



Introduction

? Do you think internal values or external rewards are more effective motivational factors in people's lives?

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? What should motivate Christians to serve Christ?

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1. The Extent of Jesus' Work (John 1:13; Revelation 21:1-2)

? What is the promise in John 1:12?

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? How is God able to justify someone and declare them not guilty when they are, in fact, guilty of sin?

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? What does Jesus' work on the cross have to do with His second coming and the promises that we read about in Revelation 21 (new heaven and new earth, effects of sin erased)?

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? Application: Have you examined yourself to be assured that you are saved (2 Corinthians 13:5; 2 Peter 1:10)? If so, and you have assurance that you are a Christian, how does it make you feel to know that you are kept by God's power?

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2. God's Dwelling with Man (John 1:10a, 11a; Revelation 21:3)

? Why is the incarnation so significant to the Christian faith?


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 What does Revelation 21:3 say? Is the promise of God dwelling among us a big deal? Why or why not?

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 Application: Does the idea of being in the presence of God give you a sense of relief or dread? Why?

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### 3. The Effects of Sin Banished (Revelation 21:4)

 What is heaven like according to this verse? What ideas have you picked up about heaven (biblical or not)?

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 Application: Is there any idea about heaven that you have that is inaccurate or unbiblical? Does it have a negative effect on your walk with Christ now?

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### Conclusion

 What is your understanding of the work of Jesus? Why did he come and what does it have to do with you?


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 What sorts of feelings does the nature of Christ's work cause in you? Do you feel worried, repentant? Sad? Angry? Why?

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 Do you have a deep longing to know and dwell with God? How is it possible that we might dwell with God? Do you look forward with joy and expectation toward eternity in heaven? Why or why not?

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### Daily Readings

- Monday - Revelation 21:5-8
- Tuesday - Revelation 21:9-27
- Wednesday - Revelation 22:1-5

- Thursday - Revelation 22:6-21
- Friday - 1 Peter 5:10
- Saturday - Hebrews 9:28