



"I Can Only Imagine"

Heavenly Thoughts for the New Year

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 am
Scripture Reading: Heb 11: 13-16, Rev 4 -5

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INTRO.

- A. We are to "Set our **a**_____ on things above" (Col 3:2).
- B. "Heaven is a prepared place for a **p**_____ people."

I. LESSONS FROM THE THRONE SCENE (Rev 4 - 5).

- A. Heaven is a place of beauty, peace and security.
- B. God in heaven will wipe away every **t**_____ and provide comfort.
- C. It is a place of protection because God is there!
- D. "To be with Christ would be far **b**_____ " (Phil 1:23).
- E. "The former things will be passed away, all things are made new."
- F. It is a place where God dwells and therefore a place of **w**_____.

II. THE NATURE OF THE "LIVING HOPE" (I Peter 1: 3-6).

- A. Our hope is one that we can embrace without shame (Rm 5:5).
- B. It serves as the anchor of our **soul**, sure and steadfast (Heb 6:19).
- C. We ought to have confidence in what is reserved in heaven for us!

III. HEAVEN IS WONDERFUL, BUT DOES NOT COME EASY.

- A. To get there it requires diligence (2 Peter 1:10-11).
- B. It is a lifelong quest that is worth the **e**_____.
- C. Must be willing to add the Christian graces (2 Peter 1:5-9).

CONCLUSION:

- A. Heaven is a **choice** and not just a **chance**.
- B. If we get there we must be willing to do what most others are not **w**_____ to do! Choose the narrow gate (Matt 7: 13-14).
- C. May we all resolve in 2015 to keep our eyes on **J**_____, stay focused on our **d**_____ of heaven, and be diligent to make our calling and election sure (Heb 12: 1-2, 2 Peter 1:10).

NOTES:

SCRAMBLED ANSWERS:

dream	better
worship	tear
prepared	affections
willing	Jesus
effort	