HEAVEN THE FUTURE HOME OF THE REDEEMED

TEXT:

Philippians 3:20-21:

For our conversation [citizenship] is in Heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His Glorious Body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.

John 14:2-3:

- ² In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Psalms 23:6: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my Life: and I will dwell in the House of the LORD for ever.

1 Corinthians 2:9: 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.

INTRODUCTION

HEAVEN is the future home of all those redeemed and saved from their sins by the PRECIOUS BLOOD of THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

HEAVEN is the future home of all those redeemed and saved from their sins by the precious Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are now citizens of this Heavenly country. It will be our future home for all the ceaseless ages of eternity. Since we will be living there forever and ever, it would only

be natural for us to want to know all we can about our FUTURE HOME.

Our Heavenly Father and OUR LORD JESUS are sparing nothing to make it

the most beautiful place in all the universe.

When we were going to Israel, we made plans for weeks, gathering information. We watched videos of other believers' previous tours, and learned more about the places where Jesus was born and lived for 33 years. Since we plan to live in Heaven for all the timeless ages of eternity, we want to know all we can about our wonderful new homeland. We are indebted to God for giving us so much reliable information about Heaven.

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2 Corinthians 12:2, 4:

- ² I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third Heaven.
- ⁴ How that he was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

That **THIRD HEAVEN** is the one we will be focusing all our attention on. In the book of **Hebrews**, it is called SHACKAQIM (שְׁחָקִים) which is where God's Throne is located. In Greek, it is EPOURANIOS.

The First Heaven where the birds fly and airplanes travel is called in Hebrew SHAMAYIM (שׁמים); in Greek it is called OURANOS.

HEAVEN IS A LITERAL PLACE.

HEAVEN is not a figment of someone's imagination.

It is not a state of mind.

It is <u>not</u> a fantasy or a pipe dream.

It is <u>not</u> an air castle in some beautiful isle or somewhere as a song writer would say.

Heaven is <u>not</u> a false vision induced by someone getting high on drugs or alcohol.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT HEAVEN?

Would God sacrifice His most precious Son on Calvary to pay our sin's debt in order to take us to an imaginary place — a flimsy air castle?

Deuteronomy 26:15: Look down from THY HOLY HABITATION, from HEAVEN, and bless Thy people Israel.

Today, the LORD your God has commanded you to obey these laws and teachings with all your heart and soul.

Ezekiel 3:12: Then the Spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, "Blessed be the glory of the Lord from His place."

The Spirit lifted me up, and as the glory of the LORD started to leave, I heard a loud, thundering noise behind me.

Hosea 5:15: I will go and return to My place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek My face: in their affliction they will seek Me early.

Then I'll return to My Temple until they confess their guilt and worship Me, until they are desperate and beg for My help.

1 Kings 8:30: And hearken Thou to the supplication of Thy servant, and of Thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear Thou in Heaven Thy dwelling place: and when Thou hearest, forgive.

I am Your servant, and the people of Israel belong to You. So whenever any of us looks toward this Temple and prays, "Lord answer from Your home in Heaven, when You hear, forgive our sins."

Isaiah 63:15: Look down from Heaven, and behold from the habitation of Thy Holiness and of Thy Glory: where is Thy zeal and Thy strength, the sounding of Thy bowels and of Thy mercies toward Me? are they restrained?

Psalms 33:13-14:

¹³ The LORD looketh from Heaven; He beholdeth all the sons of men.



¹⁴ From the place of His habitation He looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

Zechariah 2:13: Be silent, O all flesh, before the Lord, for He is raised up out of HIS HOLY HABITATION.

Jeremiah 25:30: Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter His voice from His Holy Habitation; He shall mightily roar upon His habitation; He shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

Jude 6: And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgment of the Great Day.

Isaiah 26:21: For, behold the LORD cometh out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

HEAVEN IS HIDDEN FROM VIEW TO MANKIND BY A CLOUD COVER

Job 26:9: He holdest back the face of His throne, and spreadeth His cloud upon it.

Psalms 97:2: Clouds and darkness are round about Him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of His throne.

Job 22:13-14:

- 13 And thou sayest, How doth God know? can He judge through the dark cloud?
- 14 Thick clouds are a covering to Him, that He seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of Heaven.

HEAVEN IS A PLACE OF ENDURING SUBSTANCE.

Hebrews 10:34: For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in Heaven a better and an enduring substance.

Definition of SUBSTANCE:

Luke 8:3: And Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and

Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto Him of their substance.

The Prodigal Son wasted his SUBSTANCE with riotous living.



Luke 15:13: And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

KEY WORD: "THINGS" REFERRING TO HEAVEN

1 Corinthians 2:9: But as it is written, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the <u>things</u> which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

2 Corinthians 4:18: While we look not at the <u>things</u> which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

Colossians 3:1: If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those <u>things</u> which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right Hand of God.

Colossians 1:16: For by Him were all things created, that are in Heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him:

Hebrews 9:23: It was therefore necessary that the patterns of <u>things</u> in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly <u>things</u> themselves with better sacrifices than these.

WHERE IS HEAVEN LOCATED?

Astronomers have located this empty place, spoken of it in:

Job 26:7: He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and

changeth the earth upon nothing.

Psalms 48:2: Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

Psalms 75:6: For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south.

Did you take notice that only one direction is left out? God wants us to think and to get the message by perceiving what He is saying. The north is where His throne is located, and that is where true promotion comes from.

GOD KNOWS WHAT IS IN A MAN'S HEART

Isaiah 14:13: For thou [Lucifer] hast said in thine heart, ... (God knows what people are thinking inside, for He can read our thoughts like a book) . . . "I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:"

1 Kings 8:39: Then hear Thou in Heaven Thy dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart Thou knowest; (for Thou, even Thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of men;)

1 Samuel 16:7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, "Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart."



Ezekiel 11:5-7:

- 5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, "Speak; Thus saith the LORD: Thus have ye said, 'O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them."
- 6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the Throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the Seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

- 7 And He came and took the Book out of the right Hand of Him that sat upon the Throne.
- ⁸ And when He had taken the Book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.
- ⁹ And they sung a new song, saying, "Thou art worthy to take the Book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;"

Ezekiel 1:4-5:

- ⁴ And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.
- ⁵ Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

Ezekiel 1:26-28:

- ²⁶ And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.
- ²⁷ And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of His Loins even upward, and from the appearance of His Loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.
- ²⁸ As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the Glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of One that spake.

Ezekiel 2:1: And He said unto me, "Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee."

WHAT KIND OF PLACE IS HEAVEN?

HEAVEN and NEW JERUSALEM — the ETERNAL CITY — are both

places of breathtaking and unspeakable BEAUTY.

The apostle Paul tried to describe it, but words failed him to adequately reveal its splendors. This is how he had to finally summarize it:

1 Corinthians 2:9: 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.

Hebrews 11:16: But now they desire a better country, that is, an Heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city.

1. Heaven is a HOLY PLACE

Deuteronomy 26:16: This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

Isaiah 63:15: Look down from Heaven, and behold from the habitation of Thy Holiness and of Thy Glory: where is Thy zeal and Thy strength, the sounding of Thy bowels and of Thy mercies toward Me? are they restrained?

Isaiah 57:15: For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, Whose Name is Holy; I dwell in the high and Holy Place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

Jeremiah 25:30: Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter His voice from His Holy habitation; He shall mightily roar upon His habitation; He shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

2. Heaven is a BEAUTIFUL PLACE

Psalms 48:2: Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

3. Everything in Heaven will be brand new.

THE NEW JERUSALEM

Revelation 3:12: Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the Temple

of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the Name of My God, and the Name of the city of My God, which is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of Heaven from My God: and I will write upon him My new Name.

Revelation 21:2: And I John saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.



NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH

Isaiah 65:17: For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

Isaiah 66:22: "For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before Me," saith the LORD, "so shall your seed and your name remain."

2 Peter 3:13: Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Revelation 21:1: And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

We will have a NEW NAME.

Revelation 2:17: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

We will sing NEW SONGS

Revelation 5:14: And the four beasts said, "Amen." And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped Him that liveth for ever and ever.

Revelation 14:3: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could

learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

4. BEAUTIFUL MANSIONS are there.

John 14:2: The Words of Jesus - In My Father's House are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

5. 100% Pure, Free Water is there.

Revelation 21:6: And He said unto me, "It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely."

Revelation 22:1: And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.



- 6. Free rent no taxes no utilities
- 7. Perfect health conditions freedom from all germs and diseases
- 8. We will have NEW Immortal Bodies which can never grow old and no limitations, just like Jesus' Resurrection Body.

Philippians 3:21: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious Body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.

John 3:2: The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto Him, "Rabbi, we know that Thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that Thou doest, except God be with Him."

- 1 Corinthians 15:53-54:
- ⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
- 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this

mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

9. Beautiful STREETS paved with transparent gold, clear as crystal.

Revelation 21:21: And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

10. Heaven is a place of Perfect Beauty, Perfect Love, with no discords, no selfishness – perfect Peace, Harmony, and Happiness.

11. Heaven is a place of ENDLESS LIFE.

Matthew 25:46: And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

John 3:15-16:

¹⁵ That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 10:28: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My Hand.

Romans 6:23: For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12. Beautiful Music

Revelation 14:2-3:

² And I heard a voice from Heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:



³ And they sung as it were a new song before the Throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

13. For to me to LIVE IS CHRIST and TO DIE IS GAIN.

Philippians 1:21-24:

- ²¹ For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.
- ²² But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.
- ²³ For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:
- ²⁴ Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you.

2 Corinthians 5:8: We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

14. Heaven is a place of REST from all our labors.

Revelation 6:11: And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

Revelation 14:13: And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me,



"Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

Hebrews 4:8-9:

⁸ For if Jesus had given them rest, then would He not afterward have spoken of another day.

9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Luke 16:22-25:

- ²² And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;
- ²³ And in Hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.
- ²⁴ And he cried and said, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame."

²⁵ But Abraham said, "Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented."

15. Heaven is a place of HAPPY REUNIONS.

- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17:
- ¹³ But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.



- ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.
- ¹⁵ For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.
- ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- ¹⁷ Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:10: Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3:
- ¹ Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him,
- ² That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the Day of Christ is at hand.
- ³ Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

16. HEAVEN is a place of ENDLESS PLEASURES

Psalms 16:11: Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right Hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Psalms 36:8: They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of Thy House; and Thou shalt make them drink of the river of Thy pleasures.

17. HEAVEN is a place of unending JOYS

Psalms 16:11: Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right Hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Matthew 25:20-21:

²⁰ And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, "Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more."

²¹ His lord said unto him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

John 16:22: And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I [Jesus] will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

REMARKABLE PROOFS HEAVEN IS REAL

God wants us to know for sure that Heaven is a REAL and LITERAL PLACE

What Heaven is **NOT**:

- NOT a FAIRYLAND
- NOT a DRFAM WORLD
- NOT a SPECULATION
- NOT a STATE of MIND
- NOT a RELIGIOUS FICTION
- NOT a FANTASY.



HERE IS A LIST OF MANY THINGS WHICH WILL BE SEEN IN HEAVEN

1. AN ALTAR . . .

Isaiah 6:6: Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the Altar:

Revelation 6:9: And when He had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the Altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

Revelation 8:3: And another angel came and stood at the Altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden Altar which was before the Throne.

Revelation 8:5: And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the Altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

Revelation 9:13: And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden Altar which is before God,

Revelation 11:1: And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, "Rise, and measure the Temple of God, and the Altar, and them that worship therein."

Revelation 14:18: And another angel came out from the Altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to Him that had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in Thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe."

Revelation 16:7: And I heard another out of the Altar say, "Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are Thy Judgments."

2. ARK OF THE NEW TESTAMENT or COVENANT . . .

Revelation 11:19: And the Temple of God was opened in Heaven, and there was seen in His Temple the Ark of His testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

3. ANIMALS . . . (horses)

Revelation 19:11: And I saw Heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in Righteousness He doth judge and make war.



4. BOOKS IN THE WORD OF GOD . . .

- THE BOOK OF THE LIVING
- THE LAMB'S BOOK of LIFE
- THE BOOK of REMEMBRANCE

Malachi 3:16: Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a <u>Book of Remembrance</u> was written before Him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon His Name.

Exodus 32:32-33:

³² Yet now, if Thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of <u>Thy Book</u> which Thou hast written.

³³ And the LORD said unto Moses, "Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of <u>My Book</u>."

Psalms 69:28: Let them be blotted out of the Book of the Living, and not be written with the righteous.

Daniel 7:9-10:

- ⁹ I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of Days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool: His Throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire.
- ¹⁰ A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him: thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him: the judgment was set, and <u>the books</u> were opened.

Daniel 12:1: And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the Book.

Luke 10:20: Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in Heaven. (Jesus speaking to His disciples)

Revelation 3:5: He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the <u>Book of Life</u>, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

Revelation 5:1: And I saw in the Right Hand of Him that sat on the Throne <u>a Book</u> written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.

Revelation 10:1-2:

- ¹ And I saw another mighty angel come down from Heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon His Head, and His face was as it were the sun, and His feet as pillars of fire:
- ² And He had in His Hand a <u>little Book</u> open: and He set His right foot upon the sea, and His left foot on the earth,

Revelation 10:10-11:

- ¹⁰ And I took the <u>little Book</u> out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.
- ¹¹ And He said unto me, "Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings."

Revelation 13:8: And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him,

whose names are not written in the <u>Book of Life</u> of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Revelation 20:11-12:

11 And I saw a Great White Throne, and Him that sat on it, from Whose face the earth and the Heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

¹² And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the Books were opened: and <u>ANOTHER Book</u> was opened, which is the <u>Book of Life</u>: and the dead were <u>Judged out of those things</u> which were written in the Books, according to their works.

Revelation 20:15: And whosoever was <u>not</u> found written in the <u>Book</u> <u>of Life</u> was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21:27: And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Revelation 22:18-19:

¹⁸ For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the Prophecy of <u>this Book</u>, If any man shall ADD unto these things, God shall ADD unto him the plagues that are written in <u>this Book</u>:

¹⁹ And if any man shall <u>take away</u> from the Words of the Book of this Prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the <u>Book of Life</u>, and out of the Holy City, and from the things which are written in <u>this Book</u>.

5. CHARIOTS . . .

2 Kings 2:11: And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into Heaven.



2 Kings 6:17: And Elisha prayed, and said, "Lord, I pray Thee, open his eyes, that he may see." And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

Zechariah 6:1: And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass.

6. COUNTRY...

Matthew 21:33: Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:

Matthew 25:14: For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

Mark 12:1: And He began to speak unto them by parables. A certain

man planted a vineyard, and set an hedge about it, and digged a place for the winefat, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country.

Luke 19:12: He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.

Luke 20:9: Then began He to speak to the people this parable [of the Tenants]; A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time.

Hebrews 11:14-16:

14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.



of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly:

wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city.

7. COALS OF FIRE . . .

Isaiah 6:6: Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the Altar:

Revelation 8:3-6:

- ³ And another angel came and stood at the Altar, having a Golden Censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.
- ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

- ⁵ And the angel took the Censer, and filled it with fire of the Altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
- ⁶ And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

8. CROWNS...

1 Corinthians 9:25: And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

2 Timothy 4:8: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.

James 1:12: Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the Crown of Life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.

Revelation 2:10: Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a Crown of Life.

Revelation 3:11: Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Revelation 4:4: And round about the Throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Revelation 4:10: The four and twenty elders fall down before Him that sat on the Throne, and worship Him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the Throne, saying, . . .

Revelation 14:14: And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud One sat like unto the Son of man, having on His Head a golden crown, and in His Hand a sharp sickle. Revelation 19:12: His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His Head were many crowns; and He had a Name written, that no man knew, but He Himself.

9. CENSER . . . which is golden

Revelation 8:3-6:

- ³ And another angel came and stood at the Altar, having a Golden Censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.
- ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.
- ⁵ And the angel took the Censer, and filled it with fire of the Altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
- ⁶ And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

10. DOORS & POSTS . . .

Isaiah 6:4: And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Revelation 4:1: After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in Heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, "Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter."

11. FOOD & BANQUETS . . .

Matthew 22:4: Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, "Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage."



Luke 14:16: Then said He unto him, "A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:"

Luke 14:24: For I say unto you, "That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of My supper."

Luke 22:16: For I say unto you, "I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.

Luke 22:18: For I say unto you, "I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of God shall come."

Luke 22:30: That ye may eat and drink at My Table in My Kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Revelation 2:7: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the Tree of Life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.

Revelation 2:17: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.



Revelation 7:17: For the Lamb which is in the midst of the Throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Revelation 19:1: And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in Heaven, saying, "Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:"

Revelation 19:9: And he saith unto me, "Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb." And he saith unto me, "These are the true sayings of God."

12. FOUNTAINS of WATER . . .



Revelation 7:17: For the Lamb which is in the midst of the Throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

13. FIRE & HAIL . . .

Revelation 8:7: The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

Revelation 16:17-21:

- ¹⁷ And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the Temple of Heaven, from the Throne, saying, "It is done."
- ¹⁸ And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.
- ¹⁹ And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.
- ²⁰ And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.
- ²¹ And there fell upon men a great hail out of Heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Revelation 20:9: And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of Heaven, and devoured them.

14a. GRAPEVINES

Matthew 26:29: Jesus speaking - But I say unto you, "I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's Kingdom."

14b. INCENSE

Revelation 8:3-4:

- ³ And another angel came and stood at the Altar, having a Golden Censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.
- ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of he saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

15. KEYS & CHAINS

Jude 6-7:

6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgment



of the Great Day.

⁷ Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Revelation 9:1: And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from Heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

Revelation 20:1-3:

- ¹ And I saw an angel come down from Heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.
- ² And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil, and satan, and bound him a thousand years,
- ³ And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

16. LAMPS

Revelation 4:5: And out of the Throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the Throne, which are the Seven Spirits of God.

17. MANSIONS

John 14:1-3: (The Words of Jesus)

- ¹ "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.
- ² In My Father's House are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

18. MEASURING RULE or ROD

Revelation 11:1: And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and

the angel stood, saying, "Rise, and measure the Temple of God, and the Altar, and them that worship therein."

Revelation 21:15-17:

- ¹⁵ And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.
- ¹⁶ And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.
- ¹⁷ And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

19. MOUNTAINS

Zechariah 6:1: And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two



mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass.

Revelation 14:1: And I looked, and, Io, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's Name written in their foreheads.

Ezekiel 28:14: Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the Holy Mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

20. PALM TREES (branches)

Revelation 7:9: After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the Throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

21. PRECIOUS STONES

Revelation 21:11-20:

- ¹¹ Having the Glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;
- 12 And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the

gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the Twelve Tribes of the children of Israel:

- ¹³ On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.
- ¹⁴ And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve Apostles of the Lamb.
- ¹⁵ And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.
- ¹⁶ And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. ¹⁷ And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred *and* forty *and* four cubits, *according to* the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.
- ¹⁸ And the building of the wall of it was *of* jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.
- ¹⁹ And the foundations of the wall of the city *were* garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation *was* jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;
- ²⁰ The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

22. PEARLS

Revelation 21:21: And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

23. RAINBOW

Revelation 4:3: And He that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the Throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

24. RIVER

Revelation 22:1-3:

¹ And he shewed me a pure river of Water of Life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.



² In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of

the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

³ And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

25. RAIMENT

Revelation 3:5: He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the Book of Life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

Revelation 4:4: And round about the Throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

(Garments) Revelation 19:8: And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

26. ROBES

Daniel 7:9: I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of Days did sit, Whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool: His Throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire.



