

Making Disciples Aflame for Christ

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Jesus said, "this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life" (John 6:40)

Eternal Life

Oswald Chambers (1874—1917) once said:
"Eternal Life is not A gift FROM God;
Eternal Life is THE gift OF God."



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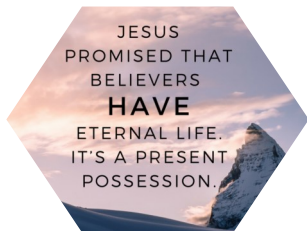
This is a stunning statement! **Eternal Life is THE gift OF God!!!** This would mean that Eternal Life is God's greatest gift to mankind! It is THE greatest gift! Furthermore, what Chambers is saying is that Eternal Life is God giving the gift OF HIMSELF to man!!!

So, Chambers' statement prompts the question: **WHAT IS ETERNAL LIFE? What is God's definition of Eternal Life?** That is the topic of the enclosed 31-day Scripture Study.

MANY people believe that the definition of Eternal Life is that when a person dies they go to heaven.

But, **is this God's definition of Eternal Life?** Of course, heaven is a wondrous gift that only God can give!

But, to whom does He give this gift? Does everyone who dies go to heaven? What does the Bible say?



Does Eternal Life only begin after a person dies? Or is it something a person can possess while still alive on this earth?

Chambers indicates in his statement that Eternal Life is the Gift of God Himself? What does this mean? How does God give Himself to a person?

We hope and pray that you will study through the Scriptures in the 31-day Study for answers to these questions.

The answers are in God's Word!!!

THE HEART OF THIS MINISTRY IS TO DISCIPLE PEOPLE THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES IN ORDER TO KNOW GOD & KNOWING WHAT GOD SAYS IN HIS WORD ABOUT ETERNAL LIFE IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE!

We know of so many families that have recently lost loved ones. Our own family recently experienced a tragic loss.

On May 11th, our beloved son-in-law, husband to Ray's oldest daughter Heather, lost his life in a horrific multi-vehicle accident in Tennessee. Jeff was traveling from his home in Georgia to his office in Nashville when a tractor trailer was driving recklessly on I-75 and failed to stop for slowed traffic. The semi hit the car directly behind Jeff. That car exploded and struck Jeff's vehicle. Jeff died at the scene. The car that struck Jeff saw the loss of a 23-year-old father and an 18-month-old boy. The wife and young daughter have terrible injuries. This little family had just come from the little girl's dance recital.



The pain of this loss has been terrible. Jeff was a WONDERFUL husband to Heather. He was also a FANTASTIC FATHER and provider for their four children. **For the last three years, Jeff would tune in every Friday on Zoom to have one-on-one Bible Study with Ray. We miss him!** People came from all over the country to pay their respects in memory of Jeff. He loved his family. He cared about people. He was an encourager. He lived life to the fullest. He is greatly missed by all who knew him.

This loss to our family, turns our hearts to the importance of knowing what God's Word says about Eternal Life!

Hence, the enclosed Scripture Study. We hope you will take time with God and search these Scriptures. And when you sit down with your open Bible, pray to God this prayer:

God in Heaven, Open my eyes that I may behold wonderful things from Your Word, especially about Eternal Life.

Teach me Your Word. Give me understanding that I may know You and keep Your Word with all my heart.



We write these things in the love of Christ,

Ray, Tressa and Gwen

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