

RESURRECTION  
AND  
ETERNAL LIFE:  
LIFE BEYOND  
THE GRAVE



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*Featuring a New Note for Today's Readers*

# HEAVEN

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*Our belief that Heaven will be boring betrays a heresy—that God is boring. There is no greater nonsense. God is the source of all joy... Heaven will be the opposite of boredom.*

*The idea that Heaven will be boring stems from Satan's lies. He portrays Heaven as dull, white, and floaty, because he knows that if we believe that, we'll be unmotivated to pursue it.*



*Bishop Wescott, an Anglican Bible scholar in the 19<sup>th</sup> century wrote “The eternal does not, in essence, express the infinite extension of time, but the absence of time not the omnitemporal, but the supratemporal.” Something omnitemporal would be within time.*

*Supratemporal means beyond time—existing outside the bounds of time itself. So, when the Bible speaks of eternal life, it’s not just saying “you’ll live a really long time,” but “you’ll participate in the kind of life that belongs to God—life that transcends time.”*



We know that if the  
earthly tent we live in  
is destroyed, we have  
a building from God,  
an eternal house in  
heaven, not built by  
human hands.

- 2 CORINTHIANS 5:1 -

WE ARE CONFIDENT, I SAY, AND WILLING RATHER  
TO BE ABSENT FROM THE BODY, AND TO BE PRESENT  
WITH THE LORD.

-2 CORINTHIANS 5:8 KJV

### Why will you die?

*Because sin and death now corrupt this world, my body will degenerate and die. But, by the will of God, my soul will be with the Lord, and I will rise bodily from death when Jesus Christ returns to judge the living and the dead.*

### What is the resurrection of the body?

*When the risen Lord Jesus returns to judge the earth, he will raise all the dead to bodily life. The wicked will then receive eternal condemnation, and the righteous eternal life in the glory of God.*



*There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.*

*1 Corinthians 15:40–42*

To Be A Christian  
*An Anglican Catechism*



*How should you live in light of this promise of unending life?*

*I should live in joyful expectation of the fullness of my transformation, soul and body, into the likeness of Christ. In the midst of suffering or in the face of hostility and persecution, I am sustained by the hope of a new heaven and earth, freed from Satan, evil, suffering, and death.*



*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Revelation 21:1-5*