

# One minute after you die

## The Glory of Heaven

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### 1. What you believe about eternity determines how you live today

<sup>9</sup> ... "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

1 Corinthians 2:9 NLT

### 2. Four misconceptions about heaven

- Heaven will be boring
- This world is our home
- Heaven is only a spiritual reality
- Most people are going to heaven anyway

<sup>1</sup> "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. <sup>2</sup> There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to where I am going." <sup>5</sup> "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

John 14:1-6 NLT

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. <sup>3</sup> I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever." <sup>5</sup> And the one sitting on the throne said, "Look, I am making everything new!" ... <sup>7</sup> All who are victorious will inherit all these blessings, and I will be their God, and they will be my children.

Revelation 21:1-5, 7 NLT

<sup>19</sup> ... They think only about this life here on earth. <sup>20</sup> But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior.

Philippians 3:19-20 NLT

<sup>55</sup> O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" ... <sup>57</sup> But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup> So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.

1 Corinthians 15:55, 57-58 NLT

### Next Steps:

- Prepare myself for heaven now by focusing on eternity, not just my life in this world
- Give praise to God for his marvelous creation that is a glimpse of Heaven
- Live and work enthusiastically for the Lord, knowing it has eternal value (1 Cor. 15:28)
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