

# ETERNITY & BEYOND

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Genesis 2:7-25

*The Lord God formed a man....*

*the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden;*

*In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil...*

*A river watering the garden flowed from Eden...*

*The gold of that land is good; aromatic resin and onyx are there.*

*The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it...*

*The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.*

Revelation 21:19 - 22:3

*The foundations of the city walls were decorated with every kind of precious stone...*

*The great street of the city was of gold,*

*Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.*

*Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life.*

*On each side of the river stood the tree of life.*

*The leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.*

*His servants will serve him... they will reign for ever and ever.*

I was not created for this \_\_\_\_\_.

*I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world... 1 Peter 2:11 (NIV)*

*God has planted eternity in the hearts of men and women.*

Ecclesiastes

3:11

*Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling.*

2 Corinthians 5:2

The moment I become a follower of Christ, I enter \_\_\_\_\_.

The way I handle my spiritual responsibilities now shapes my \_\_\_\_\_ for eternity.

*Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!* Matthew 25:23

*All this took place (Jesus being born) to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means, "God with us").* Matthew 1:22-23

*This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same temptations we do, yet he did not sin.*

Hebrews 4:15-16 (NLT)

*Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place." John 18:36*

True \_\_\_\_\_ is found, not here and now, but with God in eternity.

*Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the tree so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.* 1 Peter 2:23-24 (NIV)

*\*All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted*