

What happens one minute after you die?

TALK IT OVER

Key Scriptures

... "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

1 Corinthians 2:9 NLT

... Their mind is set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ ...

Philippians 3:19-20 NIV

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" ... "Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children." Revelation 21:1-5, 7 NIV

Going deeper.....

John 14:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:18, Romans 3:23-25, 1 Corinthians 15:55-58

Read these passages and dig a little deeper into what heaven could be like.

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- What do you think heaven will be like? What do you hope to experience when you first enter heaven?
- Describe a moment when you felt like you experienced a piece of heaven.

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Read Philippians 3:19-20. What do you think it looks like to live believing your citizenship is in heaven?
- Read Revelation 21:1-7. How does this change or confirm what you believe about heaven?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- What are some misconceptions you've had about heaven?
- Have you ever felt unsure of whether or not you're going to heaven? How have you worked through that?
- How does your specific view of heaven change the way you live on earth?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

God, we love You. Thank You for preparing a place in heaven for us. Thank You for sending Jesus as the way, the truth, and the life. Teach us to seek You and Your will on earth as it is in heaven. Help us to share the hope we have with others. Amen!

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- What actions will you take in response to this message?
- Who can you talk to about your eternal hope? Start sharing your story of faith with someone.