

The background of the image is a dramatic landscape. In the foreground, there are large, rugged rock formations. A path or a clearing leads towards a large, circular opening in a rock wall. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a sky with soft, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is contemplative and spiritual.

**JESUS SAVES**

WHY DO WE  
KNOW SO LITTLE  
ABOUT HEAVEN?

LIFE AFTER  
DEATH,  
WHAT'S NEXT?

## **AFTER DEATH, WHAT'S NEXT?**

Heaven is a complex subject that not many understand. Most pastors will only lightly touch on this subject when preaching sermons. Why is that? Why do we not have all the details that Scripture offers us? Are we not concerned with our eternal salvation enough to know the details? Do you know where you are going after you die? Since departing earth, what are my loved ones doing? Will I see them again? The questions keep going and going; we have more questions than answers. Yet this is the biggest and most profound matter in our lives and should matter the most. Yet we know so little about our eternity. We go through the Bible for countless hours, looking for a Scripture to memorize to help us in our day-to-day lives. Yet we know so little about heaven. Maybe the Bible does not tell us much information; however, as we read on, I do not believe that is the case.

Would you believe me if I told you that nowhere in the Bible does it say we are going to a place called Heaven? It is not a designation. To understand, we must look at Scripture as "One Unified Narrative," revealing God's purpose, humanity's role, and what truly happens after death.

Many believers grow up hearing Scripture taught as a verse to memorize, often without understanding the unified story being told. This book invites the reader to step back and see the Bible not as isolated Bible verses, but rather to see the Bible as a whole, with patterns that make up themes based on all the biblical stories within the books of the Bible. It is the themes and patterns that we should be learning from, not the Bible verses.

People too often are living life by a Bible verse. Does it start with a favorite Bible verse? Either way, I am guessing Jesus cares more about you knowing His two most important commands to do in our daily lives.

To fully understand where we are going after death, we must first break down Scripture by asking the right questions.

Was the Bible originally written in chapters and verses? No. Did the biblical authors write this way for our benefit?" No.

Yet many believers interact with Scripture in a broken down format. Verses are useful for reference, they were never intended to stand alone.

Those divisions were added later for convenience, not interpretation. Just as no one can understand an entire movie by watching a ten-minute clip, no one can fully understand Scripture by reading isolated passages.

Again, the Bible tells one unified story—from Genesis to Revelation—about God’s desire to dwell with humanity and humanity’s role in His creation.

When Scripture is read as a whole, a powerful theme emerges: **The overlap of Heaven and Earth and God’s plan to restore that union.**

## **LANGUAGE MATTERS**

When reading the Bible, it can sometimes be difficult to understand. At times, it may feel as though one is reading a different language, even though the text is in English. This difficulty stems from the fact that the Bible was translated into English. For this reason, English definitions alone cannot always be used to define words found in Scripture.

The English words used are often not aligned with today’s definitions, but instead serve as representations of the original text. It is within those original languages that the deeper and more accurate definitions of Scripture reside.

Until we unlock the true definitions, we will not understand the meaning behind the Bible verses.

In ancient times, Scripture was written in Hebrew (Old Testament). In later times, it was written in Greek (New Testament). As stated, modern English definitions cannot always capture ancient biblical meanings. To understand Scripture accurately, words must be understood as the original audience of Jesus' time understood them, not our traditional meanings.

For clarity, this study references the New American Standard Bible (NASB). Let's break this down.

What is the definition of Heaven? Heaven in Hebrew is translated as "heaven," which is *shamayim* (שָׁמַיִם). It is a plural noun meaning heights or elevations, frequently referring to the sky or the realm where God rules.

This leads to an unexpected question. Where is our Heaven? Does the Bible actually say that, as believers, we are going to Heaven?

In Genesis, our Father created three Heavens. Which one do you plan on attending? Did you know there were three heavens created? If not, and you attend church frequently, you should ask why.

