

## Faith Community Church Heavenly Activity

# Faith Group Questions & Discussion Guide



**Opening Prayer**: Begin your time together with prayer, asking God to open hearts and minds to understand what He has prepared for those who love Him.

**Icebreaker Question**: Share one place in this world you've always wanted to visit but haven't had the opportunity. What draws you to that place?

#### **Key Takeaways:**

- 1. Heaven is not boring God is infinitely interesting, and heaven will be filled with joy, discovery, and worship.
- 2. Now is the time to work We must redeem the time we have to serve God because opportunities to labor for Him will one day end.
- 3. Our knowledge will be complete What we see dimly now, we will see clearly then. Trust God with your unanswered questions.
- 4. Eternal life means knowing God We will spend eternity exploring the depths of God's character, love, and glory.
- 5. Heaven is for those who love God now If you love God in your fallenness, you will love Him infinitely more when you see Him face to face.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Which application did you choose last week: stopping the conforming to "Babylon," proving faithfulness, worship changes, or reflecting Christ in marriage? Tell us about it!
- 2. Before this sermon, what was your mental picture of heaven? How has this series challenged or expanded that view? What Scriptures were most eye-opening to you?
- 3. The pastor mentioned that saying "heaven is boring" is actually offensive to God. Why is this true? How does our view of heaven reflect our view of God? (2 Corinthians 5:8, Matthew 22:32, Revelation 4)
- 4. Read Philippians 3:20. What does it mean that "our citizenship is in heaven"? How should this truth affect how we live today? (Ephesians 2:19-22; Ephesians 4:24-32)

- 5. The sermon emphasized that "now is not the time to rest from our labors." What does this mean practically for your life this week? (Matthew 24:45-51, Ephesians 5:14-21)
- 6. Are you currently serving in a way that you'll be proud to reflect on in eternity? If not, what's holding you back? (Matthew 25:14-30)
- 7. What questions do you have for God about your life circumstances or His providence? How can your hope of heaven help you live out your trust in Him now? (Proverbs 3:5-8, John 11:40, Mark 4:35-41)
- 8. Jesus told His disciples, "You do not understand what I'm doing now, but later you will understand" (John 13:7). Share a time when you didn't understand God's purposes but later gained clarity.

### **Practical Applications:**

- 1. Make a list: If I knew I would "rest from my labors" tomorrow, what would I wish I had done differently today? Change one thing this week. Some ideas are in the next lines. Be prepared to tell us about it next week!
- 2. Get in the game: Identify one specific way to serve at church or in ministry and take the first step to get involved.
- 3. Invest eternally: Evaluate how you're spending your time, money, and energy. Make one change that has eternal value.
- 4. Study God's character: Spend 15 minutes each day reading Scripture specifically to learn more about who God is.
- 5. Share your hope: Tell one person this week about the hope you have in Christ and what awaits believers in eternity.
- 6. Practice gratitude: Each day, thank God for three blessings in your life, recognizing that every good gift comes from Him.

**Closing Prayer**: Father, You have promised that we can only imagine what heaven is like. But we want the hope of heaven to drive us to live differently. So help us to see You this week, and how we can partner with You here and now, before those chances end.