

**\*\* (Note: All Bible Quotes Are Taken From The Original King James Version)**

### **Subject: You Must Have A Good Record In Heaven To Get In:**

You have to do more than talk about heaven to get there. Talking about heaven is good when your conduct is heavenly. If everybody went to heaven that talked about it, then heaven would be just like some of the churches on earth. There is a lot of talk in churches about heaven, but very little heavenly conduct is coming out of some churches. The sinful and criminal acts that we see in society are the result of the conduct that church folk produce.

Most everybody who goes to prison belongs to some church denomination. God will not have the same kind of people on earth that cause trouble to enter the kingdom of heaven. In order to qualify to go to heaven, you must prove your qualifications while you are living on the earth. God will then keep a record of your good conduct in heaven that will permit you to enter heaven. Listen to Job 16:19:

Verse 19 - Also now, behold my witness is in heaven and my record is on high.

### **Subject: Only The Pure In Heart Will Get Eternal Life:**

You have to be absolutely true to God to receive eternal life. In the beginning, God put the forbidden tree in the Garden of Eden to test man's fidelity. If you are saved, God will suffer you to be tested. God desires for man to live forever, but He will allow man to prove himself to be worthy of eternal life by means of a test. It must be man's will to be true to God.

It is the devil who will work on man's fidelity. When the devil was in the secret council with God when God agreed to create man, he set out to lead man wrong to bring man into condemnation and thereby interfere with God's plan to give man eternal life. The devil presently rules the earth as prince of the air, and he is continuously fooling the people of the earth through sinful pleasures, causing them not to get eternal life.

## **Subject: You Must Be Holy To Be A Part Of The First Resurrection:**

God does not force anybody to be holy if they do not want to be holy. However, if you hope to get up in the first resurrection, you must live a holy life while you are in this present world. The Bible teaches that only those who are holy will have part in the first resurrection. Listen to Revelations 20:6:

Verse 6 - Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: ...

The scriptures declare that Jesus shall return to the earth “with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first”. This means those who were saved and have passed on and are presently resting in Christ shall get up to meet Christ first, and those who are saved and are alive shall be caught up afterward to meet with Christ to be taken together to see God (I Thessalonians 4:13-17).

Though the saved people who died in Christ experienced the first death, it was not a death of terror, but a peaceful rest in paradise. Such people will not experience the second death as the unsaved will experience. Now you have to be born again and joined to God by the Holy Spirit while you live in this present world to escape the second death. The second death is serious business; it means that you will be eternally separated from God to experience eternal torment in a lake of fire.

When you are born again, you are born of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is what gives you a holy life to live in this present world. To live a holy life means to live free from sinful practices, such as adultery, fornication, homosexuality, liquor drinking, lying, stealing, hating, envying, being malicious, and using words of profanity and strife. Such ways of living are unholy. When you are filled with the Holy Spirit, you will produce the fruit of the Spirit in your life, such as love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faith, longsuffering, temperance, meekness and forbearance. This will qualify you to be a part of the first resurrection.

## **Subject: In Christ You Do Not Die:**

God has always had interest in His creation. Prior to Adam’s fall, God came down and talked to Adam in the Garden of Eden on a daily basis. After Adam’s fall, God put angels at the gate of the Garden of Eden to keep Adam from the tree of life,

so he could not eat of that tree and live forever in sin, because when a man is in sin, he grows worse. Unless there is some redeeming power to deliver man from sin, he will continue to get worse and eventually die.

After a period of time as God observed the sad condition that sin had brought upon man, God's love moved Him to work out a plan for man to be redeemed from sin. Today, if a man or woman accepts Jesus Christ, and is saved, he or she doesn't die; he or she simply falls asleep in Christ. The scripture declares that those who are saved shall live again with Christ in I Thessalonians 4:16:

Verse 16 - For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven  
with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and  
with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall  
rise first.

If you serve God properly, the Lord will bless you to live again in spite of Adam's sin.