

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) When the Bible uses the word "hope," it is not in relation to something we wish could happen. Rather, it is a certain reality that has not yet been realized (Hebrews 11:1).
- 2) *Ecclesiastes 3:11* People look for the eternity for which God created them, but they cannot find it on their own.
- 3) There are three heavens in the Bible:
 - Atmospheric heaven—the atmosphere around the earth, the air we breathe, our environment (Isaiah 55:9).
 - Terrestrial heaven—the planetary area around which the stars and all of the planets move (Genesis 1:14-17).
 - Holy Heaven—God's dwelling place; Jesus is there, along with the angels and all those redeemed who have gone before (Philippians 3:20; Luke 23:43).
- 4) Our God is a God of beauty. He lavishes His beauty on the city He is preparing for you.
- 5) *21:22* As long as there has been sin, there has been the need for a way to connect with God. In Heaven, there will never be a moment in which we are not in perfect relationship with God.
- 6) *21:23* The sun in comparison with the light of God is like turning on outdoor light bulb at high noon. God's blazing Shekinah glory will illuminate the city.
- 7) *21:25* Heaven is completely secure, a place of rest, safety, and refreshment.
- 8) *22:2* The Tree of Life, which was forfeited in the Garden of Eden and denied to succeeding generations, will be fully restored.
- 9) In Heaven we will eat, not out of necessity, but for enjoyment.
- 10) *21:12-13, 21* There is not one pearly gate; there are twelve.

- 11) *22:3* The most dramatic change from our present earth will be the removal of the curse—the end of sorrow, pain, and especially death.
- 12) *22:4* God's name on our foreheads stands as a seal, a proof of ownership.
- 13) Our entire hope of Heaven is wrapped up in what Jesus did when He died on the cross and rose again from the dead.

TODAY'S SONGS

"Multiplied" words and music by Bear Rinehart and Bo Rinehart
© 2013 Bear Lee Breathing Music | NeedToBreathe Music

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" words and music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman
© 2011 Thankyou Music | Said And Done Music | sixsteps Music | SHOUT! Music Publishing | worshiptogether.comsongs

"Nothing But the Blood" words and music by Robert Lowry
Public Domain

"I Will Look Up" words and music by Jason Ingram, Matt Redman, Wade Joye, Chris Brown, and Mack Brock
© 2013 Said And Done Music | sixsteps Music | Thankyou Music
| worshiptogether.com songs | Sony/ATV Timber Publishing | Sony/ATV Tree Publishing

"Heaven Song" words and music by Phil Wickham
© 2009 Seems Like Music | Phil Wickham Music