



Imagine Heaven, Pt. 1: Out Of This World

Most people want Heaven to be real but struggle to imagine what it will be like. And if Heaven is real, does it have a place for me? It's a human question because there's a human longing to know — what happens when I die? How you think about Heaven should affect everything in your life.

Bottom Line: Heaven is real and you have a choice.

Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think that many people have a better plan for their next vacation than for eternity? How might a better understanding of Heaven change the way you live on earth?
2. What do you imagine heaven will be like? What has inspired/shaped your understanding? Are you intrigued by reports of near death experiences? Explain.
3. From what you've heard so far, did anything stand out to you about the stories (or common elements) of people who have had an NDE? Do you know anyone who has had an NDE? How does their story compare?
4. Read **Acts 14:19**, **2 Corinthians 11:23-26**, and **2 Corinthians 12:2-4**. One of the common elements of an NDE is an "out of body" into a "new body" experience. Is it possible that Paul is speaking about his own NDE?
5. Read **1 Corinthians 15:42-44**. It seems that the Bible suggests that when you die, you leave this body behind, but you are still you — in a new spiritual body. What aspects of "you" would you gladly leave behind? What parts do you desire to hold onto?
6. Read **1 Timothy 6:19**. After hearing the message from Sunday, what new meaning does this verse take on for you?
7. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?

Read pages 11-66 in *Imagine Heaven* this week.

*If time doesn't allow for you to discuss all of these questions, use only the ones you feel would be most helpful for your group.