

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

1. What is a good way to initiate a conversation about Heaven with a non-Christian? Have you ever done so? Why or why not?
2. What can you do to begin thinking of and dreaming of Heaven more regularly? What difference would this make in your life?
3. What did Moses mean when in Psalm 90:12 he asked God to “teach us to number our days?” How can you number your days?
4. As you launch into a new season of Life Groups, think about what you would like to see God accomplish within your group, and then present this to Him in prayer.

Life Beyond
#608 – *Life is Short, Then You Die*
Psalm 90:10-12

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Common Views on Death:

_____ - Nothing happens, we just cease to exist.

_____ - A place of stillness and darkness to which all the dead go (righteous & unrighteous); cut off from life and from God.

_____ - A new life in a different physical body or form starts after each biological death.

_____ - All who die in God's grace & friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are assured of their eternal salvation; but after death undergo purification, to achieve the holiness necessary to enter.

Eternal _____ or _____ - There is eternal life in paradise or eternal death in hell based on the outcome of each person's work.

_____ for all - All souls will ultimately be saved and there are no torments of hell.

_____, but guessing – It's impossible to know what happens after death; yet believe what people who have “clinically died” say about near death experiences.

The Bible teaches the continuity of _____ between life on earth and life in Heaven.

Apart from the return of Jesus, all who live will die. At death your _____ is sealed, your body will return to _____ and your spirit will return to _____ who gave it. The judgement that happens next will confirm your eternal destiny.

When we die, we face the judgment of _____. If we have _____ Christ's atoning death for us, our name will be written in the Book of Life. If we have _____ Christ, our name will not be found in the Book of Life.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. Assuming you had a vacation this summer, describe where you went, what you did and how you liked it.

- B. How often do you dream of Heaven? What do you think life in Heaven will be like?

- C. In your opinion and experience, what is the most common cultural view on the afterlife?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following four questions

Quick Review

1. Reflecting on this week's sermon, is there any principle or insight that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. Since it is a prerequisite to entering Heaven, describe your understanding of how someone's name is written in the Book of Life. (Reference Malachi 3:16)

3. Some believe that everyone's name is written in the Book of Life and a goal in this life is not to have it blotted out. What do you think? (Reference Exodus 32:33, Revelation 3:5)

4. What is your understanding: if someone were to never hear the gospel preached to them, would they have any possibility of going to Heaven when they die? (Reference Romans 1:18-22)