by what goes on upon the earth.” -C.A.C.<sup>1</sup>

It is so easy for me to view life and the events of this world through human eyes when our Savior invites us into His presence to view things from His perspective. But viewing things from an earthly perspective can get pretty discouraging at best. So as I enter into fellowship with Him this morning I will seek to understand **His perspective** on all of the things that happen today

“Our growth is wrought out in our lives down here; but it is formed up there in fellowship with the Lord Jesus, where our affections and minds get into the condition to be manifested down here.” -J.N.D.<sup>2</sup>

*“Lord help me today to see through your eyes that I will be heavenly minded and of much earthly good for your kingdom and glory. Amen”*

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<sup>1</sup> Stanford, M. J. (2002). *Complete Works of Miles J. Stanford*. Galaxie Software.

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