Our Convictions About HEAVEN

1. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER IS THERE

John 14:1-4 KJV

[1] Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. [2] In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. [3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. [4] And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

2. OUR SAVIOR THE LORD JESUS IS THERE

Acts 1:10-11 KJV

[10] And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; [11] Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

3. HEAVEN IS A PLACE PREPARED FOR US

John 14:2 KJV

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

Revelation 21:27 KJV

And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:1-2 KJV

[1] And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. [2] And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

4. OUR CITIZENSHIP IS ALREADY THERE

Philippians 3:20-21 KJV

[20] For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: [21] Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

5. SPIRITUALLY WE ARE ALREADY THERE

Ephesians 2:4-6 KJV

[4] But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, [5] Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) [6] And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 1:13 KJV

[13] In whom ye also trusted , after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

6. OUR INHERITANCE AND REWARDS ARE THERE

Matthew 5:12 KJV

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

1 Peter 1:3-4 KJV

[3] Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [4] To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

7. OUR SAVED LOVE ONES AND FRIENDS ARE THERE

2 Corinthians 5:8 KJV

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

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8. HEAVEN IS WHERE OUR TREASURE IS

Matthew 6:20-21 KJV

[20] But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: [21] For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

9. THE NAMES OF THE SAVED ARE RECORDED THERE

Luke 10:20 KJV

[20] Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

The question is, will you be there?

HOW DO WE GET THERE?

We must repent of our sins and accept that we cannot qualify through our own actions. We MUST have our sins removed before we can enter heaven because no sin can be in the presence of God. Accepting Jesus as our personal savior and acknowledging that his blood, shed on the cross at Calvary is the only way our sins can be forgiven by God.

John 14:6 KJV

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Questions asked about Heaven:

- 1. WHO IS GOING TO BE THERE? Those people who's name is written in the book of life.
- 2. WHAT KIND OF LANGUAGE WILL WE SPEAK? Universal language, love,
- 3. HOW OLD WILL I BE? Around 30, because that was the age of Jesus.
- 4. WHAT WILL WE WEAR? Clothed in righteousness.
- 5. WILL CHILDREN BE THERE?

Youthful age, our soul will be at an age of the most good for the purpose of what we'll be needed for.

- 6. WILL PEOPLE BE THE AGE WE KNEW THEM AT? We will know their spirit, recognize them, but not necessarily by looks.
- 7. WILL THEIR BE SIN OR TEMPTATION? No sin, maybe temptation.
- 8. WILL WE KNOW TIME? Yes, but not necessarily by clocks.
- 9. WILL WE EAT?

Yes, Jesus ate fish after he was raised from the dead.

10. WILL WE WORK?

Yes, the task we do will not be work, it will be joy for us, and needed by God.

11. WILL WE STILL LEARN OR IMPROVE?

Maybe, it will be perfect from the start, no improvement necessary.

12. ARE THERE OTHER WORLDS?

Who knows, we can't imagine what all heaven entails. Our minds can't fathom what heaven is like or the things that are there.

Isaiah 65:17 KJV For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

13. WILL WE RECOGNIZE PEOPLE WE KNEW?

Yes, people recognized Moses, we will know the ones we knew and others.

14. WILL WE BE SAD, GUILT, SORROW, ABOUT PEOPLE WHO WERE LOST?

No. All thoughts will be new. Old thinking will be left behind.

15. WHAT ABOUT ANIMALS IN HEAVEN?

Yes, animals are without sin and although they don't have souls, they have lifeblood in them. Horses are mentioned coming from heaven with riders.

16. WILL WE MOURN FOR THE LOST?

No. Each person will be responsible for their own life, we may have known them or even loved them but they are responsible to God for their life by themselves.

17. MARRIAGE IN HEAVEN?

No.

18. SEX IN HEAVEN?

No. Physical stimulation will not be necessary in the light of God's overwhelming presence.

19. WHAT WILL OUR BODIES BE LIKE?

Perfection. Back to how God created us in the womb, in his image.

20. WILL THERE BE MEN AND WOMEN? Yes.

21. WILL THERE BE SICKNESS AND HEALTH ISSUES?

No, physical attributes of our bodies won't necessarily be required