

# THE HOPE THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING

Living Today in Light of Eternity



# WHY HEAVEN MATTERS NOW

Why does heaven matter now?



Colossians 3:1-4

“1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”

# OUR TRUE CITIZENSHIP

Exiles and pilgrims



Hebrews 11:13

“These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.”

# HEAVEN REFRAMES LIFE

How does this change our perspective?



“Anticipating resurrected bodies and a resurrected Earth should greatly encourages all who live with illness, disability, and the liabilities of old age” Randy Alcorn, *Heaven*

# COURAGEOUS LIVING NOW

Bold and courageous



Titus 2:11-13

”11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, 12 training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, 13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ”

# ETERNAL IMPACT

Do we live like heaven is real?

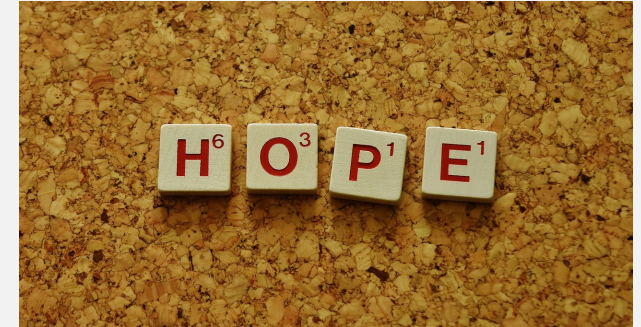


Revelation 7:9

“9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands”

# A LIVING HOPE

THE hope that gives life



“Hope is a good thing, maybe the best of things, and no good thing dies” – *The Shawshank Redemption*

1 Peter 1:3-4

“3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you”

# IF HEAVEN IS REAL

What changes tomorrow?

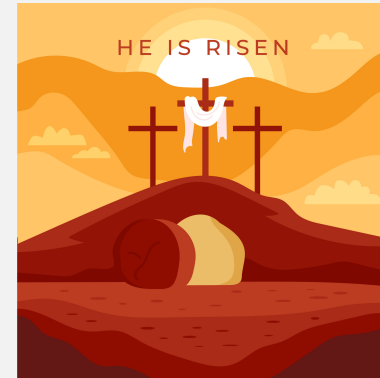


# IF HEAVEN IS REAL

In light of eternity today

The story is not over

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