Remember, there is no place in Scripture that explicitly states believers “Go To Heaven” as a final destination. Yet we often find ourselves looking upward to the sky when referencing our Heaven.

## **GOD’S SPACE & HUMANITY’S LOSS**

Isaiah 66:1 declares “Heaven is My throne and the earth is the footstool for My feet. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest?”

Heaven is not presented as humanity’s final destination, but as **God’s realm, His throne.**

*Isaiah records God’s words clearly. Heaven represents God’s authority and rule. Earth is humanity’s assigned domain. From the beginning, these two realms were designed to overlap.*

*In Genesis, humanity lived in the Garden of Eden with full access to God’s presence. Heaven and Earth overlapped. God and humans shared the same space. This partnership was humanity’s original calling.*

Genesis 1 and 2 describe a world where God and humanity shared the same space.

The Garden of Eden was not merely a place of beauty, it was sacred space. God walked with humanity.

*This must be understood that Heaven and Earth overlapped.*

Humanity was created to partner with God, extending His wisdom, justice, and care throughout creation.

That partnership was broken through rebellion, more than just one time through out history. Humanity lost access to God's space, not because God withdrew His love, but because separation entered the world.

Will we remain separated from our father?

In Genesis 28:12, Jacob sees a ladder reaching from earth to heaven, with angels ascending and descending.

This vision reveals our Father's ongoing desire to reconnect Heaven and Earth.

*In doing so, Scripture supports a temple that is accessible, allowing us to experience a glimpse of Heaven on Earth with one another. Right here and right now.*

## THE TEMPLE REIMAGINED

Jesus did not come to repair the Temple system. He came to replace it.

Through His death and resurrection, Jesus became the true Temple.

*God's presence was no longer confined to a structure, it now dwells within believers through the Holy Spirit.*

Believers are now living temples, called to reflect God's wisdom and extend His kingdom into the world. This wisdom is not meant to be stored away. It is meant to be lived out and shared.

The mission does not begin and end on Sunday. It starts in the facility of the church and continues in the streets where the real church exists, Monday through Saturday. It is lived out daily, in ordinary life.

To not understand or to ignore temple imagery is the moment you can lose your salvation, allowing the separation to continue that started in the garden, and to this day, still affects our lives.



At the beginning of time, there was no separation. We dwelled with our Father within one space. At this point, we should ask how we close the separation and return to such a magnificent and spiritual space.

Jesus, that's how. And just as before, it requires a partnership for us to fulfill. Within this partnership, we are to prepare the way for Jesus' return by being faithful, shining our light so brightly with works of faith for others to witness, and to accept Jesus as their Savior before He arrives. This is what we are actually commanded to do, yet so few of us fulfill this commitment.

Jesus is the new creation sent to transform and overlap Heaven with Earth, returning God's space once again.

By walking this way in life, we are able to experience our partnership being restored within a growing community that is faithful to our Father's desires. By doing so, you experience heaven on earth immediately.

Where do I begin? That sounds great, and I want to start immediately. The secret is this: It all simply starts and ends with love.

## **ALL THIS TALK ABOUT EDEN, WHY?**

Jesus' words to the thief on the cross offers a bit of clarity.

Luke 23:43 43 And He said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

The Greek word for Paradise is paradeisos means an enclosed garden or walled park. This word echoes the Garden of Eden. In the Old Testament, death meant burial, with life continuing through one's name and legacy. Jesus transformed that understanding. Life now continues through Him.

Paul's primary mission was to spread the Gospel and to establish churches. As he shared the Gospel, he also bore witness through his testimony. Paul's testimony was powerfully spiritual, moving, and inspiring. One may wonder whether Paul would rather be on earth doing our Father's work or in Heaven.

Philippians 1:23 But I am hard-pressed from both directions, "Having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better.

The next 3 Scriptures support that "Jesus will be with us when we depart and move on?"

2 Corinthians 1:5 For just as the sufferings of Christ are [a]ours in abundance, so also our comfort is abundant through Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:6-8 6 Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord, 7 for we walk by faith, not by [a]sight, 8 but we are of good courage and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

Knowing that Jesus will be there to greet us in Heaven is awesome! Personally I find it to be scary traveling to an unknown place by myself.

Yet we still do not know where our Heaven is?

Revelation 6:9-10 9 When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been killed because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained; 10 and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O [a]Lord, holy and true, [b]will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who live on the earth?"

At this point it is very clear that we will be with Jesus once we die.

Let us now assume that we have departed from Earth and that our names are written in the Book of Life. We have now passed our second judgment.

We are now ready to enter Heaven into our spiritual GPS.

Philippians 3:20 For our [a]citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

*Hold up we must wait for our citizenship until Jesus redeems and creates a new Heaven and a new Earth, completing the overlap and restoring the partnership that we once had in Eden.*

However, the most remarkable part of this is that Scripture supports our ability to experience Heaven on Earth, right here and now.

This comes naturally when we commit faithfully, allowing our works of faith to fulfill the great commandment and the great commission, the two most important commands that Jesus tells us to follow.

Imagine that, if we could only listen to Jesus we could experience heaven on earth!

Let's look at how Paul was caught up to Heaven. As your reading you may ask yourself, why is this not our Heaven?

2 Corinthians 12:2-4 2 I know a man in Christ, who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a man was caught up to the third heaven. 3 And I know how such a man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, God knows— 4 was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which a man is not permitted to speak.

What Paul described was a mysterious experience of being caught up to the "Third Heaven" and into Paradise. That means even our Father's space has a garden!

This is not a destination for believers, but only for the chosen to experience this rare and sovereign act of God.

If we were to look up the Greek meaning of caught up, basically we would find it means he was "Raptured."

Remember, this is our Father's dwelling place, it is His "man cave." We will not be residing there permanently; that is not our Heaven.

Thus far, Scripture makes it clear that most believers go to Paradise, awaiting the resurrection until Jesus' return.

This may be understood as our garden of Heaven, so to speak. This naturally raises questions: in which direction is it, and where is it located? One must admit that waiting until Jesus' return may seem like a long time, especially considering that it has been over 2,000 years since Jesus' ascension.

It is therefore entirely natural to desire greater clarity in order to ease our minds. Overall, it is important to understand what we will be doing in Paradise while we await Jesus' return. We also often wonder what our loved ones, who have departed from Earth, are doing now.

I believe Scripture provides answers to these questions as well.

## **SNEAK PEAK INTO THE AFTER LIFE**

Samuel who was called up from within the depths of earth. What did he experience?

1 Samuel 28:12-15 12 When the woman saw Samuel, she cried out with a loud voice; and the woman spoke to Saul, saying, "Why have you deceived me? For you are Saul!" 13 But the king said to her, "Do not be afraid; but what do you see?" And the woman said to Saul, "I see a [a]divine being coming up from the earth." 14 He said to her, "[b]How does he appear?" And she said, "An old man is coming up, and he is wrapped in a robe." Then Saul knew that it was Samuel, and he bowed with his face to the ground and paid [c]homage. 15 And Samuel said to Saul, "Why have you disturbed me by bringing me up?"

As you can clearly see, he was raised from the earth and looked like a "divine being, a ghost" until he was close. One the side note I find it very interesting that the bible confirms that their are actual ghosts.

*This proves He knew them and she knew Samuel. This would show memory and human recognition after death is possible.*

This is not an invite to contact others that have moved on. Scripture is very clear for us to stay away from using mediums to talk to spirits. Nor consult astrology for advice or knowledge and ignore daily horoscopes.

