

"I pray that your hearts will...understand the wonderful future (God) has promised... I want you to realize what a rich and glorious inheritance he has given to his people" (Ephesians 1:18)

## Heaven's Adventure

That Ignites Me
"For the throne of God and of the Lamb will be there, and his servants will worship him. And they will see his face" (Revelation 22:3,4)

"I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation...standing in front of the throne...shouting with a mighty shout, 'Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and strength belong to our God forever & forever!

"From the throne came a voice that said, "Praise our God, all his servants' ... Then I heard again what sounded like the shout of a huge crowd, or the roar of mighty ocean waves, or the crash of loud thunder: "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. Let us be glad and rejoice & honor him" (Revelation 7:9-12; 19:5-7)

## That Excites Me

"the Lord God will shine on them. And they will reign forever and ever" (Rev. 22:5; 2 Tim 2:12;

(Jesus) "Well done 'You are a trustworthy servant... so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward." (Luke 19:17)

"someday we Christians are going to judge the world" (1 Cor. 6:2) "I saw thrones, and the people sitting on them had been given the authority to judge." (Rev. 20:4)

## \_\_\_\_\_ That Delight Me

(Jesus) "many will come from all over the world - from east and west - and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the feast in the Kingdom of Heaven, "(Matt 8:11)

### Recognition

"Jesus took Peter...James and John, and led them up a high mountain...Suddenly, Moses and Elijah appeared and began talking with Jesus." (Matthew 17:1-3)

"Therefore comfort and encourage one another with these words [concerning our reunion with believers who have died]." (1 Thessalonians. 4:18 Amp)

(David) "I will go to (my dead son) one day, but he cannot return to me." (2 Sam12:23)

(Jesus) "For I tell you that in heaven (the little children's) angels are always in the presence of my heavenly Father." (Matthew 18:10)

# That Empowers Me "(Jesus) will make these poor bodies of ours like his own glorious body" (Phil. 3:21)

- · Same soul & personality
- Similar body: like a plant from seed (1 Cor. 15:35-53) "physical bodies will be changed into **spiritual** bodies" (44) "dead & decaying bodies will be changed...won't die or decay" (53) "ugly and weak will become **beautiful** and **strong**" (43)
- New mind & heart

"we are already God's children...we do know that when Christ returns, we will be like him, because we will see him as he truly is. This hope makes us keep ourselves holy" (1 John 3:2,3)

That Stimulates Me
"I pray...that you might grow in your knowledge of God...that you will begin to understand the incredible **greatness of his power**" (Ephesians 1:17,19)

"Now we see things imperfectly as in a poor mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity...then I will know everything completely" (1 Corinthians 13:11,12)

# 6. \_\_\_\_\_ That Rewards Me (Jesus) "Be very glad! For a **great reward** awaits you in heaven." (Matthew 5:12)

"If the master returns and finds that the servant has done a good job, there will be a reward." (Matthew 24:46)

(1 Cor. 3:10-15; 2 Tim. 4:7,8; James 1:12; Rev. 2:10, 3:11; 1 Peter 5:2-4; 1 Thess. 2:19; 1 Cor. 9:25)

"God will give to everyone whatever praise is due." (1 Corinthians 4:5)

7. \_\_\_\_\_ And Laughter Forever "you have come to...the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to countless thousands of angels in a joyful gathering." (Hebrews 12:22)

"God blesses you who weep now, for in due time you will laugh" (Luke 6:21)