



Heaven - Bodies, Boredom, and Banquets

Revelations 19:6-9 / 1 Corinthians 2:9 & 15:35-54

1. Does the word party come to mind when you think of heaven? Why do you think that is?
2. Why do you think a wedding party was used to describe heaven instead of any other kind of celebration?
3. Have someone read Matthew 22:1-14 for the group. What do we learn about the host and the guests at this wedding party? Since this is a parable, what does it teach us about the Kingdom of God?
4. 1 Corinthians 2:9 tells us that the true experience in heaven will be far better than anything we can even imagine. Does that “beyond comprehension” element of heaven make it more or less real and exciting in your mind? What is the best thing you can imagine that does help you grasp how amazing heaven will be?
5. 1 Corinthians 15 tells us that the bodies we will have in heaven will be similar but quite different (like the difference between an acorn and an oak tree). Verse 49 tells us that our bodies will be similar to Jesus’ resurrected body. Look up these verses to see what we can learn about Jesus’ resurrected body:
 - Matthew 28:9
 - Luke 24:13-31
 - Luke 24:36-43
 - John 20:11-17
 - John 21:1-14
6. The last part of Pastor Mark’s message focused on how the realities of heaven should impact how we live our lives now. With that in mind, consider these questions:
 - Are you living with great anticipation of what it will be like in eternity with God?
 - Are you living with a passion to help as many people as possible to come to faith in Jesus so that they will be in eternity with God as well?

Whether you answered yes or no to these questions, pray together that God would increase your anticipation of eternity with Him as well as your passion to bring as many as possible to faith in Jesus. Consider memorizing 1 Corinthians 2:9 together as a way to build your excitement for all that God has planned for us in eternity.