Revelation 21:5-8

Heaven: Who will be there?

Heaven and hell are filled with people who showed their eternal desires in this life.

1. Heaven is filled with:

a. those ______ by God alone (v.6)

Matthew 5:6 » Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Psalm 42:1-2 » As the deer pants for the water brooks, so my soul pants for You, O God. ² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God; when shall I come and appear before God?

John 4:14 » but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.

b. those who ______ the world (v.7a)

Revelation 2:7, 2:11, 2:17, 2:26, 3:5, 3:12, 3:21, 21:7

1 John 5:4-5 » For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵ Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

c. those by God (v.7b)

2 Corinthians 6:18 » And I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to Me," says the Lord Almighty.

2. Heaven is absent of: (v.8)

a. those who _____ God

Matthew 10:33 » But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.

b. those who ______ sin

- **Titus 1:16** » They profess to know God, but by *their* deeds they deny *Him*, being detestable and disobedient and worthless for any good deed.
- **Matthew 5:21–22** » You have heard that the ancients were told, 'YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER' and 'Whoever commits murder shall be liable to the court.' ²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever says to his brother, 'You good-for-nothing,' shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever says, 'You fool,' shall be guilty *enough to go* into the fiery hell.
- **Hebrews 13:4** » Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage* bed *is to be* undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

c. those who _____ other gods

- Matthew 13:40-43 » So just as the tares are gathered up and burned with fire, so shall it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send forth His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all stumbling blocks, and those who commit lawlessness, ⁴² and will throw them into the furnace of fire; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE FORTH AS THE SUN in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.
- Matthew 25:41 » Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;

These twin truths about heaven and hell should lead you to:

- 1. Concern for your _____
- 2. _____ for His mercy
- 3. _____ in your witness

Matthew 7:13-14 » Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. ¹⁴ For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.