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John 12:17–18 (NLT)

Nicene creed: “I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.”

John 14:1 (NLT)**John 14:2–5 (NLT)****Acts 1:9–11 (NLT)****1 Corinthians 15:23, 35, 42–44, 51–55 (NLT)****Old Roman Creed**

I believe in God the Father almighty; and in Christ Jesus His only Son, our Lord,
 Who was born from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
 Who under Pontius Pilate was crucified and buried,
 on the third day rose again from the dead,
 ascended to heaven,
 sits at the right hand of the Father,
 whence He will come to judge the living and the dead,
 and in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Church,
 the remission of sins,
the resurrection of the flesh
(the life everlasting).

Christians started asking questions:

- What happens to me between the time I die and when my body is resurrected?

Acts 7:55–56 (NLT)

- When will the resurrection be?

1 Thessalonians 4:16 (NIV)

- What will my resurrected body be like?

1 Corinthians 15:53 (NLT)

- What about a child that died?

Isaiah 11:6–9 (NLT)

- Will there be Starbucks in heaven?

- Will there be sex in heaven?
- Will we be married in heaven? Which wife?

Mark 12:25 (NLT)

- Will there be pets in heaven?

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN LIGHT OF WHAT I KNOW?**1. MAKE SURE I'M READY**

Not everyone who says to me, “Lord, Lord,” will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 7:21 (NIV)

Jesus told her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die. Do you believe this, Martha?”

John 11:25–26 (NLT)**2. LET HEAVEN FILL YOUR THOUGHTS TODAY**

*Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits at God's right hand in the place of honor and power. **Let heaven fill your thoughts.** Do not think only about things down here on earth. For you died when Christ died, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God.*

Colossians 3:1–3 (NLT)**3. LIVE EVERYDAY IN LIGHT OF ETERNITY**

CT Studd – “Only one life, ‘twill soon be past; only what's done for Christ will last.”

...store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19–21 (NIV)