

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

- A. Now that this series called Life Beyond is half way completed, what has changed about your life from what you have learned so far?
- B. What is your answer to the question presented in 2 Peter 3:10-13, "Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be?"
- C. If the people that you know and love who are in Paradise can see you, what parts of you do they see that you wish they'd rather not?
- D. Invite everyone in the group to pray for the things you have discussed during your Life Group.

Life Beyond
#611 – *Life in Paradise*
Revelation 6:9-11

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Life in Paradise

Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the full number of their fellow servants, their brothers and sisters, were killed just as they had been.

Revelation 6:11

Paradise and the New Heaven / New Earth are two distinct places. If a believer in Jesus dies anytime soon, they will spend time in _____.

Paradise is the Garden of Delight, the first _____ of Adam and Eve.

In Paradise our _____ is maintained, and our _____ is remembered.

In Paradise we have an audience with God, our memories are _____, and we are _____ of what is happening on Earth.

In Paradise we experience _____, gain new _____ and exist as members of the single Bride of Christ.

Memory is a basic element of personality. If we are truly ourselves in Paradise, there must be _____ of _____ from here to there.

In Paradise we will _____ what is happening on the present Earth.

_____ intercedes for us, which tells us that there is at least one person who is now praying for those on Earth. The _____ in Paradise also pray (Rev 6:10), asking God to take action on Earth.

Happiness in heaven is not based on _____ but on _____.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. Have you ever been to a GateWay Starting Point? How was your experience there?

- B. As far as you know, how many generations of faith in Christ extend backwards in your family? To Parents? Grandparents? Great-Grandparents? Further?

- C. Ask one or two people to share the testimony of how they came to place their faith in Jesus.

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following three 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. As you read about the Garden of Eden described in Genesis 1 and 2, how does it help you to imagine what Paradise is like now?

3. In about 100 words, describe the present Paradise, starting with "Paradise is ... "