Revelation 1:13: And in the midst of the Seven Candlesticks One like unto the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a Golden Girdle.

Revelation 6:9-11:

⁹ And when He had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the Altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

¹⁰ And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, Holy and True, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

¹¹ And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

Revelation 7:9: After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the Throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

Revelation 13:14: And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

27. SEA of GLASS

Revelation 4:6: And before the Throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the Throne, and round about the Throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.



Revelation 15:2: And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

28. SEATS

Revelation 4:4: And round about the Throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in



white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Revelation 11:16: And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

29. STONES

Revelation 2:17: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.



Revelation 18:21: And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all."

30. STREET

Revelation 22:1-3:

- ¹ And he shewed me a pure river of Water of Life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.
- ² In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
- ³ And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

31. TABERNACLE of TESTIMONY

Revelation 13:6: And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His Name, and His Tabernacle, and them that dwell in Heaven.

Revelation 15:5: And after that I looked, and, behold, the Temple of the Tabernacle of the Testimony in Heaven was opened:

Revelation 21:3: And I heard a great Voice out of Heaven saying, "Behold, the Tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with

them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God."

32. TEMPLE

Revelation 7:15: Therefore are they before the Throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His Temple: and He that sitteth on the Throne shall dwell among them.



Revelation 11:19: And the Temple of God was opened in Heaven, and there was seen in His Temple the Ark of His Testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

Revelation 14:17: And another Angel came out of the Temple which is in Heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

Revelation 15:5, 8:

- ⁵ And after that I looked, and, behold, the Temple of the Tabernacle of the Testimony in Heaven was opened:
- ⁸ And the Temple was filled with smoke from the Glory of God, and from His power; and no man was able to enter into the Temple, till the seven plagues of the seven Angels were fulfilled.

Revelation 16:7: And I heard another out of the Altar say, "Even so, Lord God Almighty, True and Righteous are Thy Judgments."

Isaiah 6:1: In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a Throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the Temple.

33. TONGS



Isaiah 6:6:

- ⁶ Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the Altar:
- ⁷ And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

34. THRONES . . .

Job 26:9: He holdeth back the face of His throne, and spreadeth His cloud upon it.

Psalms 45:6: Thy Throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of Thy Kingdom is a right sceptre.

Psalms 47:8: God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His Holiness.

Psalms 103:19: The LORD hath prepared His Throne in the Heavens; and His Kingdom ruleth over all.

Isaiah 6:1: In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a Throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Daniel 7:9: I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, Whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool: His throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire.

Matthew 5:34: But I say unto you, "Swear not at all; neither by Heaven; for it is God's Throne:"

Matthew 23:22: And he that shall swear by Heaven, sweareth by the Throne of God, and by Him that sitteth thereon.

Hebrews 1:8: But unto the Son He saith, "Thy Throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of Righteousness is the sceptre of Thy Kingdom."

Hebrews 4:16: Let us therefore come boldly unto the Throne of Grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 12:2: Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith; Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the Cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the Right Hand of the Throne of God.

Revelation 1:4: John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His Throne;

Revelation 3:21: To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My Throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His Throne.

Revelation 4:2-6:



- ² And immediately I was in the Spirit: and, behold, a Throne was set in Heaven, and One sat on the Throne.
- ³ And He that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the Throne, in sight like unto an emerald.
- ⁴ And round about the Throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.
- ⁵ And out of the Throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the Throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.
- ⁶ And before the Throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the Throne, and round about the Throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

Revelation 4:9-11:

- ⁹ And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to Him that sat on the Throne, Who liveth for ever and ever,
- The four and twenty elders fall down before Him that sat on the Throne, and worship Him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the Throne, saying,
- 11 "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."

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Revelation 5:1, 6, 7, 11:

- ¹ And I saw in the Right Hand of Him that sat on the Throne a Book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.
- ⁶ And I beheld, and, Io, in the midst of the Throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the Seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.
- ⁷ And He came and took the Book out of the Right Hand of Him that sat upon the Throne.
- ¹¹ And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many Angels round about the Throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

35. TREASURES

Matthew 6:20: But lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

Matthew 19:21: Jesus said unto him [the rich young ruler], "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in Heaven: and come and follow Me."



Mark 10:21: Then Jesus beholding him [the rich young ruler] loved him, and said unto him, "One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in Heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow Me."

Luke 12:33: Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the Heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.

Luke 18:22: Rich Young Ruler Now when Jesus heard these things, He said unto him, "Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in Heaven: and come, follow Me." Hebrews 11:26: Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he [Moses] had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

36. TREES

Revelation 22:1-3:

- ¹ And he shewed me a pure river of Water of Life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.
- ² In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
- ³ And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

Revelation 22:14: Blessed are they that do His Commandments, that they may have right to the Tree of Life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

Revelation 7:9: After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the Throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

37. TRUMPETS

Matthew 24:29-31:

- ²⁹ Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from Heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:
 ³⁰ And then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in Heaven: and
- ³⁰ And then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in Heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of Heaven with power and great glory.
- 31 And He shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of Heaven to the other.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:16: For the Lord Himself shall

descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Revelation 8:2-6:

- ² And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.
- ³ And another Angel came and stood at the Altar, having a Golden Censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.
- ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the Angel's hand.
- ⁵ And the Angel took the Censer, and filled it with fire of the Altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
- ⁶ And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

Revelation 8:13: And I beheld, and heard an Angel flying through the midst of Heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe, to



the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!"

Revelation 9:14: Saying to the sixth Angel which had the trumpet, "Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river

Euphrates."

38. VIALS (bowls)

Revelation 5:8: And when He had taken the Book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

Revelation 8:3: And another Angel came and stood at the Altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.

Revelation 15:7: And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven Angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.

Revelation 16:1: And I heard a great voice out of the Temple saying to the seven angels, "Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth."

39. IVORY PALACES

Psalms 45:8: All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

40. SWEET SMELL

Psalms 45:8: All Thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made Thee glad.

41. TABLES

Luke 22:30: That ye may eat and drink at My table in My Kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

Revelation 19:19: And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him that sat on the horse, and against His army.

Matthew 22:2-12:

- ² The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,
- ³ And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.
- ⁴ Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, "Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage."
- ⁵ But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:
- ⁶ And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.

- ⁷ But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.
- ⁸ Then saith he to his servants, "The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.
- ⁹ Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage."
- ¹⁰ So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.
- ¹¹ And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:
- ¹² And he saith unto him, "Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment?" And he was speechless.

42. INCENSE

Revelation 8:3-4:

- ³ And another Angel came and stood at the Altar, having a Golden Censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the Golden Altar which was before the Throne.
- ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the Angel's hand.