## The reality is, Hell is real and hot!

Luke 16:22-26 22 Now it happened that the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to [a]Abraham's arms; and the rich man also died and was buried. 23 And in Hades he raised his eyes, being in torment, and \*saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his [b]arms. 24 And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me and send Lazarus, so that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue, for I am in agony in this flame.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your life you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus bad things; but now he is being comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 And [c]besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set, so that those who want to go over from here to you will not be able, nor will any people cross over from there to us.

The rich man recognizes Lazarus. Lazarus is also identified by name. Abraham is also recognized and addressed. As you can clearly see, there's full consciousness after death. Not to forget hell it's a flame of agony.

Samuel and Lazarus shows us we can see that others are recognizable and can somewhat communicate with one another at minimum during some situations.



As you can tell Samuel was not happy to be awoken, perhaps nobody is meant to be disrupted until their resurrection. No matter how much we love them and we wish to speak to them. Our Father has deemed it otherwise.

Scripture also reveals that we retain identity after death in the New Testament.

Matthew 17:1–3 Six days later, Jesus \*took with Him Peter and [a]James, and his brother John, and \*led them up on a high mountain by themselves.<sup>2</sup> And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light. 3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him.

Now Moses and Elijah were dead for centuries yet they were recognizable and they retained personal identity.

The best part is the disciples knew who they were, even without introductions. This again shows identity is preserved after death.

Next is a famous scripture that you may know which gives us more insight into a resurrected body.

Scripture clearly shows we are recognizable.

Luke 24:39 See My hands and My feet, that [a]it is I Myself; touch Me and see, because a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you plainly see that I have."

Our Father, Jesus was soon recognizable and Resurrection did not erase His identity.

Let's break this down. It seems Jesus was in the healing process after resurrection. I feel scripture supports a rapid healing process verse an instant transformation.

Philippians 3:21 who will transform the body of our lowly condition into conformity with [a]His glorious body, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

We as believers are promised bodies like His. What about the sick, crippled, and weak? Are we restored back to perfect health? Yes

Scripture gives us an interesting explanation on how Jesus experienced this!

Mark 16:12 Now after that, He appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking along on their way to the country.

John 20:14-16 When she had said this, she turned around and \*saw Jesus standing there, and yet she did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus \*said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Thinking that He was the gardener, she \*said to Him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you put Him, and I will take Him away." 16 Jesus \*said to her, "Mary!" She turned and \*said to Him in [a]Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means, Teacher).

Now as scripture so sadly describes. Jesus' appearance was beyond that of a man. Can you imagine, that happening to your child?

Isaiah 52:14 Just as many were appalled at you, My people, **So His appearance was marred beyond that of a man, And His form beyond the sons of mankind.**

**At first, Jesus was not immediately recognizable. I believe this was because he had been beaten, as Scripture indicates. The healing process occurred rapidly rather than instantly, and Jesus was eventually seen by many—indeed, by hundreds.**

Now that we are healed, we are ready for Reunion, Not Isolation.

Hebrews 12:22–23 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of [a]angels, 23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,

Let's look at the key words which are. "Assembly" implies a community, and "Church" implies a shared fellowship for us to hang out with others that are also awaiting resurrection.

### Paul Explicitly Says "We Will Be Reunited"

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, **about those who [a]are asleep**, so that you will not grieve as indeed the rest of mankind do, who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose from the dead, so also God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep [b]through Jesus. 15 For we say this to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive [c]and remain until the coming of the Lord will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a [d]shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who remain, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore, [e]comfort one another with these words.

*This is one of the strongest passages supporting reunion with loved ones. Just imagine this wonderful news "Together with them" indicates reunion.*

Paul would use this passage to comfort grieving believers. Comfort only makes sense if relationships continue.

*Now notice it said, we will be asleep with Jesus.*

This will be a spiritual sleep by the divine. Like the one Adam experienced, when having his rib removed. Not a sleep as we understand it here on Earth, which is a required action by man to live.

*Paul expects to recognize and rejoice with people he knows.*

1 Thessalonians 2:19–20 For who is our hope, or joy or crown of pride, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His [a]coming? Or is it not indeed you? 20 For you are our glory and joy.

