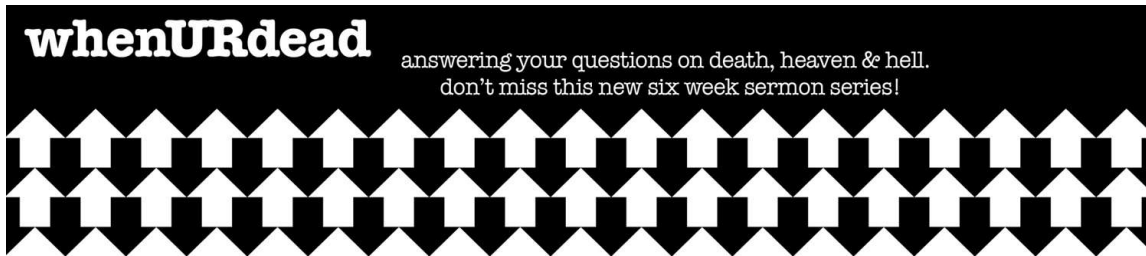


Bible Study for Life Groups to use as follow-up to this weeks sermon.



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Describe one place on earth that you have visited that reminded you the most of what you think heaven would be like. Where was it and what made it like heaven to you?

### John 14:1-3

- 1) What is the context of these verses? Why is Jesus telling them to “not let their hearts be troubled” and “to trust in God and also in me?”

Where is Jesus going and what is He promising to do?

How does this promise give the disciples and those suffering today hope?

- 2) Is heaven a real place? What words can you use to describe heaven based on the following scriptures:  
John 14:2                      Hebrews 11:16                      Revelation 21:10,11

What are the dimensions of the Holy City and the walls? Revelation 21:16,17. What geographical area did Pastor Welsh compare this too? What illuminates this city? Revelation 21:23

Why do you think God gave us such specific descriptions of heaven?

- 1) For believers, Heaven is our true home. Do we live as “aliens and strangers on earth...longing for a better country — a heavenly one” as Hebrews 11:13-16 states?

How often do you think of heaven? Do you long for heaven?

### APPLICATION:

- Read Revelation 21. Make a list of how heaven is described or if you are an artist try to draw a picture of what is described and share it with your group next week. If you have children, include them in this project.
- What can you intentional do this week to put your focus on heaven and eternal matters versus the temporal? How would this change your perspective on life?

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