Heaven – Its impact now!
II Peter 3; Matthew 6:19-21; Hebrews 12:28

PROPOSITION: A proper view of heaven has a profound effect on the way we live now.

I. Pure or holy lives
   II Peter 3
   A. Said negatively
      II Peter 3:11-12
   B. Said positively
      II Peter 3:13-14
   C. A proper view of heaven gives us greater power over sinfulness today.

II. Meaningful lives
    Matthew 6:19-21
    A. Challenge to over-emphasizing temporal stuff & achievement
    B. Unleash our desire to strive & achieve on the eternal
    C. A proper view of heaven prods us to be sacrificial with our time, talents & treasures

III. Bring God’s optimism into our lives
     Hebrews 12:28
     A. Biblical realism is optimistic
     B. Anticipating heaven doesn’t eliminate pain, it lessens it and puts it in perspective
        (Luke 6:22-23; I Peter 4:13; James 1:2)
     C. A proper view of heaven gives us greater optimism & joy today no matter

IV. Excited lives

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