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For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Romans 10:13

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What Is Heaven Like?

Things From the Bible About Our Reward

In all of our lives here on earth we will always find trouble. From the complexity of raising a household of children to the responsibilities of our jobs, the trouble never seems to end. Life ends in death and the existentialist would argue that life is therefore absurd. What is life worth? What happens to us after we die? Does the reward for maintaining our responsibilities in life warrant the trouble?

Paul made mention of Heaven in the Bible when he said, *“But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him”* (1 Corinthians 2:9). This seems to be just the opposite of what God said in the garden of Eden: *“In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return* (Genesis 3:19). So what is Heaven like and what does it mean to us?

God made the earth and man perfect until one thing came along that corrupted them both: sin. If it wasn't for sin the earth would be like Heaven. We experience forms of Heaven here, such as the birth of a child, landing that perfect job and things of that nature. But this is nothing like Heaven itself. Because on the flip side of that coin there are a lot of things on the earth that are like Hell, though not as bad as Hell. Sometimes we contract a disease, we lose a job and our finances are ruined, etc.

In all my 27 years of being saved and attending church, I have never heard a entire message dedicated to Heaven. I have never heard it by a pastor, an evangelist, a missionary or any other person. I have not even heard such a message from an audio recording or conference speaker. It does not seem to be a popular subject, but what more hope can we have for the poor of our church and community than the hope of Heaven?

In Revelation 21:1-8, the Bible talks about a *New Heaven and a New Earth* which is a type of Heaven—where we go after we die if we are saved. It says there is no suffering there, no tears and no sorrow. Imagine a world like that? Isn't suffering the nature of the world we live in?

The other important thing you have to remember about Heaven is that there is no sin there. It is a place where



This picture shows the vast expanse of sky that composes the heavens (also called the firmament above the waters) and the land and some animals below. God created the world for our edification and enjoyment, but has it been that way? When sin entered into mankind through Adam and Eve, life became more difficult. God said that the man would live by the sweat of his brow and the woman would feel pain in childbearing. So, the reward then is not on this earth—it is in the life thereafter. Jesus said that *Heaven* would be our reward if we were saved. Is that a motivation to go soul winning?

there is a constant worshipping and glorifying of Jehovah. Although we do worship God here on the earth, the songs are loud in Heaven in glorification of God.

People do not defraud people in Heaven, and there does not need to be laws because we are perfect there. Our bodies, minds and spirits and souls are perfect in Heaven—there is no flaw where we could corrupt our brother. Imagine having a new body free from diseases and malfunctioning. No one is ugly, overweight or underweight, and everything is perfect about us. We have a resurrected body.

We will meet the angels and saints in Heaven. Paul will be there. Peter will be there. All of the martyrs of the Dark Ages will be there. Great preachers who have passed away will be there. Our loved ones and friends who were saved will be there. But most important, Jesus will be there and he will meet you personally when you get there.

I can not emphasize enough the importance of soul winning and people getting saved in contemporary society today. Without salvation, people will live with the sufferings of this earth and have no Heaven to look forward to for all of eternity. It is much like a man being blind all his life then dying and

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