

Group Discussion Questions

FAQ Series - What will Heaven be like? October 19 & October 22, 2017

Group Discussion: Have each person in your group describe a vacation they took recently and how much preparation went into it.

Read aloud: Revelation 21 & 22 and circle all of the words you think are either symbolic or are metaphors/similes. John uses all those symbolic words to attempt to bring as much vivid reality to his description as possible. Share the words you think are most significant and why. How do these words help you picture heaven?

When you were growing up, did you have an innate sense of life after death, God, and heaven? What was that like? Did it make you fearful, encouraged, or joyful? What kind of spiritual commitments did your parents have and how did that impact you?

When did you first imagine heaven? What caused you to think about it? Does it seem real or just a far-away concept?

If death is the transition of going from imagining to experiencing heaven, should funerals be solemn or celebratory? Have you been to one of each and what was it like?

If death is a blessing from God to keep us from living in a sinful world for eternity why do we fear death? What do you most look forward to concerning heaven?

Have you accepted Jesus as your Savior? If we are guaranteed heaven through Jesus why doesn't God just take us to heaven as soon as we accept Jesus? Why does He leave us here on Earth after accepting Jesus?

Family Time: Read Revelation 21:10-21 to your kids and sit down with crayons and draw pictures of heaven with them.