

Do You Really Want to Go to Heaven?

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commandments of the Lord will have access to the tree of life. *“Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life . . .”* (Rev. 22:14).

What Will We Do In Heaven?

I do not know what all we will be doing in heaven, but I do know we will not be dormant and inactive. John wrote, *“... and His servants shall serve Him”* (Rev. 22:3). We will be involved in worshiping, adoring, and glorifying God for eternity. Brethren, if we do not enjoy worshiping God and having fellowship with one another, we are not fit for heaven. I just wonder if some of us would even be happy if we made it there with the attitude we seem to have about worshiping God and about one another?

If the only folks we associate with are worldly and fleshly minded, what makes us think we are going to be fitted to commune for eternity with our brethren? We must work to prepare ourselves for that glory land above.

As we look at our hope of heaven what a wonderful scene our faith affords us. Yes, there is one eternal day coming when we shall be with our Savior in all His splendor and majesty. It will be in that moment that God shall wipe away all tears and pain from our souls, that all the mysteries shall be revealed, that we shall trade our crosses for crowns, and the joy of our salvation will fill our spirits in a way we never imagined possible. Yes, heaven will surely be worth it all!

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The United Methodist Church voted this past week to maintain its traditional stance against same-sex marriage and non-celibate gay clergy, bolstered by a growing conservative contingent from Africa. Sadly, the clergy from America largely favored same-sex marriage. While this is nothing new, imagine being part of a world-wide denomination that **votes** on whether or not to accept the New Testament teaching on the subject of marriage!

The Bible is abundantly clear on the subject: (1) marriage is between one man and one woman, Matthew 19:1-6; (2) all fornication is condemned as sinful, including homosexuality, Rom. 1:26-27; 1 Cor. 6:9-11; 1 Tim. 1:9-10; (3) any sexual relation outside of a Scriptural marriage is condemned, Hebrews 13:4.

A MEDLEY OF MATTERS

The Man God Made

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God made man more dependent upon his fellows than any of His creatures — and more capable of rendering help also. Plan to go through life giving help freely and receiving help gratefully.

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