



Why Study Heaven

Colossians 3, 1 Corinthians 2, Deuteronomy 29, Philippians 3

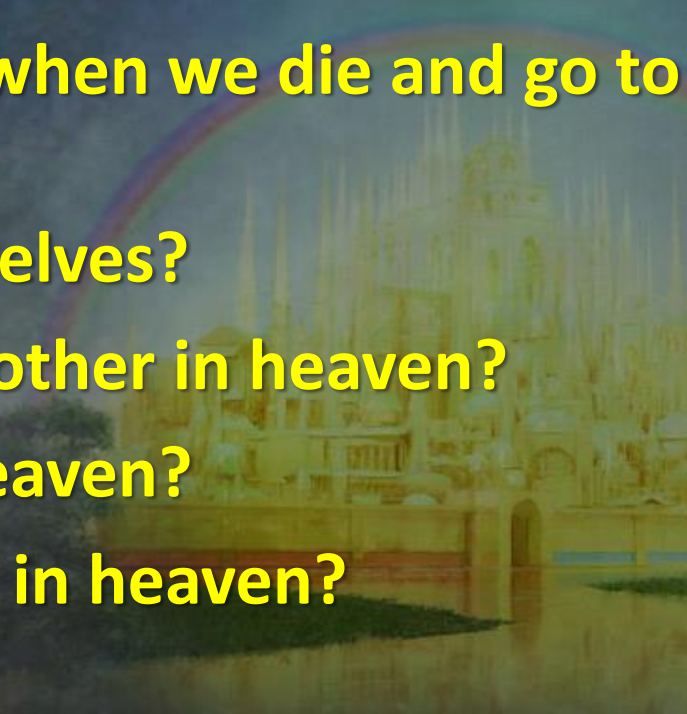
Christians Are Going There

- For almost 2000 years heaven was an important focal point of every believer, but for some reason today, heaven has fallen off our radar screens.
- Christians pay little attention to the details concerning their eternal destiny as they become more materialistic and affluent.
- Why are we not more heavenly minded?
 - We are too earthly minded.
 - We are too occupied with the means, manner, and timeframe of how we are going to get to heaven.
 - We do not want to think about our own death.
 - Some of us are not going there.

We Study Heaven Because We Can

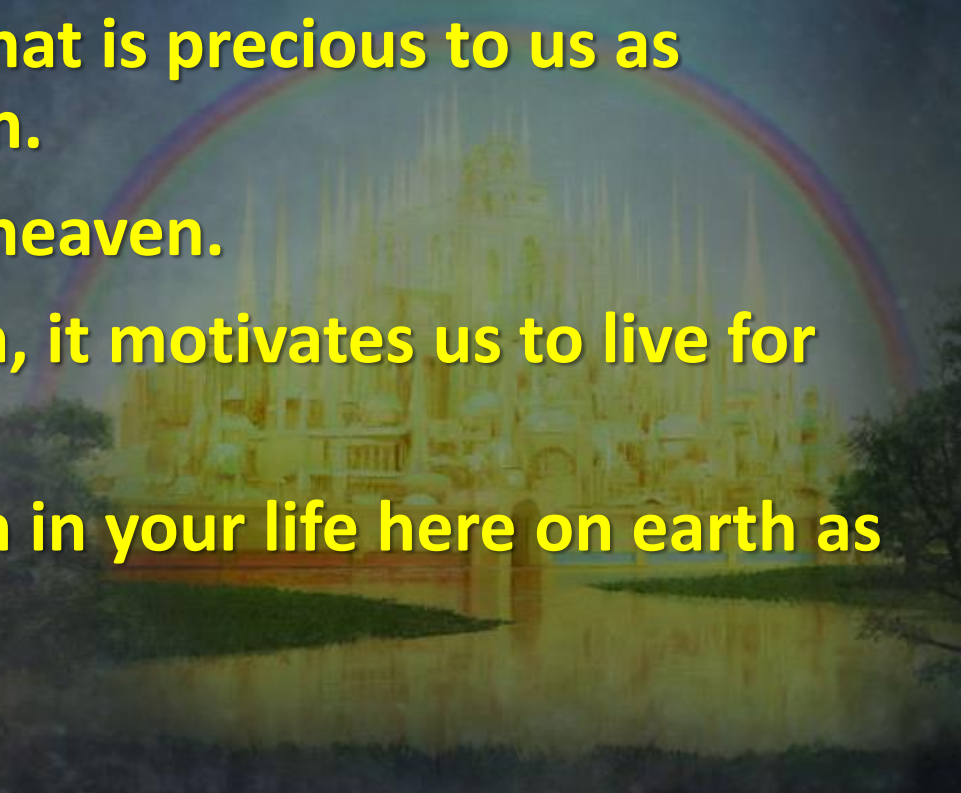
- What do you know definitely and categorically that you can prove from the scriptures about heaven?
- Most of our understandings of heaven are based on sentimentalism, songs, hymns, and choruses that we sing or near-death experiences that we read about.
- We must make sure that our understanding of heaven comes from nowhere else but God's Word.
- God has revealed a great deal of material regarding heaven therefore we can have accurate knowledge about it when we study the scriptures that God has given.

