



LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

SERIES:

Unshakeables

MESSAGE TITLE:

Eternity

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07/21/2024

MESSAGE SUMMARY:

Pastor Matt's sermon "Heaven and Hell" discusses the eternal nature of all people and the separation based on belief in Jesus. He dives into the judgments of the great white throne and the Bema seat, highlighting the consequences for believers and non-believers. The sermon explores hell as a place of torment and heaven as a perfect destination, stressing the importance of choosing Jesus for eternal life. Pastor Matt urges listeners to accept Jesus to secure a place in heaven, emphasizing the brevity of life and the need for a personal relationship with God.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1.) How does the idea of eternity, as explained in the sermon, affect your understanding of the importance of choosing to follow Jesus?

In the sermon, Pastor Matt talks about how everyone has been created to exist forever, and that Jesus will return to determine our eternal destinies..

What steps can you personally take to strengthen your commitment to follow Jesus and secure your eternal future?

2.) Based on Matthew 25, how would you describe the significance of our decisions and actions in determining our eternal rewards or punishments?

Matt mentions a passage in Matthew 25, where Jesus talks about how some people will experience eternal punishment and others eternal life, emphasizing the commonality of eternity for all people.

How can you make more intentional decisions that align with God's will and positively impact your eternal future?

3.) What are some of the benefits and promises of heaven that Pastor Matt highlights in the sermon?

In the sermon, Pastor Matt talks about being recognized in heaven, seeing God face to face, having new and perfect bodies, and experiencing the absence of pain, sorrow, and evil.

How do these promises of heaven bring you hope and inspire you to live a life that is pleasing to God?



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- 4.) What are some of the differences between the great white throne judgment and the Bema seat judgment?

During the sermon, Pastor Matt mentions that the great white throne judgment is for those who have not accepted Jesus and still have sin, while the Bema seat judgment is for believers who will give an account of how they used their gifts, talents, and resources.

How can you use your gifts, talents, and resources to serve God and other people in your daily life?

- 5.) How does the sermon's description of heaven and hell affect your perspective on the importance of sharing the gospel with others?

Pastor Matt discusses the stark differences between hell, a place of torment and separation from God, and heaven, an unimaginable, perfect place where all good is present.

What are some practical ways you can share the gospel with others and encourage them to accept Jesus as their savior?