

**TODAY'S MESSAGE:**

**HEAVEN: NOT IF, ←  
→ BUT WHEN!**

**1 PETER 1:3-9**

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<sup>3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials.

<sup>7</sup> These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith, of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire, may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.





**ANTICIPATION!**

**CHRISTIANS LOOK  
FORWARD TO  
HEAVEN!**

People have a great interest  
in Heaven!







**THERE IS A  
HEAVEN  
&  
HELL!**

# How can we know Heaven is real?

.... into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you... 1 Peter 1:4

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.” John 14:1-4

# What will Heaven be like?

Therefore, “they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ‘Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,’ nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; ‘he will lead them to springs of living water.’ ‘And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

**Revelation 7:15-17**



The wolf will live with the lamb,  
the leopard will lie down with the goat,  
the calf and the lion and the yearling  
together; and a little child will lead them.

The cow will feed with the bear,  
their young will lie down together,  
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

Isaiah 11:6-7

***“In all this you greatly rejoice!”***

1 Peter 1:6

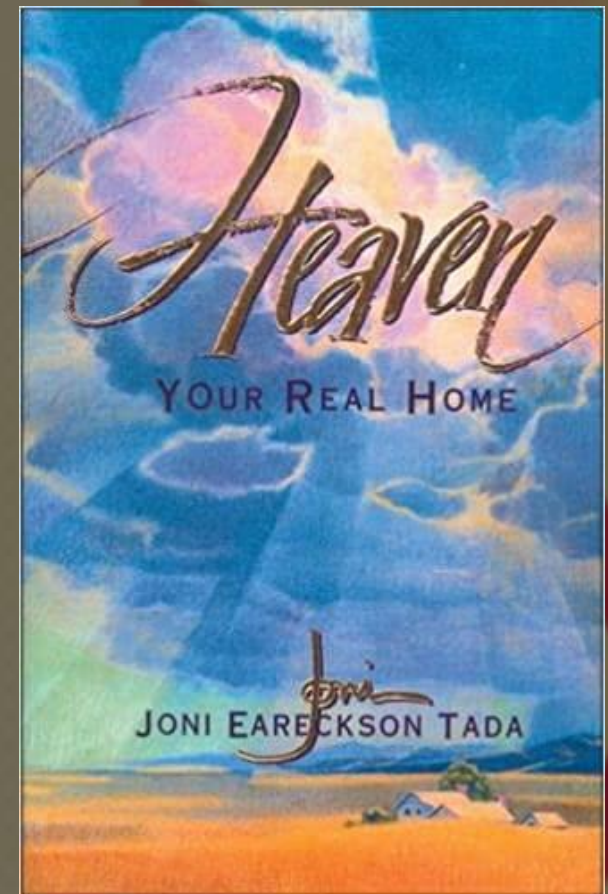
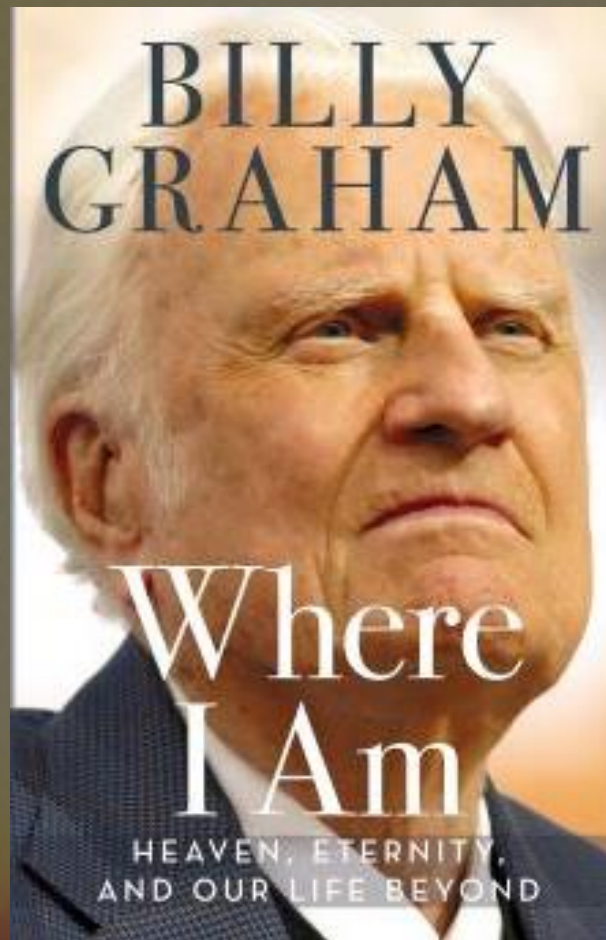
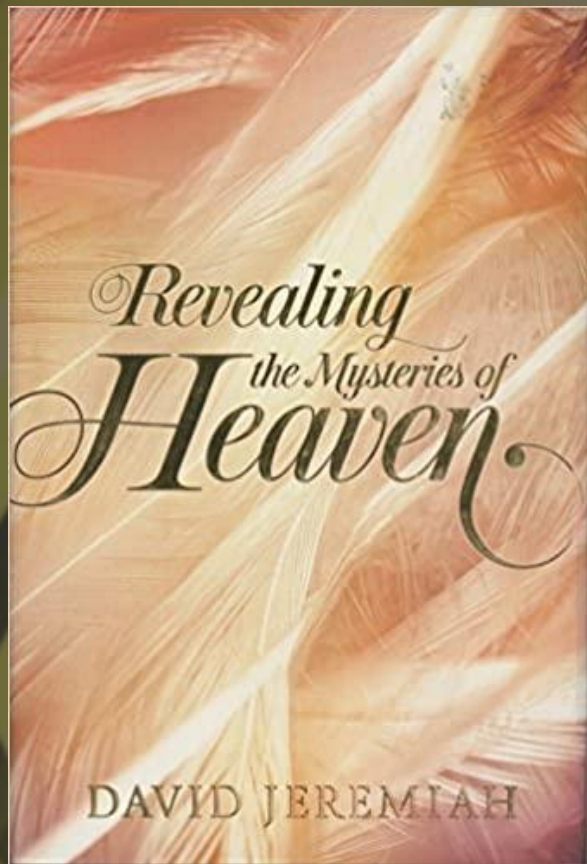
# What will we do in Heaven?

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. Rev. 5:11

No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. Rev. 22:3

“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’ Matthew 25:23





# What should we be doing now?

*Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

1 Peter 1:8-9



Because of Jesus in us...  
It's not if, but when!

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes  
has eternal life.” John 6:47*

*“Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does  
not have the Son of God does not have life.  
I write these things to you who believe in the  
name of the Son of God so that you may know  
that you have eternal life.” 1 John 5:12-13*

# Revelation 21:3-4

*And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.'"*