Luke 1:11-13: (Angel Gabriel revealed John the Baptist's name)

- ¹¹ And there appeared unto him an Angel of the Lord [Gabriel] standing on the right side of the Altar of incense.
- ¹² And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.
- ¹³ But the angel said unto him, "Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John."



43. FRUITS

Revelation 2:7: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit

unto the churches; "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the Tree of Life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God."

Revelation 22:2: In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Revelation 19:1: And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in Heaven, saying, "Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:"

Revelation 19:9: And he saith unto me, "Write, 'Blessed are they which are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.'" And he saith unto me, "These are the true sayings of God."

Revelation 22:1-3:

¹ And he shewed me a pure river of Water of Life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.



² In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

³ And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His

servants shall serve Him:

HOW FAR AWAY IS HEAVEN FROM US.

The distance to Heaven is given in a unique manner, not in miles but with the following details:

The Lord Jesus ascended up to Heaven, carrying His precious Blood to purge and cleanse it from the defilement caused by the downfall of Lucifer and his angels. In Hebrews, the pattern of things in the heavens are purged by better sacrifices than the priests offered under the Levitical priesthood.

Then Jesus returned to earth on the same day for Mary is still at the

sepulcher and the other women and they are now permitted to touch Him, but were forbidden before His crucifixion, for Jesus said to Mary:

John 20:17-20:

- 17 "Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God."
- ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things unto her.
- 19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, "Peace be unto you."
- ²⁰ And when He had so said, He shewed unto them His Hands and His Side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

He showed them His Wounds.

- Jesus showed them His hands and His side.
- Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.
- Jesus said to them again:
 - —"Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

Genesis 21:17: And God heard the voice of the lad; and the Angel of God called to Hagar out of Heaven, and said unto her, "What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is."

Genesis 22:11: And the Angel of the LORD called unto him <u>out of Heaven</u>, and said, "Abraham, Abraham": and he said, "Here am I."

Exodus 16:4: Then said the LORD unto Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from Heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in My Law, or no."

John 6:31: Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from Heaven to eat.

Psalms 14:2: The LORD looked down from Heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God.

Isaiah 6:1: In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord

sitting upon a Throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple.

Acts 7:55: But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the Glory of God, and Jesus standing on the Right Hand of God,

Matthew 3:17: And Io a voice from Heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 17:5: While He yet spake, behold, a bright cloud over-

shadowed them: and behold a Voice out of the cloud, which said, "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him."



Mark 16:19: So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into Heaven, and sat on the Right Hand of God.

Luke 24:51 And it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, and carried up into Heaven.

Acts 17:27: That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after Him, and find Him, though He be

not far from every one of us:

2 Corinthians 12:2: I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third Heaven [the abode of God].

Revelation 10:1: And I saw another mighty Angel come down from Heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon His Head, and His face was as it were the sun, and His feet as pillars of fire:

Revelation 11:12: And they heard a great Voice from Heaven_saying unto them, "Come up hither." And they ascended up to Heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

Revelation 14:13: And I heard a Voice from Heaven_saying unto me, "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

HEAVEN WILL BE FAMOUS FOR ITS "NO MORES"

Some of the greatest truths God presents to us are taught in THE NEGATIVE FORM. It is often more persuasive and potent.

There are **THINGS** which will be missing in Heaven:

There will be NO MORE "DEATH"

Revelation 21:4: And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.



Luke 20:36: Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the

angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

NO MORE CURSE

Revelation 22:3: And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

NO MORE SEA

Revelation 22:1: And He shewed me a pure river of Water of Life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.

NO MORE PAIN

Revelation 22:4: And they shall see His Face; and His Name shall be in their foreheads.

NO MORE HUNGERING OR THIRSTING

Revelation 7:16: They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.



NO MORE SIN

Revelation 21:27:

And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

NO MORE PRESENCE OF SATAN

Revelation 20:1-3, 10:

- ¹ And I saw an Angel come down from Heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in His Hand.
- ² And He laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil, and satan, and bound him a thousand years,
- ³ And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.
- ¹⁰ And the devil that deceived them was cast into the Lake of Fire and brimstone, where the beast and the False Prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.
- NO MORE ASYLUMS, or WAILING AMBULANCES
- NO MORE JAILS, PRISONS, or PENITENTIARIES
- NO MORE BLASPHEMERS, WICKED PEOPLE, MURDERS, HATERS, LIARS, THIEVES, LESBIANS, HOMOSEXUALS

Job 3:17: There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING IN HEAVEN???

A. SERVING THE LORD GOD and our SAVIOUR THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Revelation 7:15: Therefore are they before the Throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His Temple: and He that sitteth on the Throne shall dwell among them.

Revelation 22:3: And there shall be no more curse: but the Throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

Revelation 19:1, 5:

- ¹ And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in Heaven, saying, "Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:"
- ⁵ And a voice came out of the Throne, saying, "Praise our God, all ye His servants, and ye that fear Him, both small and great."



Luke 12:37: Blessed are those <u>servants</u>, whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that He shall gird Himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

B. WORSHIPING and PRAISING and HONORING THE LORD GOD and THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

1 Peter 4:11: If any man speak, let him speak as the Oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to Whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 4:10-11:

¹⁰ The four and twenty elders fall down before Him that sat on the Throne, and worship Him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the Throne, saying,

"Thou art Worthy, O Lord, to receive Glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."

Revelation 5:14: And the four beasts said, "Amen". And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped Him that liveth for ever and ever.

Revelation 15:4: Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and Glorify Thy Name? for Thou only art Holy: for all nations shall come and worship before Thee; for Thy Judgments are made manifest.

Revelation 19:5: And a voice came out of the Throne, saying, "Praise our God, all ye His servants, and ye that fear Him, both small and great."



C. We will be SINGING, and it will be accompanied on musical instruments of HARPS.

Revelation 5:9-10:

9 And they sung a new song, saying, "Thou art Worthy to take the Book, and to open the Seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; 10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth."

Revelation 14:3: And they sung as it were a new song before the Throne, and before the four easts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

Revelation 14:2: And I heard a voice from Heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

Revelation 15:2-4:

- ² And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.
- ³ And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints.
- 4 Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and Glorify Thy Name? for Thou only art Holy: for all nations shall come and worship before Thee; for Thy Judgments are made manifest."



D. We will be "RESTING" from all our earthly labors and toils.

Revelation 14:13: And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me, "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth:

Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest_from their labours; and their works do follow them."

Job 3:17: There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.

Revelation 6:11: And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

Hebrews 4:8-9:

- ⁸ For if Jesus had given them rest, then would He not afterward have spoken of another day.
- ⁹ There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Revelation 3:21: To him that overcometh will I grant to <u>sit</u> with Me in My Throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His Throne.

