

WHEN YOU DIE: What Happens

Pastor John Tiernan February 7, 2021

Life Group Discussion

Encouragement

Share a way the hope of heaven encourages you in your daily life.

Scripture

Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-11

What are some ways we 'groan' or suffer here on earth?

Paul of all people knew what it was to suffer. How can he say we are always "of good courage"?

What should be our primary goal in life? (vs.9) How do we please God? How can we as a group encourage each other to keep this goal our top priority and keep an eternal perspective?

In verse 10 Paul talks about an accounting we will have to give for how we spend our precious life. How does this make you feel?

Verse 11 tells us to 'persuade others'. What should we persuade them to do? How can we do this?

Prayer

Have someone **read** Revelation 21:1-5. Spend some time in prayer thanking God for this amazing hope of a new heaven and a new earth.

Next Steps

Individually or as a group commit to at least one way you will share the hope of heaven with someone this week.



When You Die: 5 Myths About Heaven

Pastor Derek Sanford February 14, 2021

Life Group Discussion

Encouragement:

Share about a time when you longed for heaven. What were the earthly circumstances that made you want heaven? What about heaven made you long for it in that instance?

Scripture:

Read Ecclesiastes 3:11.

- 1) What does it mean that God "makes everything beautiful in its time" (ESV)? How have you experienced that to be true?
- 2) How do we see evidence in our culture a desire for eternity? What about in your own life? Read Romans 8:18-25.
 - 3) What are the things that we and creation are waiting (groaning) for in the future glory that waits for us?
 - 4) How does someone know that they will be in heaven one day? (See Acts 16:31).
 - 5) What does it look like day-to-day to wait in hope with patience?

Prayer: Choose 1

- 1- Share with the group which of the 5 myths you struggle with the most. Pray for each other to understand the truth about those myths and to live your life with patient hope for when we get to go to heaven.
- 2- Read <u>Revelation 22</u> out loud and use it as a launch point to pray for both Jesus' return and for those who are still lost.

Next Steps:

Learn some scriptures that debunk the myth you struggle with. Look for opportunities this week to share with someone who doesn't know Jesus the hope that you have for eternity.