

Loving our Neighbors...

because Heaven is real

Focus: to help us grasp the wonder of heaven that comes from being in the presence of God and to call us to share it with our friends.

Here are two short, helpful articles on our topic:

<http://www.epm.org/resources/2002/Jun/1/heaven-our-certain-hope/>

<http://www.epm.org/resources/2010/Apr/16/pastors-and-heaven/>

Discussion:

- Read Revelation 21 and 22 aloud. Share insights about what "heaven" (aka the new heavens and new earth) will be like?
- What is most attractive to you about this description of heaven? How should that affect you? How can you keep these truths before you? How should it affect your doing evangelism?
- What questions do these verses raise about heaven?
- Spend time praying for those whom you long to share the hope of Christ's heaven with!

(OPTION: in addition to reading and sharing from Rev. 21-22, you could also discuss one of the Alcorn articles listed in the sidebar)

2016 Annual Priority:

To establish a greater devotion to believing and being shaped by the three great loves embedded in our mission statement's goal of becoming a mature and ministering worshiper of God; love for God, love for the church, and love of neighbor.