Isaiah 11:10: And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and His rest shall be glorious.

E. The SAINTS will be JUDGING and REIGNING with CHRIST.

1 Corinthians 6:2: Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

Luke 11:31-32:

- ³¹ The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.
- ³² The men of Nineveh shall rise up in the <u>judgmen</u>t with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah is here.

Matthew 12:41-42:

41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation,

and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah is here.

⁴² The queen of the south shall rise up in the <u>judgment</u> with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.



Matthew 19:28: And Jesus said unto them, "Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit in the Throne of His Glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the

twelve tribes of Israel.

1 Peter 4:6-7:

- ⁶ For for this cause was the Gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the Spirit.
- ⁷ But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

2 Timothy 2:12: If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him: if we deny Him, He also will deny us:

Philippians 1:29: For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for His sake;

1 Peter 4:1: Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin:

Revelation 5:10: And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 1:6: And hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be Glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 2:26-27:

- ²⁶ He that overcometh, and keepeth MY WORDS unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations;
- ²⁷ And he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of a potter

shall they be broken to shivers; even as I received of My Father.

Revelation 20:4: And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Revelation 20:6: Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Revelation 22:5: And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 22:21: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

Matthew 25:21, 23:

²¹ His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

F. There will be GREAT "REJOICING" and ETERNAL JOYS with ENDLESS PLEASURES.

Psalms 16:11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Matthew 25:21, 23:

- ²¹ His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
- ²³ His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

John 16:22: And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you

again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

G. HEAVEN is a PLACE of REUNIONS with Our Loved Ones.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, and the voice of the Arch-angel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first; Then we which are alive and remain SHALL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER with THEM in the clouds, to meet the LORD in the air; so shall we ever be with the LORD.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17:

- ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- ¹⁷ Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10:
- 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3:

- ¹ Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him,
- ² That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
- ³ Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- 2 Samuel 12:23: But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52:

⁵¹ Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

⁵² In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

John 14:2-3:

² In My Father's House are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Revelation 7:9: After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

Revelation 14:1: And I looked, and, Io, a Lamb stood on the Mount Sion, and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's Name written in their foreheads.

Matthew 8:11: And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of Heaven.

Revelation 3:21: To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My Throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His Throne.

QUESTION: Will we "RECOGNIZE" our loved ones in Heaven?

ANSWER: Since we did recognize one another down here on the earth, do you think we will know less in Heaven than we do now? Listen to the Word of the Lord in:

1 Corinthians 13:12: For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

Luke 16:22-24:

- ²² And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;
- ²³ And in Hell he lift up his eyes, being in torment, and seeth ABRAHAM afar off, and LAZARUS in his bosom.
- ²⁴ And he cried and said, "Father Abrahanm, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

Luke 13:29: And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

Matthew 8:11: And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. (How would you know with whom you are sitting if you were not able to recognize them? These verses show that we do not lose our identity when we get to heaven.

Luke 9:28-31:

- ²⁸ And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, He [Jesus] took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.
- ²⁹And as He prayed, the fashion of His countenance was altered, and His raiment was white and glistering.
- ³⁰And, behold, there talked with Him two men, which were Moses and Elias:
- ³¹Who appeared in glory, and spake of His decease which He should accomplish at Jerusalem

Luke 9:33 And it came to pass, as they departed from Him, Peter said unto Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for Thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias:" not knowing what he said.

NOTE (Peter recognizes these two prophets, one who died over 1500 years before and the other was translated to Heaven about 700 years earlier.)

Matthew 27:50-53:

- ⁵⁰ Jesus, when He had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.
- ⁵¹And, behold, the Veil of the Temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;
- ⁵²And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
- ⁵³And came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

NOTE: (Why would they even appear to many, lest they knew whom to appear unto, and those to whom they came would recognize them? It is evident that we do not change our physical appearance when we pass from this life. These dear saints were resurrected from the dead, out of the dust and ashes, and have now glorified bodies. Please take note that only saints arose, not sinners. For in the first resurrection only believers will come from the graves. The dead in Christ shall rise first.)

1 Thessalonians 4:16: For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

1 Corinthians 15:23: But every man in his own order: Christ the Firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming.

Revelation 20:4-6:

- ⁴ And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.
- ⁵ But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the First Resurrection.
- ⁶ Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the First Resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

STEPHEN in:

Acts 7:55-56:

⁵⁵But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into Heaven, and saw the Glory of God, and Jesus standing on the Right Hand of God,

⁵⁶And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the Right Hand of God.

THE PROPHET SAMUEL passed away five to seven years before and is now in Paradise. In King Saul's desperate circumstances, he had such faith in the prophet Samuel that he wants to contact him for guidance as to what he should do. For God no longer answers him by prophet, by dream or by Vision or Urim & Thummin.

Exodus 28:30: And thou shalt put in the Breastplate of Judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.

Numbers 27:21: And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask counsel for him after the judgment of Urim before the LORD: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.

Deuteronomy 33:8-9:

- ⁸ And of Levi he said, Let thy Thummim and thy Urim be with thy Holy One, Whom thou didst prove at Massah, and with Whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;
- ⁹ Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept Thy Covenant.

Leviticus 8:8: And he put the breastplate upon him: also he put in the breastplate the Urim and the Thummim.

Ezra 2:63: And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with Thummim.

Nehemiah 7:65: And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim.

Finally in desperation he turns to a fortune teller, a witch of Endor, to help contact Samuel in the Spirit World. This was strictly forbidden by Almighty God of any of His people. The medium fortune teller was so shocked when Samuel appeared that she screamed and fled out of her own house past his presence.

1 Samuel 28:13-14:

And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou And the woman said unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth.



And he said unto her, What form is he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himself.

Samuel speaks to Saul saying "Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up?" Samuel then

begins to prophecy to Saul's sad fate because of his sins. Samuel has full knowledge of what he has done and also his future destiny.

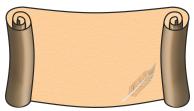
God permitted this experience for our benefit, also: First, to let us know that when people leave this life, they are not ignorant of what is going on down here on earth, as we will next see, but that the Gifts of the Spirit which we had are not lost when we die. It also reveals what effects a Spirit-filled believer has on those who are demon possessed as this witch was. This will make them more reluctant and fearful of having anything to do with the people of God. It also reveals that Samuel is very much alive and — in his spirit-body — can communicate with people on earth, by God's permission, for he still possesses his faculties of communication, and knows Saul as he did while on earth in his physical body.

Revelation 6:9-11:

⁹ And when He had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

¹⁰And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, Holy and True, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

¹¹And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.



