

HEAVEN IS A WONDERFUL PLACE

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Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things that God hath prepared for them that love him." I Cor. 2:9

One of my favorite choruses is, "Heaven is a wonderful place, Filled with glory and grace; I want to see my Saviour's face, Heaven is a wonderful place." With all the heartaches, sorrows, and difficulties of these days we can become weighed down with life's problems and daily necessities. TV News is filled with grief and tragedy, our government slides deeper into despair, and even many Christians are discouraged, and plagued by worry. We long for freedom, and deliverance and conditions that are better. We need to turn our eyes upward to the Heaven God promises for His own, and meditate on the glorious realities of our future home. **(1). In Heaven There Is No Curse:** *"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:" Rev. 22:3.* The curse of sin fell on all mankind after the sin of Adam and Eve. We live in a beautiful world, but the scars of sin with its curse are seen everywhere in nature. A beautiful rose has its thorns. For every joy there is sorrow, and for every ray of sunshine, there is a cloud of gloom. On earth sin is everywhere, and all are affected by it. *"Man that is born of a woman Is a few days and full of trouble. unto trouble as the sparks fly upward."* Job 14:1. Heaven will allow no presence of sin, and all of the horrible results of man's sin will be gone forever. **(2). In Heaven There Will Be No Defilement:** *"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."* Rev.

21:27. On earth man's defilement goes beyond words, but in Heaven dwells the Father, the Lamb of God, and the Holy Spirit Our rent is paid by the sacrificial death of Jesus upon the cross, and the plan for us is completely paid for with the blood of Christ for all eternity. Everything in Heaven is ours because of the price He paid. The Holy Spirit and deliverer will also be there with us forever. Praise God! **(3). In Heaven There Will Be No Separation:** *"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. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."* I Cor. 15:54-55 and verse 57. Physical death will give all believers an entrance into Heaven where we will dwell forever, and never be separated from it's glories. I believe we will know our families and dwell together forever. Digging graves and tearful good byes and no true believer ever left behind again. The redeemed family of God will exist to enjoy each other and most of all the King of Kings. **(4). There Will Be No Darkness There:** *"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: sun, neither of the moon to shine in it; for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof."* Rev. 21:23. Christ Himself shall be the light there, just as He claimed He would be when speaking on earth. Remember Moses' face shone because he had been with God. When Jesus came down from the mount of transfiguration His face shown before His disciples. Dark painful nights have tortured many a sick believer on earth, or loved ones have sat through the long night, waiting for their loved ones death. Much evil and sin on earth takes place after dark, which sinful men use foolishly hoping to hide their sin from God. In Heaven the glow of His presence will bathe every believer, as we snuggle under His

wings, for He will be our Rock of Ages forever. True believers long for that wonderful day. **(5). In Heaven We Will Walk With The Lord:** *"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. 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."* John 14:2& 3. On earth the disciples loved to walk with Christ, and so will we in Heaven. His very name will open the gates of Heaven, and we who have trusted Him will enter in by His arrangement and grace. The presence of God will shower us with all the blessings of eternity. He is the light and life of Heaven where we will dwell. Yes, we will know Him when we enter Heaven, finding it is a perfect place to enjoy, and eternally walk with Him. **(6). We Will Know Each Other And Be Known:** *"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."* I Cor 13:12. This is a glorious truth. I nearly every week get a letter, phone call, or e mail from someone that I assisted to be saved over the many years of evangelistic endeavor. Will it not be wonderful for me to see many thousands that are in Heaven, won during the 70 years of crusades for Christ. Your special Christian friends will know you also, and all those you have won to Christ. It will be an amazing reunion as all the saints sing praises to God. Many of us had great parents and will rejoice in their arms once again forever. It will all begin with the greatest reunion ever and last for eternity. **(7). There Will Be No Sickness, Pain, or Death:** *"Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. according to the working whereby he is able to subdue all things unto himself."* Phil 3:21. No more sleepless tossing nights of pain, or loneliness as your partner was snatched by death on earth. No more cancer gnawing through the body or physical hearts in trouble.

We won't need any more pills or hospitals filled with doctors. In Heaven bodily we will be like Christ. On earth the risen body of Jesus felt no gravity, and time was no restriction, He could appear wherever He wanted, even through closed doors in a moment, with no physical restrictions. Our bodies will be like the one He possessed after the resurrection, a body with no limits, no pain; a new spiritual body of perfection. While the sinful world collapses through the great judgment days with billions of cries of terror, we will dwell in eternal peace with our Lord. Praise His holy name. **(8). Heaven Will Be A Place Of Absolute Perfection:** *"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: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads. 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."* Rev. 22: 3-5. *"And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honor into it. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it. And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."* Rev. 21: 24-27. Our world today is full of imperfections, with war and greed and all manner of evil ruling upon it. Righteous living is being ridiculed, God's will refused, and Christians insulted and rejected. The greatest gift God ever gave to man is by and large being rejected and ridiculed. Such rancor and evil will continue until God has seen enough. The Rapture of true saints will take place, and great horrible judgment follow on earth. And at the throne of God, believers will be welcomed. and rewarded. Praise God!