ASKING for a **FRIEND**

#1 What's Next?

John 3:1-21

Jesus told Nicodemus, "Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'" - John 3:7

For those who are born again, what comes next?

- 1. There are two KINDS OF PEOPLE and two eternal realms.
- "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." v.3
- "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." v.5
- 2. For the redeemed, **ETERNAL LIFE** awaits. Heaven, or as the Bible also calls it, "a new heaven and a new earth." "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." v.16

Three Questions

- 1. Reality Check: Tom & Jerry heaven or the real one?
- 2. What will heaven be like?
- 3. Are there answers to my questions?

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14

What Will Heaven Be Like?

- It will be A PLACE
- It will be a <u>BETTER</u> place
- It will be like a city, country, or **KINGDOM**
- It will be BREATHTAKING

Are There Answers To My Questions?

- Will we still have names in heaven? Also, will we know and recognize each other there. Yes.
- Will our bodies be different in heaven? Yes and no.
- Will there still be gender—maleness and femaleness? Probably.
- How old will we be in heaven? We're not told.
- Will we eat in heaven? Yes.
- Will we remember our lives on the earth? Yes.
- Will we become angels? No.
- Will there be any sin or disease in heaven? No.
- Will there be music, arts, and sports in heaven? Probably.
- Will we just sit around and play harps all the time? NO!
- Will we be able to be in several places at once? Probably not.
- Will there be animals in heaven? Apparently.
- Will there be sex in heaven? Probably not as we know it here.
- Will we be reunited with loved ones in heaven? It depends.

Resources For Further Exploration

- Heaven, Randy Alcorn
- <u>Things Unseen</u>, Mark Buchanan
- One Minute After You Die, Erwin Lutzer
- After: A Doctor Explores What Near-Death Experiences Reveal
 About Life and Beyond, Bruce Greyson M.D.

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