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1. **Heaven is** _____.

2. **Heaven is** _____.

3. **Heaven is** _____.

4. **Heaven is** _____.

What will we be like?

Why does heaven matter?

1. **If you don't live for heaven, you must** _____.

2. **If we don't live for heaven we must** _____.

3. **If we don't live for heaven we lose** _____
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4. **If we don't live for heaven we have** _____
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1. Heaven is real.

2. Heaven is a place.

“In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?” (John 14:2, ESV).

3. Heaven is where God is.

“The Lord's throne is in heaven” (Psalm 11:4, ESV)

“Our Father in heaven” (Matthew 6:9, ESV).

4. Heaven is a blessed place.

“You have let me experience the joys of life and the exquisite pleasures of your own eternal presence” (Psalm 16:11, LB).

“Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven” (Matthew 6:20, ESV).

“And we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay” (1 Peter 1:4, NLT).

“Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” (Luke 14:15, ESV).

“He one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne” (Revelation 3:21, ESV).

“For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known” (1 Corinthians 13:12, ESV).

“No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him” (1 Corinthians 2:9, NLT).

What will we be like?

“For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality” (1 Corinthians 15:53, ESV).

Why does heaven matter?

“Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever” (1 John 2:15-15, ESV).

“So we don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever” (2 Corinthians 4:18, NLT).

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God” (Colossians 3:1-3, ESV)

“Our citizenship is in heaven” (Philippians 3:20, ESV).

1. If you don’t live for heaven, you must live for earth.

2. If we don’t live for heaven we must rely on ourselves.

3. If we don’t live for heaven we lose any sense of direction, purpose or values.

4. If we don't live for heaven we have no real hope when hard times come.

"In the world you will have tribulation" (John 16:33, ESV).