

Heaven - my real home

This World Is Not My Home

various scriptures

THREE WAYS I CAN GAIN AN ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE:

❖ SET MY _____ ABOVE - Colossians 3:1-2

Philippians 3:20-21 " _____ verse"

❖ SEND MY _____ AHEAD - Matthew 6:19-21

My _____ follows my _____

What makes a place home?

Heaven is not so much a _____ as a _____

Learn to _____ your _____

❖ S _____ MY _____

2 Corinthians 4:7-12, 16-18

Suffering is _____ v.17

Suffering moves our _____ toward _____ v.18

Disappointments with _____ and _____
remove our _____ that earth will make us _____

Philippians 3:7-10

Suffering brings _____ with _____ v.10



The Most Important Thing You'll Ever Hear: God's Offer of Salvation

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The Plan—God's desire for us:

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. (Genesis 1:27)

For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost. (Luke 19:10)

The Problem—Our sin separates us from God:

... your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear. (Isaiah 59:2)

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)

For the wages of sin is death . . . (Romans 6:23)

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart. (Psalm 24:3-4)

The Solution—Christ's death and resurrection for us:

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve.

After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time . . . (1 Corinthians 15:3-6)

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. (1 Peter 3:18)

God's Offer of forgiveness and righteousness based on Christ's sacrifice:

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him. (Ps 103:12-13)

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:21)

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:1)

False solution #1: Thinking we can work our way to heaven:

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. (Ephesians 2:8-10) He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. (Romans 5:1) There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death. (Proverbs 14:12)

False solution #2: Thinking we can come to God through any means but Christ:

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6) Salvation is found in no one else [but Jesus], for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)

For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 2:5)

The Choice—Accept or reject God's gift of salvation in Christ:

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. (Rom 10:9-10)

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. (Romans 10:13)

He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. (1 John 5:12-13)

Final Thoughts to Consider:

Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment. (Hebrews 9:27)

I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation. (2 Corinthians 6:2)

When I kept silent [about my sin], my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. . . . Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD'—and you forgave the guilt of my sin. (Psalm 32:3-5)

Jesus said, "He who is not with me is against me." (Matthew 12:30)

He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. (Proverbs 28:13)

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life. (Revelation 22:17)

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