

# What Will Heaven Be Like? (part 2)

Revelation 21

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## Growth Group Questions

1. I Jn. 3:2 and Phil. 3:20 inform us that we will be like Christ. Our bodies will be changed to be like His. What is the difference between being “godly” and being a supposed “god”?
2. Do you remember the first time mankind was tempted to think he could actually become a god? (cf. Gen. 3:4) Do you think Satan still pushes this line of thinking today? How?
3. In your heart...how about in your mind?...do you really believe and practice the truth of Romans 8:1? This “no condemnation” truth may be especially tough for those who grew up in condemning or “shaming” homes.... share your thoughts with each other.
4. Do you think of yourself as being one of the prized people of God? How do the following verses from Revelation reflect this truth? Rev. 2:17b; 5:9b; 22:4b. Do you know of other verses that reflect this truth? How would you respond to people who would rather talk about how “unworthy” we are? What is the balance between these two mindsets? (i.e. “prized people” and “unworthy people”)
5. In Matt. 22:30 (cf. Lk. 20:35) Jesus told us there will be no marriage in heaven. No need for sex in heaven either i.e. not “given” in marriage. Why do you think this is so? [For the fun of it, how would you teach this to a newlywed couple?] Can you imagine an environment where everyone loves each other even more than a husband and wife with a perfect marriage? Share your thoughts.
6. Since Jesus clearly taught there is no marriage in heaven, why do you think some religions still teach the opposite?
7. What aspect(s) of having an eternal body excites you the most? OR... What heavenly activity or ability are you looking forward to the most?
8. When contemplating what we will do in heaven for eternity, do you realize that no matter how much we do, discover, learn or experience... because God is infinite and His kingdom infinite, we will never run out of things to do, discover, learn or experience. How does this fit with the concept that we will “know completely” in heaven? (Cf. I Cor. 13:12b.)
9. Heaven is a place where we will serve God and He will serve us... and the angels will serve us. (Rev. 22:3b; Heb. 1:14; Lk. 12:37). If you enjoy serving others now, why? If you don't, why? What practical steps can we take now to rehearse for the coming world that involves so much serving?
10. What style of worship will prevail in heaven?
11. What affects of “the curse” are we experiencing today?
12. Discuss what it might be like to sin no longer nor to be tempted by it. (cf. Rev. 21:27)



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