

WHAT ABOUT HEAVEN?

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Even though we are spiritualists, we do not give enough time. To learn what the life is ahead of us in our future after death. This life should be investigated. By our learning about our future, we are sure to start a new life for ourselves and in the right way. We have been able to learn of it from our teachers and mediums. Mediums have given us many messages in the past concerning our future. Each and everyone should bear our attention. These were all given for our own good. There are many times that we do not take this as being very important, for we have so many other things along life's way on our minds. At the present time. We do not give that what we hope is far off much consideration. We remember that we have all the treasure here on Earth needed to make our way forward, and the reward after death. We must be sure to put something away for our future. We must remember those who are living like creatures who do not consider the world or its future. We know we have more than one world in our lives and in our future.

Jesus warned his disciples against the perils of the danger of investing their talents and treasure in values that were perishable. We find this in Matthew Chapter 6 verses 19 through 21. Which reads lay not up for yourselves. Treasures appan this earth. Where moffen rust doth corrupt. And where thieves breakthrough and steal. It is affirmed that where your treasures are, your heart will be there also. Let's get some treasure to invest in our future. We can put them away and they will be there when we are ready to use them. There was no one, but who needs a treasure of this kind to their future? It is possible that our refusal to think about the life beyond is due to the fact that we have invested our everything in this present life. We may think that there is not enough. To use Elsewhere.

Before Jesus came to this Earth, I hardly think that man gave much thought of his future after death. Jesus came along and brought to the minds of men the good news of the Gospel, concerning there was a life beyond. This was a very strange ordeal to place in front of a man who. Had so many other ideas which they had always gone along with the thought of. Jesus never said much about heaven. There being many who think he should

have said much more in this way, he could have enticed man to have more desire in reaching what many call heaven. As a place, we see heaven only as a condition, and this condition is made by ourselves. There was much in the New Testament that is able to bring comfort to those who wish to read and to study the statements that are there. First, you must believe in Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Heaven is described in John Chapter 14, verse one. Believe in God believe in me also. We find that the Bible does not describe the geography of heaven. We also find that there is no address for heaven. However, our Lord describes it as a place. Due to the fact that heaven is A much higher plane than ours here on Earth. I do not think that our guides are able to tell us much about it. It has been told to us you can go from a higher plane to the lower, but you cannot go from the lower plane. They must come to us. This being the natural law. God must have planned it this way. In this way, man must help himself. This is the natural law.

We are told that heaven is a prepared place. It is a place that we do not get to see or be in unless we have put things aside and have earned the right to call our own. Jesus must be our friend. Heaven is planned and prepared to give us a place of great beauty. It being nothing like we have ever seen before. It really is a reward for each and every one of us. We will find that heaven is. Commodius, Ann comfortable. It will be appropriate for our every need. There is nothing supposed to be amiss. It will be here that we are to spend eterniti. We must remember that this condition is supplied by ourselves. However. This is also God's gift to man. If he will only make the effort himself.

Heaven will be a place of perfect holiness. Nothing shall enter heaven that will defile it. We find in Revelation chapter 21, verse 17, which states. And he measured the wall there of an 140 and four cubits, according to the measure of a man that is, or the Angel. Now we are told that the followers of Christ will be like him as he is. Thus we find in John Chapter 3, verse two stating beloved now are we the Sons of God? And it does not yet appear that we

shall be. But we know that when he shall appear, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. The battle with Sin will be over. This is one of the wonderful things about heaven.

There are many different descriptions of heaven. We have a description of heaven as being a place of rest. We find in Revelation Chapter 14, first 13. And they sung, as it were, a new song before the throne, and before the four Beasts. And the elders, an no man, can learn that song. But the 140 and 4000 which were redeemed from the Earth. This does not mean that the Saints will spend eternity in idleness. It does mean that they will not know the burdens and tensions and discomforts of grueling labor as some have known on Earth. We find another version of heaven. Heaven is a place of active service. We find in Revelation chapter 22, verse 3. Reading and there shall be no more curse. But the throne of God and of the lamb shall be in it, and his servants will serve him. There will be ways for the children of God to worship him. It will be in such a manner that it will bring joy to their hearts without end. Once this life is over. It is told in another description that Heaven will be a place without tears, death and pain. These will be exiled forever in heaven. There will be no sorrow or death. Sorrow and death will never again touch the lives of those who go to be with God. This is one of the rewards given to us by God.

This is a description of heaven that we hear more than any other, I'm sure. It is John Chapter 14, verse two which reads. In my father's house, there are many mansions. If it were not so, I would not have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. This means that the children of God will enjoy the hospitality of God. They will rejoice in his love and Grace and mercy. Love will be the Law of heaven. We are very sure that God has a place for those who are ready to go to him. This is the reward that we here on Earth have the chance to prepare ourselves for. Let's make sure that we do just this for our own sakes. We search in vain for a literal description of heaven in the Bible. We get into all kinds of difficulties when we take a symbolic language and try to make it literal. This is a very difficult thing when our planes are so far different. It is the conviction of my heart that the descriptive powers of human language were exhausted as the inspired to reveal them. Let us look at some of the descriptions of heaven. Here we have one that describes heaven as a Tabernacle. We find in Revelation chapter 21 verses one through 4. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth

for the 1st Heaven and the first Earth were passed away. And there was no more see. And John saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, behold, the Tabernacle of God was 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. 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 anymore pain. For the former, things are passed away. Now to the beautiful pavilion. God comes to 12 with his people. Never again will they have to be separated from their God. They will always be together. Never again will they experience suffering, sorrow and death. They will dwell with God and God with them from now on. From now on there will be joys. Indescribable.

