

## **Heaven Revealed** Selected Verses

### **I. REALITY: Heaven is a Real Place**

#### **A. Characteristics: Biblical Revelation**

1. Worship/Praise (Isaiah 6:1-3; Revelation 4-5)
2. Light (1 Timothy 6:15-16; 1 John 1:5)
3. Joy/Pleasures (Psalm 16:11; Luke 15:7,10)
4. Angels/Saints (Matthew 18:10; Mark 12:25)
5. Throne (Psalm 11:4; 45:6; Hebrews 4:14-16)
6. Paradise (Luke 23:43; 2 Corinthians 12:2-4)

#### **B. Challenges: Unbiblical Propositions**

1. Skepticism: Claims heaven does not exist.
2. Universalism: Claims everyone will go to heaven.
3. Perversion: Claims sin will be in heaven.

### **II. REASON: Heaven has a Specific Purpose**

#### **A. Sovereignty: God rules over all**

1. Abode: "the LORD's throne is in heaven" (Psalm 11:4)
2. Authority: "...it is Heaven that rules." (Daniel 4:26)

#### **B. Sanctuary: God receives believers**

1. Immediate: "today...with Me in Paradise" (Luke 23:43)
2. Immaterial: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" (Acts 7:59)

### **III. RESULT: Heaven will Never Disappear**

#### **A. God: "eternal reign/forever and ever"**

(Luke 22:69; Ephesians 1:20; Hebrews 1:8-12; 1 Peter 3:22)

#### **B. Believers: "eternal rewards/glory/joy"**

(Psalm 16:11; Daniel 12:3; Matthew 6:19-20; 25:23)

*Next Week: "When Is It OK to Lie?" (Devin Harris)*

*Read: Joshua 2:4-7; Exodus 1:15-21; 20:16; Proverbs 6:16-19; 12:22*