8. The Lord Jesus after His Resurrection is recognized by The Apostles, and by Mary Magdalen.

John 20:16-17:

¹⁶ Jesus saith unto her, "Mary". She turned herself, and saith unto Him, "Rabboni;" which is to say, Master.

¹⁷Jesus saith unto her, "Touch Me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God."

By Stephen

Acts 7:55-56:

⁵⁵ But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the Glory of God, and Jesus standing on the Right Hand of God,

⁵⁶ And said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the Right Hand of God."

By the Apostle John

Revelation 1:13-20:

¹³ And in the midst of the seven candlesticks One like unto the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

¹⁴His head and His hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and His eyes were as a flame of fire;

¹⁵And His feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and His voice as the sound of many waters.

¹⁶And He had in His Right Hand seven stars: and out of His mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and His countenance was as the sun shineth in His strength.

¹⁷ And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. And He laid His Right Hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the First and the Last: ¹⁸I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. ¹⁹Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are.

¹⁹Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

²⁰The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in My Right Hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches

ANGELS are recognizable and they know one another by name as in:

Daniel 10:13:

But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

Daniel 12:1: And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the Book.

Luke 1:19: And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the Presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.

QUESTION: What Kind of CLOTHING or GARMENTS will the Saints be wearing?

ANSWER: Everyone will be dressed alike in White Attire; GOD ALMIGHTY,

THE LORD JESUS, our Redeemer and Saviour, the Angels, and also the saints of the Lord.

A. THE ALMIGHTY GOD

Daniel 7:9: I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

B. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Matthew 17:1-2:

¹ And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart

² And was transfigured before them: and His Face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light.

Revelations 1:13: And in the midst of the seven candlesticks One like unto the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

Revelation 3:4: Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

C. THE ANGELS

Matthew 28:2-3:

² And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the Angel of the Lord descended from Heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

³His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

Mark 16:5-6:

⁵ And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

⁶And he saith unto them, "Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: He is risen; He is not here: behold the place where they laid Him."

Acts 1:10-11:

¹⁰ And while they looked stedfastly toward Haven as He [Jesus] went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

¹¹ Which also said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into Heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into Heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into Heaven."

Revelation 15:6: And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

Revelation 19:14: And the armies which were in Heaven followed Him [Christ Jesus] upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

D. THE ATTIRE OF THE SAINTS

Revelation 3:4-5:

⁴ Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. ⁵He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the Book of Life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

Revelation 3:18: I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

Revelation 4:4: And round about the Throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Revelation 6:9: And when He had opened the fifth Seal, I saw under the Altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held: Revelation 7:9: After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the Throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

Revelation 19:7-8:

⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready. ⁸And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

QUESTION: DO THE SAINTS IN HEAVEN ENJOY EATING AS THEY DID HERE ON EARTH?

ANSWER: YES.

Luke 22:30: That ye may eat and drink at My Table in My Kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Matthew 26:29: But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's Kingdom.

Revelation 2:17: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

Revelation 7:16: They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

Revelation 19:9: And he saith unto me, "Write, 'Blessed are they which are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb." And he saith unto me, "These are the true sayings of God."

Revelation 22:2: In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the Tree of Life, which bare twelve manner of <u>fruits</u>, and yielded her <u>fruit</u> every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Matthew 22:4: Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.

Revelation 2:7: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

QUESTION: WHAT WILL BE THE SAINTS NEW HONORED POSITION IN HEAVEN?

1. We shall be equal to the angels.

Matthew 22:30: For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are <u>as the angels</u> of God in Heaven.

Luke 20:36: Neither can they die any more: for they are <u>equal unto the angels</u>; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

2. We will be GLORIFIED like unto JESUS Who was GLORIFIED.

John 17:22: And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them; that they may be one, even as We are One:

Romans 8:30: Moreover whom he did predestinate, them He also called: and whom He called, them He also justified: and whom He justified, them He also glorified.

2 Corinthians 4:17: For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

Colossians 3:4: When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.

2 Timothy 2:10: Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with Eternal Glory.

3. We will be KINGS and PRIESTS of GOD.

1 Peter 2:9: But ye are a chosen generation, a <u>royal priesthood</u>, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light;

Revelation 1:5-6:

⁵ And from Jesus Christ, Who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him Who loved us, and washed us from our sins in His Own Blood, ⁶ And hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be Glory and Dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:9-10:

⁹ And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the Book, and to open the Seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

¹⁰And hast made us unto our God <u>kings</u> and <u>priests</u>: and we shall reign on the earth.

Exodus 19:5-6:

- ⁵ Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is Mine:
- ⁶ And ye shall be unto Me a <u>kingdom of priests</u>, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel

Revelation 20:4: And I saw Thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Revelation 20:6: Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the First Resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they

shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall <u>reign</u> with Him a thousand years.

4. We shall take on a **CHRISTLIKENESS** in our appearance.

Psalms 17:15: As for me, I will behold Thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness

Philippians 3:21: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His Glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.

1 John 3:2: Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is.

Revelation 19:10: And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

Revelation 22:9: Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this Book: worship God.

WE shall have CHRIST'S PRECIOUS NAME inscribed on our foreheads.

Revelation 3:12: Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the Name of my God, and the name of the city of My God, which is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of Heaven from My God: and I will write upon him My new Name.

Revelation 22:4: And they shall see His face; and His ame shall be in their <u>foreheads</u>.

QUESTION: WHAT WILL BE OUR HEAVENLY POSSESSIONS?

ANSWER:

1. Matthew 6:20: But lay up for yourselves <u>treasures in Heaven</u>, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

2. Matthew 5:11-12:

¹¹ Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake.

¹² Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your <u>reward in Heaven:</u> for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

- 3. Matthew 19:21: Jesus said unto him, "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have <u>treasure</u> in Heaven: and come and follow Me."
- 4. Matthew 25:34: Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

5. 1 Peter 1:3-4:

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

⁴ To an <u>inheritance incorruptible</u>, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in Heaven for you.

- 6. Hebrews 10:34: For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in Heaven a better and an <u>enduring substance</u>.
- 7. 1 Corinthians 3:8: Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own <u>reward</u> according to his own labour.
- 8. 1 Corinthians 3:12-15:

¹² Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

¹³ Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

¹⁴ If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a <u>reward</u>.

¹⁵ If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

9. REWARDS CAN BE FORFEITED OR LOST.

Matthew 13:12: For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

Ezekiel 18:24: But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

Colossians 2:18: Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

2 John 1:8: Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

Revelation 3:1: And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.

Revelation 3:11: Behold, I come quickly: hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown

10. FIVE SPECIAL CROWNS AWAIT THOSE WHO QUALIFY

CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

2 Timothy 4:8: Henceforth there is laid up for me a Crown of Righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.

CROWN OF LIFE

James 1:12: Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the Crown of Life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.



