

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are concluding our series on Growing in your relationship with God. Today's topic: A RELATIONSHIP THAT LASTS FOREVER.

**1) Hope for eternity**

- a. What word of hope is given to those who choose to experience a saving relationship with God through faith in Jesus? John 3:16
- b. Someone might say, "I don't want to live forever in a world filled with sin, sickness, and death!" How would you respond?
- c. What prophecy did the Apostle Peter give about our hope for eternity? 2 Peter 3:13
- d. According to the psalmist, what will that eternal life with God be like? Psalm 16:11

**2) A revelation of our eternal life with God**

- a. What revelation was given to the Apostle John about a new heavens and new earth? Revelation 21:1-5
- b. What additional revelation was given to the Apostle John about our eternal life with God? Revelation 22:1-5, 7:13-17
- c. What is your response to this revelation about our eternal life with God?
- d. In the light of our glorious destiny of spending eternity with God, why is the counsel the Apostle Paul to Christians in Colossae so relevant for our lives today? Colossians 3:2

**3) Names written in the Lamb's Book of Life**

- a. Tragically, the Apostle John was shown that those who reject a saving relationship with God in this life will not share in the joys of eternal life with God. Revelation 20:11-15, 21:7-8

- b. Someone might say, "I've committed some of those sins. Does that mean I'll be excluded from the joys of eternal life with God?" What word of hope did the Apostle Paul share in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11?
- c. The Book of Revelation speaks about names written in the Lamb's Book of Life (Revelation 21:27) When is a person's name written in the Lamb's Book of Life? John 10:10, 14:6, etc.
- d. When is the best time to accept the gift of salvation through faith in Jesus and have your name written in the Lamb's Book of Life? 2 Corinthians 6:1-2
- e. Who are some unlikely characters in the Bible whose names have been written in the Lamb's Book of Life? (the thief of the cross next to Jesus, the man set free from a legion of demons, Mary Magdalene, Saul of Tarsus, etc.)
- f. Is it ever too late to accept God's invitation to spend eternity with Him? Revelation 22:17, Hebrews 3:7-8

**4) Take away lessons**

- a. What important lessons have you learned from our study today and this entire series?

