

# Waiting for Glory

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## I. Knowing glory of Christ

**2 Cor 4:1** Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart... <sup>6</sup> For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts **to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

### A. Glorious person of Jesus Christ

### B. Glorious life of Jesus Christ

1. A life of love
2. A life of service
3. A life of forgiveness
4. A life of trust and obedience to the Father
5. A life of freedom
6. A life of joy
7. A life of victory

## II. Trusting the glory of Christ

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## A. Expression of trust

### 1. A transformed world

**2 Pet 3:10-13** But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. <sup>11</sup> Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup> waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! <sup>13</sup> **But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

**Rev 21:1-4** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

**Rev 21:23** And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

**Phil 3:18-21** For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup> Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, **with minds set on earthly things.** <sup>20</sup> **But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior,** the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> **who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.**

**Eph 1:18** having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, **that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,**

**Col 3:1-2** If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> **Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.**

**Mat 6:19-21** <sup>19</sup> "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but **lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,** where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> **For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**

### 2. Transformed body

**1 Cor 15:42-43** So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. <sup>43</sup> It is sown in dishonor; **it is raised in glory.** It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power.

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**Rom 8:20-24** For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as **we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.** <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved.

### 3. Transformed soul

**2 Cor 4:6** For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**2 Cor 4:16-18** So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, **our inner self is being renewed day by day.** <sup>17</sup> For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us **an eternal weight of glory** beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup> **as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen.** For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

**2 Cor 3:18** And we all, with unveiled face, **beholding the glory of the Lord,** are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

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### B. Foundation of trust

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