*Relationships clearly continue in Christ's presence.*

This is why it's vital for us to spread the gospel and to show others how to get past the narrow gate day by day fulfilling the great commitment, and great commission. **With the leading factor being love, everything else will follow.**

## Jesus Taught That Relationships Continue

Matthew 8:11 And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and [a]recline at the table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven;

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob are known individuals. Fellowship implies that we will be able to again recognize but also interact with one another. Notice that Abraham is mentioned being with his children.

*Which brings up a great point. Do we get to see our children again?*

*David Expected to Be Reunited with His Child.  
Therefore, so should we.*

2 Samuel 12:22–23 And he said, “While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, ‘Who knows, the Lord may be gracious to me, and the child may live.’ 23 But now he has died; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I am going to him, but he will not return to me.”

*Pay close attention if you have children. David does not say the child ceases to exist. This is a comforting statement that we will be reunited in heaven with our children. He expresses confidence of reunion which implies continued personal relationship after death with our children.*

## We Will Know More, Not Less.

1 Corinthians 13:12 For now we see in a mirror [a]dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I will know fully, just as I also have been fully known.

This is suggesting that Knowledge increases, not decreases. Forgetting loved ones would contradict this. Therefore rest assured loved ones are not forgotten. That is a lot of clarification for what to expect after death.

### RECAP:

1. Now we know there's three heavens
2. Paul experienced going to the third heaven
3. Samuel came out to earth
4. Jesus told a gentile that he's going to Paradise

At this point I would like to know exactly where I am going after this life? I know there is more than what others tell us.

We know forsure that unless God allows us, we are not going to be in the 3rd Heaven at all. We must be chosen.

1 Timothy 6:15-16 15 which He will [a]bring about at the proper time—He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of [b]kings and Lord of [c]lords, 16 who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom [d]no one has seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

Here are a couple situations that our Father allowed into the Third Heaven.

Hebrews 11:5 By faith Enoch was taken up so that he would not see death; and he was not found because God took him up; for before he was taken up, he was attested to have been pleasing to God.

2 Kings 2:11 And as they were walking along and talking, behold, a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and they separated the two of them. Then Elijah went up by a [a]whirlwind to heaven.

What we can count on is we are most likely not going to the 3rd heaven. Unless we are raptured by our Father like Enoch and Elijah.

Nor are we being returned to the earth like Samuel and others from the time of the Old Testament.



Now we know Heaven overlapped with Earth in the first chapter of the Bible in the garden of Eden. This must be the spiritual key to unlock this biblical mystery.

Everything we need to know about "Our Heaven" is right there in scripture. Reread Genesis Chapters 1 and 2.

*I assume after death this will be a similar story to our new creation. Where our father's Kingdom comes again, this time to overlap earth completely. We should be okay with moving on, death should now not bother us! Right? Wrong!*

When Jesus returns, Heaven and Earth will fully overlap once more. The partnership that was lost in Eden will be fully restored. The Bible began in a garden and ends with a renewed creation.

Gardens and humans depend on each other for life. It is as simple as understanding the air that fills our lungs giving us life. We need oxygen just as gardens need carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide would be deadly to us; however, plants are able to produce oxygen from the carbon dioxide we breathe out.

It is a partnership of life. Heaven is not humanity escaping Earth, it is God restoring a new Earth. The garden will return. And this time, it will last forever.

I believe we have found that scripture supports our Families in Christ being reunited in our Father's restored creation.

Revelation 21:1-8 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among the people, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His [a]people, and God Himself will be among them[b], 4 and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away." 5 And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He \*said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." 6 Then He said to me, "[c]It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give water to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life, without cost. 7 The one who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son. 8 But for the cowardly, and [d]unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and sexually immoral persons, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and [e]brimstone, which is the second death."

