



INTRODUCTION:

One unforgettable moment in my life occurred during world War II when as a soldier with the Fifth Army I found myself in a foxhole on Anzio beach-head in Italy. To the rear of us was the Mediterranean Sea. In front of us was the German front line. Our Navy was shelling the enemy with shells whistling overhead and the enemy responding with big guns. In the midst of it all a godly Chaplain inched his way to where several of us had dug deep for protection. He hopped into the hole with us to share encouraging words about a place called heaven. He was a rarity, for it was the only time in my 42 months in the Army with 37 months of overseas service that I ever hear a truly born again Chaplain. I was a young believer then, and the message made a great impact on me. May this brief outline form encourage your heart. It will mean more to you if you OPEN YOUR BIBLE and check it out for yourself. Entrance in heaven is gained by:

LEAVING:

- Leaving your pre-conceived ways about heaven and accepting God's way – John 14:6, Prov. 16:25.
- Leaving this life as a Christian either by death (2 Cor. 5:8) or by the Rapture when the Lord comes in the air to lift all believers unto Himself – 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Titus 2:13.
- Leaving this earth and going UP to a place in the Scriptures described as a PLACE somewhere up in the North – Isaiah 14:13; Psalm 75:6; Job 26:7.
 - People up there are

WALKING:

- People up there are walking about in bodily form very much alive and not in a period of soul-sleep – Luke 16:19-31; Luke 24:36-43; 1 John 3:1-2.
 - They are also

TALKING:

- Talking clean, pure, enjoyable conversation, for all up there are like HIM and so shall we be in our glorified bodies – Matthew 17:3; Luke 16:19-31.
 - Believers already there are

ENJOYING:

- Enjoying a literal *place*. See John 14:2. A place of mansions. God doesn't deal with Efficiency (Deficiency) apartments. It's going to be FIRST CLASS.
- Enjoying His presence – seeing HIM face to face – Revelation 22:4. We'll see Him as He is, and not as some artist depicted Him – 1 John 3:2.
- Enjoying a place free from sin, sickness, and sorrow. No more violence, no corruption – See Revelation 21:3, 4.
 - God's own up there have the ability of

RECOGNIZING:

- Recognizing all who are up there with our Lord right now. They know everyone who is there because God has given them the ability to do so – Matthew 17:1-3. Peter, James and John heard Moses and Elijah who had died hundreds of years before, talking with the Lord and they recognized them. Names were retained.
 - Up there is

REJOICING:

- Rejoicing in heaven every day whenever a sinner down here responds to the Gospel and receives Christ as Savior – Luke 15:10
 - Up there is

SERVING:

- Serving under perfect government because our Lord is in charge. There will be no strikes up there. No transportation shut-down. No corruption. We will not be serving Democrats or Republicans. We will be serving the Lord – Revelation 22:3
-- And believe it or not, up there is

EATING:

- Eating God's food, not Junk food. You'll never end up with indigestion. No fast food stores up there. God has set up this unbelievable diet – See it in Revelation 22:1, 2 to see a literal tree in a literal place because God said it – Numbers 23:19. Our Lord ate after His resurrection (Luke 24:41-42) and so will we in our resurrection bodies, for we shall be like HIM – 1 John 3:2.
-- There will also be a time of

PRAISING:

- Learn to praise Him now (Psalm 150:6) to get ready for that day when we shall see Him face to face and praise Him throughout the endless ages of eternity – Revelation 7:9-12 and Revelation 19:1. I have often said that Psalm 118:24, which reads: *“This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it,”* might need to be changed because of ungrateful Saints to read: *“This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will moan and groan and crab our way through it.”*
-- Believers up in heaven are

BEHOLDING:

- Beholding our earthly scene. How much God allows them to see, we don't know. Perhaps they are only allowed to see when a loved one down here receives Christ as Savior – Luke 15:10. See the great cloud of witnesses in Hebrews 12:1. Some of those witnesses are mentioned in name in Hebrews 11. Heaven is only for sinners. Those who while down here on earth, acknowledged that they were sinful and received Him as Savior. Have you? If not, will you repeat the following to God?

“I hereby acknowledge myself as a sinner, dear God, and believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for my sins, was buried for me, and rose the third day for me. I ask Him here and now to save me from sin.”

Signed _____

Address _____

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Let us know if you signed the above statement, as we will then send you free helpful literature. Yes, heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people. Your earthly decision determines your destiny. What do you need to do to be lost? NOTHING! What must you do to be saved and to be ready for heaven? The answer is to RECEIVE Christ as your Savior through a call to Him.

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