



Not An Eternal Church Service

GET GOING

For most people, Heaven is a fuzzy concept. In our culture, we have reduced Heaven to something so boring, vague, and unappealing that no one wants to go there. But the truth is if we don't think about what it's like *there* we won't be much good *here*.

DISCUSS

1. **Where's your little bit of Heaven on Earth? Is there a favorite place in the house? Favorite vacation spot? Where do you love to spend your time?**
2. **True or False: All dogs go to Heaven.** (Just kidding, let's talk about what we *do* know for sure from the Bible.)
3. **Read Revelation 21:1-8. How is Heaven described in this passage? What things are absent?** (Death, mourning, crying, pain.) **What is present?** (New heaven, new earth, new Jerusalem, new everything.)
4. **Read verse 3 again. What is the most significant feature of Heaven?** (We are reunited with God forever.) **What is your honest reaction to that reality?** (It is exciting, daunting, or fuzzy?)
5. **Be honest, what do you imagine when you think of heaven?**
6. **What do you most look forward to in heaven?**
7. **How could thinking more about Heaven help you live your life with more purpose?** (e.g. Hope is powerful: If I know the future is awesome I can put up with a lot in the present.)

WRAP IT UP

Let's try this together this week. Let's think about what Heaven will be one day and see how it changes us today. Let's read Revelation 21 & 22 at some point this week and focus our eyes on Heaven. The best way to live this life is to keep your eyes on the next one.