

WHAT JESUS SAYS...

about Eternity

John 8:51 – Very truly, I tell you, whoever obeys my word will never see death.

Many see Jesus as a Prophet but not as the Son of God or as God Himself. As such they see His power in a limited capacity and because they do not believe in Him and what He voluntarily did for us on the cross, they miss out on the greatest gift of all – eternal life with Jesus Christ. But what they fail to realize is that there is a coming judgment, and God is the judge. Judgment will come on those who do not honor Jesus because those who do not honor Jesus do not honor God. Those who reject and dishonor God will face judgment and with that judgment also comes death. But for anyone who keeps and obeys the gospel will never see death. When Jesus says you will not “see”, He means that you will never experience, gaze at, or glance at death as it passes by. But what death is He referring to. Jesus is not talking about a physical death, because even Jesus experienced a physical death on the cross. He’s talking about the second death, what Revelation 20 and 21 calls “the second death,” eternal death. When a believer dies, the Lord will pour out a massive dose of joy and peace and calm and when you awake, you’ll wake up in Heaven. You will not see death. But the real issue is the second death and when the time comes people will be judged for their attitude toward the gospel. If you believe the message of Jesus Christ, you will never see the second death, but if you do not believe in the message, you will end up eternally in the second death, and in that second death, you will face the wrath of God. Death for the unbeliever will result in final and eternal separation from God. We follow Christ and believe in Him so that we can escape Hell and death. Those who believe have overcome the world and will not be hurt by the second death. Therefore, our purpose in life should in some way be tied to sharing the gospel with others so that they too may be able to find freedom from death and have eternal life.

Do you believe you are an eternal being? Do you believe that you will live forever? Where will you live forever? The choice is yours... believe in Jesus... live for Jesus... then you know you will have eternal life in Heaven.