

Devotional From Charles Spurgeon

"The things which are not seen."

2 Corinthians 4:18

In our Christian pilgrimage it is well, for the most part, to be looking forward. Forward lies the crown, and onward is the goal. Whether it be for hope, for joy, for consolation, or for the inspiring of our love, the future must, after all, be the grand object of the eye of faith. Looking into the future we see sin cast out, the body of sin and death destroyed, the soul made perfect, and fit to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light. Looking further yet, the believer's enlightened eye can see death's river passed, the gloomy stream forded, and the hills of light attained on which standeth the celestial city; he seeth himself enter within the pearly gates, hailed as more than conqueror, crowned by the hand of Christ, embraced in the arms of Jesus, glorified with him, and made to sit together with him on his throne, even as he has overcome and has sat down with the Father on his throne. The thought of this future may well relieve the darkness of the past and the gloom of the present.

The joys of heaven will surely compensate for the sorrows of earth. Hush, hush, my doubts! death is but a narrow stream, and thou shalt soon have forded it. Time, how short—eternity, how long! Death, how brief—immortality, how endless! Methinks I even now eat of Eshcol's clusters, and sip of the well which is within the gate. The road is so, so short! I shall soon be there.

“When the world my heart is rending
With its heaviest storm of care,
My glad thoughts to heaven ascending,
Find a refuge from despair.
Faith's bright vision shall sustain me
Till life's pilgrimage is past;
Fears may vex and troubles pain me,
I shall reach my home at last.”

News Bites

Israel must prevent the elimination of the Jewish people

The Israeli government has the "right, duty and capability" to prevent the elimination of the Jewish people and the Jewish state, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday's weekly cabinet meeting. During the meeting, the cabinet marked the 70th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference on the Nazi "Final Solution" for the Jewish people. Netanyahu said that the Jewish people's ability to defend itself was the main difference between 2012 and 1942. "There is no lack of bitter enemies today," Netanyahu said. "The will to destroy the Jewish people has not changed. What has changed is our ability to defend ourselves and our determination to do so."

Christians in Sudan, South Sudan Facing Death and Detention

Christians in Sudan and newly created South Sudan face possible detention, beatings and even death amid a "deteriorating humanitarian situation" with thousands of people being killed this year alone, aid workers and Christians said in statements obtained by Worthy News Sunday, January 22.

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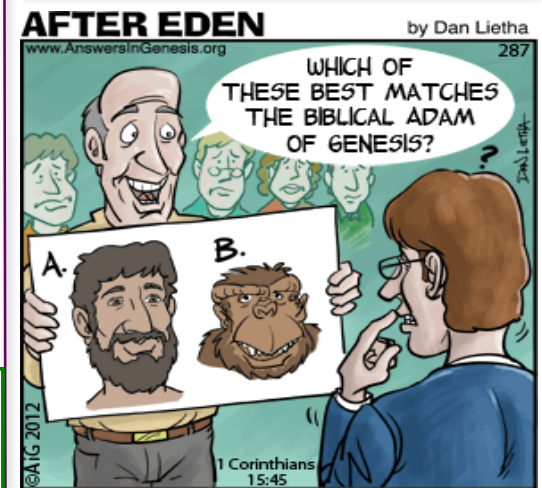
Upcoming Things...

Haiti Night - Thursday, February 2nd at 6:30 PM. Barbara Hughes will have a presentation of the happenings in Haiti and we will have a time of prayer for the Haitians.

Quotes

Discernment is not a matter of simply telling the difference between right and wrong; rather it is telling the difference between right and almost right.

C.H. Spurgeon



The pastoral search committee became concerned when the potential candidate had to think a little too much on this question.