

## We Were Made for Heaven Ecclesiastes 3:11

Most Christians think heaven is wonderful, but it doesn't beat the \_\_\_\_\_ existence we know right now  
How we react to thought of death is actually a clear indication of what we really think about \_\_\_\_\_  
Christians secretly feel this way because they hold \_\_\_\_\_ about heaven according to the Bible  
We think of earth as our \_\_\_\_\_ but God did not create us to live in this fallen, sinful world

### I. WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TEACH?

- A. We (Human Beings) Were Created to Live in \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1) God created male and female and placed them in the garden; that is when He said it was \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Adam and Eve \_\_\_\_\_ with God in the cool of the day: we were created to be in God's \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3) Since Adam sinned and we were excluded from paradise, we have lived in an \_\_\_\_\_ setting
- B. We (Human Beings) Were Created in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God
  - 1) The image of God in man includes the fact that we are \_\_\_\_\_ : we shall somewhere forever
  - 2) What is our 70-80 years on earth compared to the \_\_\_\_\_ of years we shall live in eternity?
- C. God Has Placed Eternity in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Man (Ecc. 3:1-11)
  - 1) Every experience in life is \_\_\_\_\_; in contrast, we wish some experiences lasted \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Many experiences in life raise the question in our hearts: How does this fit into \_\_\_\_\_ plan?

### II. WHAT DOES EXPERIENCE TEACH US?

- A. We Yearn for What Life \_\_\_\_\_ to Be
  - 1) When we think of what ought to be but never seems to happen, we really think about \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) C.S. Lewis: *"If I find in myself a desire that no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for \_\_\_\_\_."*
- B. We Yearn for What We Can Never \_\_\_\_\_ on Earth
- C. Even When We Get Everything We Want, It's Never \_\_\_\_\_  
*Win the lottery and you will discover the dirty little \_\_\_\_\_ of this fallen world: everything is not enough*
- D. Our Moments of Greatest Pleasure Last But a \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1) The greatest, most unforgettable pleasures in life last only a \_\_\_\_\_ and cannot be recaptured
  - 2) Something in all of us wishes that these experiences could last longer, could be \_\_\_\_\_
- E. The Law of Diminishing \_\_\_\_\_ Always Applies to Our Greatest Pleasures
- F. Our \_\_\_\_\_ Are Often but a Sad Testimony to This Truth  
*Addiction can result when human beings expect to find on earth what can be found only in \_\_\_\_\_*
  - 1) The fool gives himself up to seeking pleasure, becomes addicted and may turn \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Some "mature" and learn to \_\_\_\_\_ for the bits of pleasure life offers and expect no more
  - 3) The Christian embraces momentary pleasures as \_\_\_\_\_ that point to heaven and thanks God