

Our Inheritance

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-4

1 Peter 1:3-4 KJV Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

Introduction

Not everyone will have the the personal fortune that Bill Gates or Warren Buffet have acquired. We may live from pay check to pay check, have holes in our clothes and shoes, and maybe even not have enough to eat. But according to this scripture, we have an inheritance

Revelation 21:10-11 KJV And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, ¹¹ Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal

I. Incorruptible

1 Peter 1:4 KJV To an inheritance incorruptible...

- A. Nothing will tarnish that inheritance
Example: My Bolo Tie
- B. No decay, mildew, dry rot
- C. Our inheritance is incorruptible

II. Undefiled

1 Peter 1:4 KJV To an inheritance ... undefiled,
Revelation 21:27 KJV And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

- A. Our inheritance is kept pure
- B. No sin will enter our inheritance
Revelation 22:15 KJV For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremon-gers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

III. Permanent

1 Peter 1:4 KJV To an inheritance ... that fadeth not away

- A. Our inheritance here on earth can quickly be gone
Example: People who won the lottery

- B. It's more than just streets of gold and incredible beauty
- C. It means dwelling forever in the presence of the Lord
Staying in God's presence at SRFC

IV. Reserved

1 Peter 1:4 KJV To an inheritance ... reserved in heaven for you,

- A. Our inheritance is reserved
- B. It takes reservations
 - 1. Must be made in advance
 - 2. Can't arrive without reservations
- C. Reserved only for those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life

Conclusion

May I ask you ... do you have an inheritance? Have you made your reservations? Are you certain you have a place in all that God has prepared for those who love Him?