Here we find still another description of heaven as an Oriental city. We find in Revelation chapter 21, verses 19 through 27. And the foundation of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was of Jasper, the second of Sapphire, the 3rd of. Chalcedony and the 4th of Emerald and the 5th Sarde. Star Dons the 6th Sardius, the 7th of Chrysolite the 8th. Eberley the 9th Topaz the 10th. Christoph process the 11th. Just Seth. And the 12th and last and amythest.

And now we come to the gates. The 12 gates were 12 pearls every 7th gate was of Pearl and the streets of the city were of pure gold as if it were transparent glass. I saw no temple there in for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb of the temple therein. The city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon to shine in it for the glory and honor into it.

The gates of it shall not be shut at all day by day. For there shall be no night there. They shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it. The descriptive writer runs out of words when he goes about to see before a picture of the splendid pageantry of an Oriental city. It is described as a place where the citizens enjoy perfect protection and absolute spaciousness. In the midst of indescribable beauty. Here is another description of heaven, a beautiful garden. Thus we find in Revelation chapter 22 verses one through 5. And he showed me a pure River of water of life. Clear as Crystal proceeding out of the throne of God. And of the lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the

River, was there the Tree of life which bare 12 manner of fruit. And yield her fruit each month and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more course. There shall be no more curse. But the throne of God and the lamb shall be in it, and his servants shall serve him, and they shall see his face, and his name shall be on their foreheads. And there shall be no night there. And they shall need no candle, neither light of the sun. For the Lord God giveth them light, and they shall reign forever and ever. Now in this beautiful garden, the necessity of life are provided. In the midst of the garden Is located the throne of God? There also is the throne of the Lamb of God, the Lamb of God was on this earth to do away with sin. He was to take over there in here on the Earth. Now the original curse placed here on the Earth is no longer in effect. Now you know that God himself is the light, and there is no darkness. Now you know that man began his existence in the Garden of Eden. And the Book of Revelation, which portrays a picture of God's plan for the future. Put God and the redeemed man, back in a beautiful place. There must be a way back to this garden from which man was cast out because of sin. We are sure that God has been seeking a way to make it possible for man to re enter the garden. It is the desire of God to eradicate death and that man enjoy eternal life and fellowship with his creator and Redeemer. Heaven is described in such a wonder of terms. That it is impossible to believe that anyone could ever be able to purchase at any price the privilege of spending eternity in heaven. It would be impossible for man to be able to go to the home of the father without the right preparation. He must have the right instructions and the only way he can get them is through the Church and Jesus Christ. It is the testimony of the Word of God from the beginning to the end that all of those who go to heaven go because of the grace and mercy of God. There is no other way to reach heaven, only by God's mercy. No one will be able to find the way to heaven without having faith in Jesus Christ. It was Jesus himself who declared I am the way, the truth and the life. No man goes to the father but by me. This we find in John Chapter 14 verse 6. Jesus was God in the human flesh. He was appointed by the father to be our Savior, for from the penalty of sin. It was Jesus Christ who conquered death and the grave and revealed the reality of immortality by his resurrection from the dead. It is Jesus Christ alone who has authority over death. It is Jesus

Christ alone who can offer two men any hope at all of a life beyond this one. It is Christ alone who gives two men the gift of Eternel life in the present. That life is received as a present possession by those who receive him into their hearts as Lord and Master. Now this continues beyond the experience that we commonly called death. It reaches a full. It reaches a fulfillment and consummation in the Heavenly Father's home described so beautifully in so many different ways in the scriptures. Now, in conclusion, what are your plans for eterniti? How much thought have you really given to this matter? Do you have any hope for a home beyond this life? Do you have the desire that is in the hearts of the multitudes and have gone about making preparations here for this great future? It can be yours. You must give your heart to the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will help you through eternity. You are the one to make this decision. You are also the one to reap the results each and everyone is his own master when it comes to these things for the future.

Jesus is there with open arms awaiting you to go into them. Make the step forward and you will not be sorry that this was your decision. After making this step, respond to him with the faith that caused you to make him the Lord of your heart and also the leader of your life. Let God bring the rule of heaven to you and presented to you in the way that will warm your heart into being a new person. Heaven is the only. Heaven is not only a place. In the hereafter, but it can be an experience in the heart of the believer now. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall you also appear in the glory? This is from Colossians chapter 3, verse 4. If it were only for the time being, it would not have the same view as it does for the future. We are here on this Earth. For such a very short time and have so many things to do. We are so busy here that we do not take the time to look to the future. The future is so much greater it not only is such greater space of time for it is eterniti eternity is forever. We are here on Earth not for eternity, but for a few short years. It is here during this time that we must earn the reward that is awaiting us in heaven for eternity. What have you done about it? Even with so many descriptions of heaven, we can readily see that they are all good. We of course cannot take our choice, nor do we really know that any of them are right. But we do know for sure that there is a home over there

that is awaiting for us. That was built by what we do here on this plane. The better we go about doing God's work here, the better the home we will have waiting for us. We may be. What is termed poor here? But we do not have to be poor in heaven. We have this for ourselves. If we do not go along with God's work here, we surely must not expect too much when we pass on to the next World. Really, we are the ones who make this choice. God only gives us the opportunity it is there for us. We must remember that we create the condition of heaven. It is as we know, only a condition and not a place.