

THE GOD QUESTIONS

What happens when I die?

Now and Then Activity:

Use a large piece of paper for the whole group or give each person an individual paper. Fold in half writing *Now* on the left and *Then* on the right. Read Revelation 21-22:5. Have the group draw pictures to depict the difference between *Life Now* and *Life Then* (Eternity in Heaven).

Who can tell me one way we live on the earth *now*, but will be different, *then*, in Heaven?

Read Matthew 6:19-21. What are some things you can do *now* to see treasure *then*?

How can you live for eternity?

What is the hardest thing about *now* for you?

Resources:

Heaven God's Promise For Me: by Anne Graham Lotz

Heaven for Kids: by Randy Alcorn



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Digging Deeper:

Pastor Jim talked about our physical termination. When Jesus spoke to Nicodemus in John chapter 3, He told Nicodemus that "...unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." What do you think Jesus meant by "born again?" and what does that mean for us when we physically die?

The bible talks about a new heaven and a new earth... what do you think that will look like? What does the bible teach us about this new heaven and new earth? (read chapter 33 in Hal Seed's book – The God Questions)

In Chapter 33, the author talks about several aspects of this new heaven and new earth. Everything from new bodies, to houses, to foods and animals are talked about. After you read chapter 33, read 2 Peter 3:12-13...what can you do to prepare for all that we are waiting for?

In Matthew 25:14-30 we read the Parable of the talents. Read this scripture passage together and talk about these three questions:

Which servant do you most identify with today?

Do you think it's fair that the master didn't give them each the same number of talents? Why or why not?

Read verse 29...what does that verse mean to your life today?

Jillette Penn, the famous magician (of Penn and Teller) and atheist said this, "I don't respect people who don't proselytize. I don't respect that at all. If you believe there is a heaven and hell, and people could be going to hell or not getting eternal life or whatever, and you think it's not really worth telling them this because it would make it socially awkward."

Knowing what you know about heaven and hell, who do you need to share the good news of Jesus with? Will you do it?