

WELCOME
WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

WELCOME TO CEC..... Robbie Matthews
SINGING TOGETHER To God be the glory
PRAYER

These are the days of Elijah
UPDATES Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER There is a Day
BIBLE READING 1 Corinthians 15:35-58 (Church Bible page 1208)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
COMMUNION There is a Redeemer
When we all get to heaven
Endless Hallelujah

DEATH
WHERE IS YOUR
STING?

Death, where is your sting? ~6
What will we experience in heaven?
1 Corinthians 15:35-58

'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?' 1 Corinthians 15:55 NIV

1. We will experience eternal _____.

'Our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.' Romans 13:11 NIV

'For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.'
Romans 6:23 NIV

'Count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.' Romans 6:11 NIV

'And even we Christians, although we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, also groan to be released from pain and suffering. We, too, wait anxiously for that day when God will give us our full rights as his children, including the new bodies he has promised us.' Romans 8:23 NLT

'We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.' 2 Corinthians 5:8 NIV

'I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far.' Philippians 1:23 NIV

'But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect.' Hebrews 12:22-23 NIV

'Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.' Revelation 21:27 NIV

2. We will experience unending _____.

'The man who had received the five talents brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.' His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' Matthew 25:20-21 NIV

'And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' Matthew 25:30 NIV

3. We will experience a new _____.

'Don't be so surprised! Indeed, the time is coming when all the dead in their graves will hear the voice of God's Son, and they will rise again. Those who have done good will rise to eternal life, and those who have continued in evil will rise to judgment.'

John 5:28-29 NLT

'Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling.'

2 Corinthians 5:2 NIV

'And now, brothers and sisters, I want you to know what will happen to the Christians who have died so you will not be full of sorrow like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus comes, God will bring back with Jesus all the Christians who have died. I can tell you this directly from the Lord: We who are still living when the Lord returns will not rise to meet him ahead of those who are in their graves. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the call of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, all the Christians who have died will rise from their graves.

Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air and remain with him forever.'

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 NLT

'For we know that when this tent we live in—our body here on earth—is torn down, God will have a house in heaven for us to live in, a home he himself has made, which will last forever.' 2 Corinthians 5:1 TEV

'But someone may ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?" How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body.' 1 Corinthians 15:35-38 NIV

'I tell you the truth, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.' John 12:24 NIV

'All flesh is not the same: Men have one kind of flesh, animals have another, birds another and fish another. There are also heavenly bodies and there are earthly bodies; but the splendour of the heavenly bodies is one kind, and the splendour of the earthly bodies is another. The sun has one kind of splendour, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendour. So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; it is sown in

dishonour, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.' 1 Corinthians 15:39-44 NIV

4. We will be like _____.

'The Scriptures tell us, "The first man, Adam, became a living person." But the last Adam—that is, Christ—is a life-giving Spirit. What came first was the natural body, then the spiritual body comes later. Adam, the first man, was made from the dust of the earth, while Christ, the second man, came from heaven. Every human being has an earthly body just like Adam's, but our heavenly bodies will be just like Christ's. Just as we are now like Adam, the man of the earth, so we will someday be like Christ, the man from heaven.' 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 NLT

'He will take these weak mortal bodies of ours and change them into glorious bodies like his own.' Philippians 3:21 NLT

'Even so, come Lord Jesus.' Revelation 22:20 KJV



1. What is the purpose of salvation?

2. What is the longing a believer has in Romans 8:23?

3. Read 2 Corinthians 5:8 and Philippians 1:23.

Why can a believer say this?

4. Explain what Revelation 21:27 teaches about heaven.

5. Describe the perfections of heaven.

6. The dominant characteristic of heaven is joy, (Matthew 25:20-21). How would you explain it?

7. How can we accurately define heaven in its simplest terms?

8. Read John 5:28-29. How does this show that the bodies of believers and unbelievers will be resurrected?

9. Explain the ways Paul illustrates the distinctiveness and characteristics of our resurrected perfect bodies in 2 Corinthians 5:1, 1 Corinthians 15:35-44

10. Explain 1 Corinthians 15:44-49.

11. What is the best picture of what we will be like in heaven? Can you say Revelation 22:20?