



Touching Heaven, Overcoming Earth (3)
By Pastor Jim Master

Notes

<p>No. 1 Heaven is a place!</p>	
<p>John 14:1-3, Jesus said, “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. <u>In My Father’s house are many mansions</u>; if it were not so, I would have told you. <u>I go to prepare a place for you</u>. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also”</p>	
<p>The Greek word used in John 14:3 is <i>topos</i>, which strictly refers to a place that can be located—a real place.</p>	
<p>“From the place of His dwelling He looks on all the inhabitants of the earth” (Psalm 33:14)</p>	
<p>The Great Evangelist, Billy Graham, wrote, “Heaven is the place where God dwells—it is God’s holy habitation. He created it, He lives there, and, some day, so shall all believers Heaven is a literal place.</p>	
<p>God created Heaven with its vast array of authentic characteristics (Genesis 2:1)</p>	



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<p>Number 2. Heaven is sometimes described as a country?</p>	
<p>John 14, Jesus referred to heaven as <i>“My Father’s house.”</i></p>	
<p>Number 3. Where is this place?</p>	
<p>Colossians 1:16 New International Version - UK ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.</p>	
<p>Mark 6:41 New International Version - UK ⁴¹ Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all.</p>	
<p>Jesus prays to be glorified. ¹⁷ After Jesus said this, he looked towards heaven and prayed: ‘Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.</p>	



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<p><u>Luke 24:50-51</u> “Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven”</p>	
<p>Acts 1:9 “He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight”</p>	
<p>Acts 1:11 “This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven”.</p>	
<p>Ephesians 4:10 (KJV) “He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.”</p>	
<p>John 3:13 (NKJV) “No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven”</p>	



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<p>Matthew 28:2 (NKJV)</p> <p>“behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven</p>	
<p>Psalms 14:2 (NKJV)</p> <p>“The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men.”</p>	
<p>Heaven is a precious place.</p> <p>Hebrews 9:24 (NKJV) “For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us.”</p>	
<p>1 Peter 1:8 (NKJV)</p> <p>“whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory”.</p>	
<p>Acts 7:56 (NKJV)</p> <p>“Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!”</p>	
<p>Revelation 1:12-18</p> <p>“One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, ‘Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen”.</p>	



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<p>Number 5. Our Relationships are in Heaven.</p>	
<p>1 Thessalonians 4:17(NKJV) “And thus we shall always be with the Lord.”</p>	
<p>1 Peter 1:3-4 (NKJV) “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you”.</p>	
<p>Ephesians 1:11 “In Him also we have obtained an inheritance”.</p>	
<p>Colossians 1:12 (NKJV) “giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.”</p>	
<p>Hebrews 9:15 we are called in Christ to “<i>receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.</i>”</p>	



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No. 7. Our Residence is in Heaven.	
Philippians 3:20 (NKJV) <i>“For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.”</i>	
No. 8. Our Reward is in Heaven	
Matthew 5:12 “Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you”.	
No. 9. Our Riches are in Heaven.	



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<p>Matthew 6:19-21 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”</p>	
<p>No.10. Our Reservation is in Heaven.</p>	
<p><i>Peter said we have “an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you” (1 Peter 1:4)</i></p>	
<p>Revelation 21:27(NKJV) “But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s Book of Life.”</p>	



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<p>Luke 10:20 “Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”</p>	
<p>Is your name written in Heaven? Do you have a reservation there?</p>	