



## Fueled by Heaven

**Focus** God has given us “vehicles” that will carry us back to a renewed sense of our positions as children of God, including living with a focus on heaven and the hope produced within us because of knowing about heaven.

**Open** Name two places you’d like to visit sometime in your life. Why?

**Read** Hope is to anticipate (with pleasure) something better. Hope is not based on conjecture or fantasy, but upon knowledge of the truth. In Romans 8:18–28, Paul encourages believers to live life on earth with the hope of heaven clearly in focus. The Bible has a lot to say about heaven—not to threaten us with missing it, but to deepen the hopeful excitement God intends for it to produce within us.

Glory is the honor that results from a good opinion. In heaven, God’s glory, and who we are in Christ, will be fully revealed. Misery, suffering and sickness will be swallowed up in victory, and God’s children and all creation will live in the glorious freedom of Christ. God wants us to live each day on earth focused on this hope, understanding that He currently sees us as the beautiful, sanctified children of His that we will fully become in heaven.

**Talk**

1. When you think about heaven, what do you picture?
2. How often do you think about heaven or the “hope of heaven” (often, sometimes, rarely, never)? Why?

3. Read Revelation 21:1–7. What do we have to look forward to, according to this passage?
4. Read Colossians 3:2–4. How does focusing on the hope of heaven while living on earth change our perspective of life?
5. *“Regardless of what life has spilled on you, your glory comes from another place. You need to know how beautiful God sees you, currently.”*  
~ Pastor Marcus Brecheen

As a believer, where does your glory come from? How do you respond to the fact that God already sees you as beautiful now?

### **Live**

1. As you think about the hope of heaven, what circumstance or suffering in your life takes on a new perspective? Why?
2. Either individually or as a group, ask the Lord to give you insight into how He currently views you. What scriptures or ideas come to mind that help you see yourself as He sees you, today?

### **Pray**

Thank God for the glorious hope that heaven offers His children. Thank Him for His glory that is already upon you, and for the fullness of His glory that will be revealed. Ask Him to overwhelm you with the understanding of His favorable opinion of you while on earth, that you might live with His hope in your heart day by day.