Just remember, this is not an inheritance. Our works of faith will be judged at the narrow gate. Believing in Jesus as our savior is only the first step within our growing faith.

Knowing all this death is still sad, why? Even Jesus was sad by the death of his best friend, and He planned on bringing him back to life.

John 11:34-35 34 and He said, "Where have you laid him?" They \*said to Him, "Lord, come and see."35 Jesus wept.

That is the most amazing scripture I have read. Jesus loves us so much he still weeps after we pass away. Already knowing He's going to resurrect us!

## **LIVING THE STORY NOW**

Believers should not waiting idly. Always keep in mind that we are meant to fight a spiritual warfare with the Armor Of God as our protection. There is one part of the armor that doesn't protect us. Do you know what body part tis unprotected? It's our **"Back"**. There is no back plate to protect us.

We are not meant to run, we are meant to spiritually fight! We are now participants in God's restoration project. Through the dwelling of the Holy Spirit, we act as living WIFI temples, extending God's wisdom, love, and justice into the world.

Your next question should no longer be "Where is Heaven?" It should be "How am I living?" So I can actually get there!

*Jesus answered that question clearly in His teachings, especially in the "**Sermon on the Mount**", which shows how Heaven is meant to break into Earth through our lives today. The story is still unfolding. And as believers, we are part of it.*

## **KIDS ARE PROGRAMMED FOR HEAVEN**

It is vital indeed and life defining that our children guide us to Heaven.

They understand Jesus' love, it is naturally built into them. They are a gift to us, not our possession. Why are they a gift? The reason is simple: They unlock the narrow gate naturally. They do not face a Second Judgment; they go directly to Heaven.

How misguided we have been. We often believe it is our duty to teach children how to enter Heaven. No, our responsibility is to reinforce our Father's desires. It is our duty not to let children be shaped by the world, but to allow them to grow spiritually, remaining faithful to our Father.

This should begin to sound familiar. A child loves unconditionally, regardless of what is done to them, who their family members are, what they own or how much money they have, even after being abandoned, they love who cares for them, or even when pain is tragically inflicted upon them.

They love beyond knowledge and beyond wounded flesh. That reflects Jesus more than any adult I have ever known, especially myself.

Children should not learn love through our flawed interpretations, but through the love of Jesus.

When we attempt to teach children love improperly, we risk corrupting it.

Their love is already pure—it is natural to them. All kids need is to wear their suit of armor and to fight spiritual warfare with "Natural Love" throughout their lifetime.

*I believe scripture supports this very fact!*

Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these

Mathew 18:3-4 And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. 4 Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

When children depend on us, they lean on us for guidance. When we are gone and have moved on from this world, what happens then?

Too often, they turn to outside influences such as drugs and destructive behavior to replace the leader they once had.

Once we reinforce our children's faith and belief in Jesus by applying the methods outlined in Scripture and commanded by Christ, they will learn to see, hear, and be guided by our Heavenly Father and by the Spirit who naturally dwells within them.

Traditional approaches often emphasize intellectual knowledge over spiritual understanding. However, we do not communicate with our Heavenly Father on an intellectual level; we communicate spiritually.

When our children begin to recognize and respond to the voice of our Heavenly Father—like Samuel, who was promised and dedicated to Him before his birth—they will accomplish remarkable things before our eyes. We will find ourselves asking, "How did you learn this?" More importantly, we will begin to understand the message our children are naturally preaching and teaching to us.

I truly believe they possess knowledge and attributes bestowed by the Holy Spirit, guiding us in a direction greater than that of any pastor walking the earth today.

These attributes may be as small as a mustard seed and are easily overlooked.

We must nurture and cultivate these seeds so that they may grow strong enough to move mountains.

# **SEVEN LIFELONG SKILLS OUR KIDS WILL LEARN BY LEADING US!**

When children are allowed to grow spiritually rather than being reshaped by the world, the effects on their lives will be profound:

## **1. Strong Identity and Purpose**

Children develop a clear sense of who they are in Christ, reducing confusion, insecurity, and the need for worldly validation. There validating that Jesus is real. Because they know him vs being told He lives.

