

THERE IS MORE TO



LESSON FOUR: ETERNAL LIFE

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Introduction: What is life all about? People are often pondering the meaning of life. Have you ever wondered what we are doing here? What is our purpose here on this earth? There has got to be more to this life than we realize. For the past few weeks we've studied about life: natural life, carnal life, spiritual life, and today we close with eternal life. This is really what all of life is about. Natural life brought us here. Carnal life hinders our walk. Spiritual life gets us on the right path. And eternal life is what we seek! Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. The Personal Touch of Eternal Life

- A. Eternal life is revealed in the Scriptures (**John 5:39**).
- B. Eternal life is revealed by Jesus Christ (**John 6:68, II Timothy 1:10**).
- C. Eternal life is available in Jesus Christ (**John 10:10, I John 1:2, 5:20**).
- D. Eternal life is knowledge of Jesus Christ (**John 17:3**).
- E. Eternal life is attainable in Jesus Christ (**I Timothy 6:12, 19**).
- F. Eternal life is evidence of the mercy of God (**Jude 21, II Timothy 4:6-8**).

II. The Purpose of Eternal Life

- A. It is given in an answer to prayer (**Psalms 21:4**).
- B. It is given by God (**Psalms 133:3, Romans 6:23**).
- C. It is given to all who hate their own life (**Matthew 10:39, John 12:25**).
- D. It is given to all who believe in God (**John 3:16, 5:24**).
- E. It is given to all who believe in Christ (**John 3:15-16, 6:40-47**).
- F. It is given through Christ (**John 6:27-28, Romans 5:12, 6:23**).

III. The Profit of Eternal Life

- A. You can ignore self-righteous standards (**Mark 10:17**).
- B. You can drink the water of life (**John 4:14**) and eat the bread of life (**John 6:50-58**).
- C. You can be considered worthy of salvation (**Acts 13:46**).
- D. You can be spared from God's judgment (**Romans 2:7, 3:10-23**).
- E. You can avoid the fate of the wicked (**I John 3:15**).
- F. You can enjoy the tree of life (**Revelation 2:7**).

IV. The Pleasure of Eternal Life

- A. Saints of God will reign in eternal life (**Daniel 7:18, Romans 5:17**).
- B. Saints of God will be resurrected to eternal life (**Daniel 12:2, John 5:29**).
- C. Saints of God have the inheritance of eternal life (**Matthew 19:29**).
- D. Saints of God have an invitation to eternal life (**Matthew 25:46**).
- E. Saints of God are preserved for eternal life (**John 10:28-29**).
- F. Saints of God have the assurance of eternal life (**II Corinthians 5:1, I John 5:13**).
- G. Saints of God will reap the blessing of eternal life (**Galatians 6:8**).
- H. Saints of God have the promise of eternal life (**I Timothy 4:8, I John 2:25**).
- I. Saints of God have the hope of eternal life (**Titus 1:2, 3:7**).

Conclusion: God has a plan for your life! We need to learn more about life God set in motion for us. We should avoid carnal living and pursue a deep spiritual life with God. When we recognize those things we are on a path to eternal life with God! God loves you and He wants you to learn your purpose here on earth. There is more to life!