

An Eternal Encounter Message 10

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Outline

I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. ... **Revelation 20:12 (NLT)**

An encounter with Jesus in eternity will include... (Revelation 20:11-21:7)

1. Enduring______.

(Revelation 20:11-15. C/R: Daniel 7:9-10; 12:1-4; John 5:25-29; Romans 2:5-8,16) 2. Experiencing a new ______. (Revelation 21:1-2. C/R: Psalm 102:25-26; Isaiah 65:17; Hebrews 12:22-23; 2 Peter 3:10-13)

3. Existing in God's _____. (Revelation 21:3-7. C/R: Psalm 16:10-11; John 14:2-3; Romans 8:23; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

Answers: 1. judgment 2. environment 3. presence

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Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/adults</u>.

Conversation Starter

What's one of the most beautiful things you've ever seen?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read <u>Revelation 20:11-21:7</u>.

- 1. John saw a great white throne. When you think of a large throne, what thoughts come to mind?
- 2. Why does God judge?
- 3. On what basis will people be judged? (See also <u>1 Corinthians 3:13-15</u>).
- 4. How do you respond to the idea that God knows everything?
- 5. In what way will you have to give an account of your life?
- 6. How do thoughts about God's judgment impact your relationship with Him?
- 7. What are specific ways your heart aches for the restoration of all things?
- 8. Do you usually look for hope in current circumstances or in thoughts about heaven?

9. How does the reality of heaven impact your life right now?

10. What do you imagine it'll be like to live fully in God's presence?

- 11. How often do you experience a deep longing for God as described in <u>Psalm 42:1-2</u>?
- 12. What are specific ways this week's lesson will change the way you think and live?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is like training for the soul. If you build these into your everyday life, you're sure to strengthen your relationship with God.

Our hope comes from salvation in Jesus and the promise of heaven, not in current circumstances. Read <u>Romans 15:13</u> every day this week, and ask God to fill you with hope.

Memory Verse

And remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of Him during your time as "foreigners in the land." <u>1 Peter 1:17 (NLT)</u>

Daily Reading

Day 1: Daniel 7:9-10	Day 4: <u>2 Peter 3:8-13</u>
Day 2: <u>John 5:25-30</u>	Day 5: <u>1 Thessalonians 4:16-18</u>
Day 3: Psalm 102:25-28	

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, September 12, we'll look at the Brookwood Church mission and purpose. To prepare, read <u>Matthew 22:37-40</u>, and pray that we'll all grow in loving God and loving people.



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