

TAKING IT HOME

1. Is there anything you need to change in your life in order to “live up to what we have already attained?” (**Philippians 3:16**)

How can we as a growth group encourage each other in living as citizens of Heaven on earth?

5 GLIMPLES OF HEAVEN
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1 Corinthians 15:35-36

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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE ARE BORN?

Psalm 139:13, 1 Timothy 6:15-16, 2 Timothy 1:10, Matthew 10:28

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE DIE?

“Jesus called out with a loud voice, ‘Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.’ When he had said this, he breathed his last.” Luke 23:46

WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR SPIRIT?

“Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ Jesus answered him, ‘I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise.’” Luke 23:42–43

WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR PHYSICAL BODY?

Acts 1:11, 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18, John 5:24–30, Philippians 3:20–21

“But someone may ask, ‘How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?’ How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed...” 1 Corinthians 15:35–37a

What will be different?

“So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body” 1 Corinthians 15:42–44a

What will be the same?

“Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ” 1 Corinthians 15:51–52

“We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when God will give us our full rights as his adopted children, including the new bodies He has promised us. We were given this hope when we were saved.” Romans 8:23–24, NLT

Growth Group Homework

For the Week of May 22, 2011

QUICK REVIEW

1. Looking back at your notes from this week's message, what challenged you the most? What questions do you have?

MY STORY

1. If you had one day to live, how would you spend it?

How would you describe Heaven to someone who has never heard of heaven?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read **Isaiah 65:17-25**. What does this passage teach us about what the "new Heavens and new earth" look like?

What do you see humans doing there?

What is the relationship of God to His people?

2. How does this agree with your idea of eternal life? How does it disagree?

What excites you the most?

3. Read **Philippians 3:15-21**. In this passage, Paul is giving advice on living in this earthly life. What does it mean to have citizenship in Heaven?

What will we be like when we get there?

4. Read **1 Corinthians 15:53-58**. What does it mean for the perishable to clothe itself with the imperishable?

If we are going to be changed in the end, why does Paul emphasize doing God's will here on earth?