Misconceptions and Unanswered Questions

- Where do the dead go now?
 - Is heaven a physical place?
 - Will we have a body when we die and go to heaven?
 - Will we look like ourselves?
 - Will we know one another in heaven?
 - What will we do in heaven?
 - Will there be animals in heaven?
 - Will we see God?
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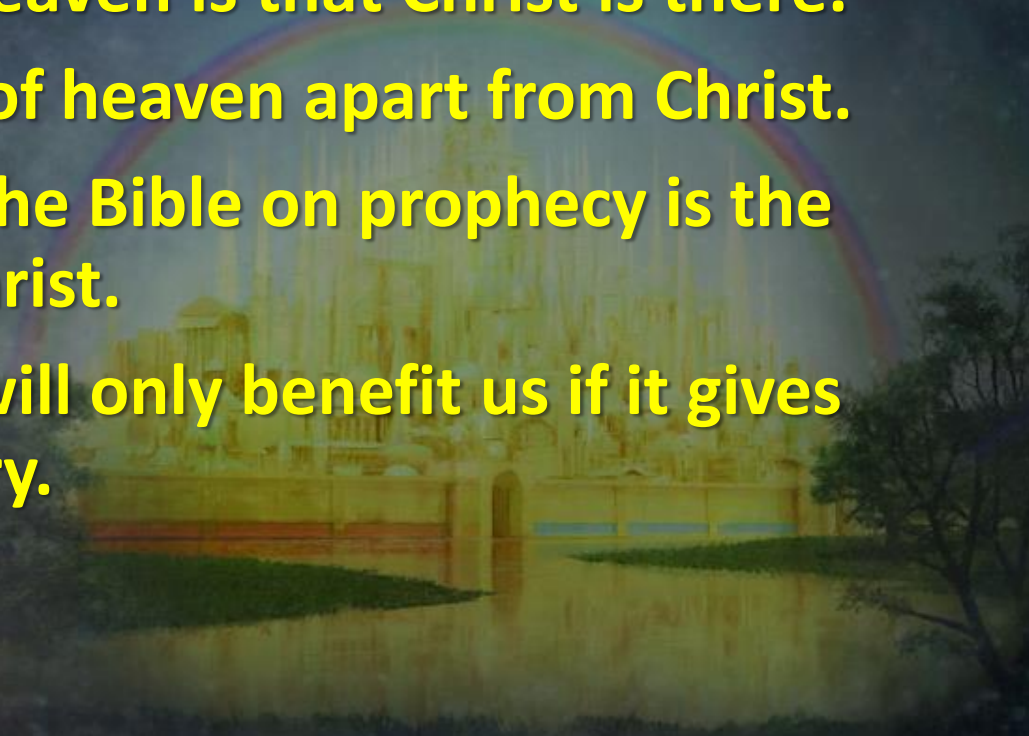
Heaven Ought to be Our Focus Here on Earth

- Our eyes should be heavenward constantly.
- As believers, our focus should be on heaven because everything that is precious to us as Christians is in heaven.
- Our inheritance is in heaven.
- If we focus on heaven, it motivates us to live for Christ.
- What do you focus on in your life here on earth as a believer?



We Study Heaven Because Jesus is There

- There is a danger that we get so taken up with studying heaven, that we forget that the reason for wanting to go to heaven is that Christ is there.
- We must never think of heaven apart from Christ.
- The greatest book in the Bible on prophecy is the Revelation of Jesus Christ.
- Our study of heaven will only benefit us if it gives us glimpses of His glory.



Conclusion

- Do you have a glimpse of glory?
- One glimpse of Jesus in Glory will help you make it through the fog.
- One glimpse of Jesus in Glory will take you to the end of your journey.

