

12/10/17 Q & A: NO TEARS in HEAVEN



Someone asked a while ago to explain how they were not going to be crying over loved ones who didn't make it to heaven. They asked how it is that they weren't going to be sad and crying about it.

I have been asked this question before. I used to wonder the same thing myself.

Rev.21:4-5 - And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Former things – the way things used to be has ended.

Luke 14:26-27 - If any *man* come to Me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after Me, cannot be My disciple.

Matt.12:47- 50 - Then one said unto Him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with Thee. But He answered and said unto him that told him, Who is My mother? and who are My brethren? And He stretched

forth His hand toward His disciples, and said, Behold My mother and My brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of My Father which is in heaven, the same is My brother, and sister, and mother.

Jesus did not identify with His earthly family as being His true family. He preferred those that were sitting at His feet seeking God over those that were considered His family here on this earth.

Right now I have more in common with a true Christian when I meet one than I do with my own flesh and blood family, and I'm not talking about Scott and Kennedy. There is a knowing by the Spirit of God as to who truly loves Him. They want to talk about Him and share about Him and are about His business. They love to read His Word and study and be around others who are like minded.

When we get to heaven and stand before a Holy God and see Him in His glory and feel His love and power engulfing us we are not going to be sad or crying about those that did not love Him. Why would we stand before His presence and cry for someone who did not want to give their lives to Him? That is like Lot's wife who was shown the way to deliverance but in the middle of the escape she longed to see the thing she really loved and so she looked back. She was not worthy. She was told not to look back, but she did and in so doing, she did not obey.

We will be with our God and in the company of others who loved Him and served Him like we did and we will have all things in common. The flesh will have been done away with and we will walk in the truth and in the Spirit and will not long for or miss the sinful things in this life and that includes people even if they were related to us on earth. If they did not lift Jesus up as their sacrifice and love Him and show Him they loved Him by obeying Him, then they were not of us. Those who choose satan as their father have nothing in common with us. This may be a hard teaching to grasp right now because we are still here in these fleshly bodies and they are still part of our lives. But as you draw nearer to God He will reveal this truth to you.