Revelation 2:10: Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a Crown of Life.

CROWN OF GLORY

1 Peter 5:1-4:

- ¹ The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
- ² Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind:
- ³ Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.
- ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

CROWN OF REJOICING — SOUL WINNERS CROWN

Philippians 4:1: Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved.

1 Thessalonians 2:19: For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?

INCORRUPTIBLE CROWN

Victors crown for those who kept their bodies in subjection and under control from fleshly lusts.

Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things.

2 Corinthians 7:1: Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Romans 13:14: But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Colossians 3:5: Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

1 Peter 2:11: Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

1 Corinthians 9:25-27:

- ²⁵ And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.
- ²⁶ I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:
- ²⁷ But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

QUESTION: Who will be the "QUALIFIED" PEOPLE to be in Heaven?

ANSWER: Those who have been redeemed by THE BLOOD of the LAMB [Jesus], made alive spiritually, been BORN AGAIN of THE SPIRIT, and are living a clean and holy and godly life.

John 3:5: Jesus answered, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God."

John 5:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

John 10:1: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber."

2 Corinthians 5:17: Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Psalms 15:1-5:

¹Lord, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in Thy holy hill?

²He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

³He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

⁴In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but He honoureth them that fear the LORD. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

⁵He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

Psalms 24:3-4:

³ Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in His holy place?

⁴ He who hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

Matthew 5:8: Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Matthew 7:13-14:

- ¹³ Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
- ¹⁴ Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

QUESTION: Who will NOT be in Heaven?

ANSWER:

Mark 7:21-23:

²¹For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

²³ All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10:

⁹ Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the Kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, ¹⁰ Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the Kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21:

- ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
- ²⁰ Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
- ²¹ Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

Revelation 20:12: And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the Books were opened: and another Book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the Books, according to their work.

Revelation 20:15: And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the Lake of Fire.

Revelation 21:27: And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

CONCLUSION:

If some people ever get to Heaven, the way they are facing, they will have to do a lot of running backward. If you, or you, or you, or I want to have any real ASSURANCE of making HEAVEN our eternal home, it would be in our best interest to take time to study the Bible Road Map on how to get there safely and surely.

Have you ever heard of or read the book entitled 'DELIGHT' written by J.B.Priestly? He said that he wasn't afraid of death or the JUDGMENT DAY, because he knew although he was not good enough for Heaven, he was too good to go to HELL. He reasoned that the LORD would likely send Hitler and Joe Stalin to Hell and get what they deserved and be with the devil. But the Lord, being a JUST GOD of all the earth, will do right and make an in-between place for him and many others just like him. This, however, is wishful thinking and mere speculation because he did not take the time to check the Heavenly Road Map.

Who decides those who are good enough for Heaven and bad enough for Hell? Jesus said fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear HIM which is able to destroy both soul and body in Hell.

Matthew 10:28: And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Jesus further said:

John 12:46 - 48:

⁴⁶ "I AM come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on ME should not abide in darkness,

⁴⁷ And if any man hear MY WORDS, and BELIEVE NOT, I JUDGE HIM NOT: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.
⁴⁸ He that rejecteth ME, and receiveth not MY WORDS, hath One Who judgeth him the WORD that I have spoken, the SAME SHALL JUDGE HIM IN THE LAST DAY."

SO WHAT DOES THE WORD SAY?

Revelation 20:12: And I saw the dead small and great stand before God and the Books were opened: and another Book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the Books, according to their works.

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So, the false promise of "NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR HEAVEN NOR BAD ENOUGH FOR HELL" will not hold up or stand against "THUS SAITH THE LORD". Jesus came into the world to make a way whereby we could be saved from our sins. He came to die for our sin and give HIS LIFE A RANSOM TO REDEEM us from all iniquity. His precious Blood is given gladly and willingly to pay for our soul's salvation. He came to purchase us by His precious Blood.

Acts 20:28: Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with His Own Blood.

1 Peter 1:18-19:

- ¹⁸ Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;
- ¹⁹ But with the precious Blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

QUESTION: Is Jesus your only Saviour? He wants to be, because He loves you and wants you to make Heaven your eternal HOME.

ANSWER: Here are the <u>FIVE SIMPLE STEPS</u> to become a **CHILD OF GOD**, a born-again believer, and have your name written in the LAMB'S BOOK OF Life.

If there would have been any other way to be saved then the way GOD HAS PROVIDED, God would have let us all know it.

John 14:6: Jesus saith unto him, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me."

Acts 4:12: Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

REPENT

Acts 17:30-31:

³⁰ And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

³¹ Because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man Whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead.

Mark 1:15: And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel.

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

1. Repent

- 1 Corinthians 15:3-4:
- ³ For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;
- ⁴ And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

Acts 20:21: Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Believe

Acts 16:31: And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

John 3:16: For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Acts 10:43:3: To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His Name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

Acts 13:39: And by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the Law of Moses.

Ephesians 2:8-9:

- 8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the Gift of God:
- ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast.

3. CALL

Acts 2:21: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

Romans 10:13: For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

4. Receive

John 1:12: But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name:

Colossians 2:6: As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him:

5. CONFESS

Romans 10:9: That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Romans 10:10: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

This is the Strait Gate we are to enter through in order to make Heaven our eternal HOME. Jesus said:

Matthew 7:13-14:

¹³ Enter ye in at the STRAIT GATE: for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to DESTRUCTION, and many there be that go in thereat.

¹⁴ Because STRAIT is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth UNTO LIFE.

Matthew 8:11: And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of Heaven.

Luke 13:29: And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the Kingdom of God.

This is a glorious promise, and you are most welcome to join us in that all inclusive word "MANY". The second word is **SHALL** . . . I Love God's "SHALLs". Remember that SHALL MEANS **"SHALL"**. There is no room for maybe's, or perhaps, hope-so, guess so, for "SHALL" SPEAKS OF SOMETHING SURE AND CERTAIN.

Some of you may feel that you are the worst of sinners and are not worthy to come to Jesus for Salvation. What you need to know is this: that JESUS saved the CHIEF OF SINNERS, so he can easily save you.

1 Timothy 1:15: This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all

acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

The Lord said:

Isaiah 1:18: Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow. Though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

What does all that mean? You ladies know that red and scarlet are fast colors. When once those colors are dyed into cloth, they refuse to come out and defy all bleaches and detergents. But the PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS can cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

It further means this: Though your life has been so stained with sinning until you feel there is nothing available to make you clean and white on the inside, yet, JESUS PRECIOUS BLOOD can make the vilest sinner clean. The door of mercy is still open. Will you come and enter in by the DOOR? That DOOR IS JESUS. He said: "I am the DOOR, by ME if any man enter in, HE SHALL Be Saved."

John 10:10: The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

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