



What Will We Do in Heaven, and Will Our Pets Be There?

Psalm 16:5-11

Three reflections on Heaven's activities and animals

Heaven In View

Psalm 16:5-11

- ⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- ⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- ⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- ⁸ I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

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¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

1. Endless time will fly by in endless joy and pleasure.

- A. As finite people, eternity is hard, if not impossible, to grasp.
- B. Psalm 16:11 – In the perfect presence of God there is nothing but complete joy and eternal pleasures.
- C. We will work and have responsibilities in Heaven, but our work won't be just vocation. It will be avocation because we will love what we do.
- D. We will get to be creative.
- E. We will have lots of fun.

2. The rest of creation will be redeemed in Heaven with animals seemingly being present.

- A. Romans 8:18-23 – All of creation will be redeemed/restored as part of God's plan for the redemption and resurrection of mankind.**
- B. Revelation 21:1 – The New Heaven and Earth will be like the old, just without sin and its effects.**

3. Pets may or may not be in Heaven, but it would be just like God to allow our favorite pets to be with us.

- A. Animals have life from God but probably not souls.**
- B. But wouldn't it be just like God if He allowed our favorite pets to be there, out of His love for us?**
- C. Whatever Heaven holds, it will be exactly what will yield for us complete joy and eternal pleasures.**