## **2. Emotional Resilience**

Because their foundation is spiritual rather than material or social, they are better equipped to endure loss, rejection, and hardship without turning to life altering destructive behaviors losing their salvation. You will never see your child again. Is their insurance to protect against this? Yes your reading it!

## **3. Natural Leadership and Discernment**

Children guided by the Spirit learn to recognize truth, resist deception, and lead others through humility rather than control. They will naturally lay treasures up in Heaven. Overtime kids as a whole will start "Jesus Revolutions."

## **4. Freedom from Fear and Shame**

Understanding unconditional love early in life frees them from the shame-based thinking that often dominates adulthood.

## **5. Lifelong Faith Stability**

Rather than abandoning faith when parental guidance ends, they remain anchored to the voice of the Heavenly Father, who continues to guide them throughout life. Our children will return to us one day for eternity.

Each morning you wake up and see your child, what comes first to mind, their daily needs or their eternal salvation? If worldly pursuits and duties surpass spiritual action, such as sharing the Gospel, then the answer is clear. This is why our children should lead us.

Jesus is not impressed by worldly accomplishments or knowledge; He cares only about love and obedience to the two greatest commandments, which secure salvation for all. Love first and the rest will follow.

## **6. Greater Capacity for Love and Service**

Their natural love matures into intentional compassion, allowing them to serve others without judgment, pride, or expectation of reward.

## **7. Spiritual Confidence**

Children raised this way do not depend solely on human authority; they actually talk with our Father trusting His guidance, enabling them to walk confidently even when standing alone. The Adult Formed by a Childlike Faith. Exactly what Jesus tells us to do!

Whats best for our child? Harvard or Yale? If you answered that then you just dont get it. Your most likely going to hell and sadly leading your child down that path!



## **ADULT'S GOING TO HEAVEN TAKING FUTURE GENERATIONS WITH THEM!**

They would not be driven by insecurity, comparison, or the need for approval. Their identity would be firmly anchored in our Father not in achievements, failures, or possessions. They would exhibit strong emotional and spiritual stability; while experiencing grief and disappointment, they would remain resilient, processing hardship through patience, prayer, and discernment rather than destructive behaviors. Their strength would be quiet yet enduring, with an apostle mind set.

They would lead naturally without seeking authority. Others would trust them because of their humility, consistency, and compassion. Their leadership would be rooted in service and example, not control or fear. Fear and shame would hold little power over them, as early experiences of unconditional love would free them from wounds that often distort adult behavior. They would accept responsibility without being paralyzed by guilt and extend the same grace to others.

Their faith would be steady and enduring, unshaken they would rely on spiritual discernment rather than external validation or worldly desires that create "Spiritual Adultery."

After this study, we decided to establish a children's ministry focused on developing spiritual maturity through the teachings of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount and His parables.

# JESUS SAVES

If one could return to the time when Jesus walked the earth, what practical, non-scriptural knowledge might be shared to help humanity?

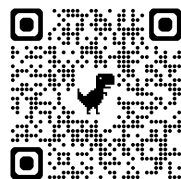
For example, teaching people to boil water for sterilization—since fire was already available—could have reduced disease caused by bacteria and parasites. At the time, wine was often mixed with water to make it safer to drink, which may explain Scriptural warnings against drunkenness, as excessive wine was sometimes used for this purpose.

This raises an important question: Why did Jesus not teach something as simple as boiling water to improve daily life? What could seem more essential than safe drinking water? The answer lies in the priorities set by our Heavenly Father. Jesus gave us two central commands, the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. His mission shows that earthly concerns, though important, are secondary to spiritual ones, and that His purpose was fully aligned with the will of the Father. We should rely on our father and pray for clean water.

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