

## TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Classes	10:00 A.M.
Worship Service	11:00 A.M.
Worship Service	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday:	
Bible Classes	7:00 P.M.

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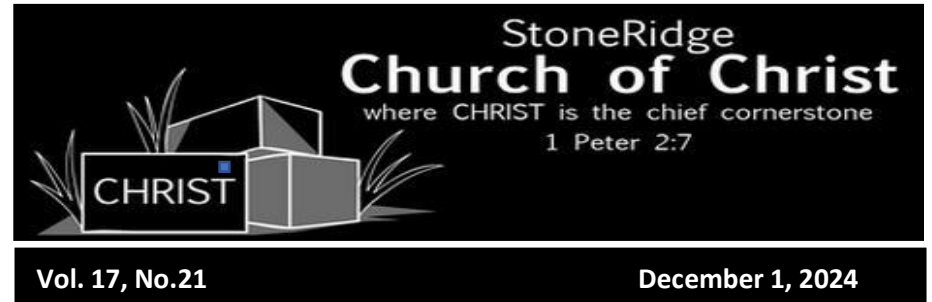
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## What To Do If You Miss Heaven

**We've all had the experience** of missing something important. It's frustrating. We get made at ourselves. But we usually handle it. If you miss a bus, you can catch another one. If you miss a meal, you can eat later. If you miss an appointment, you can reschedule.

However, all misses are not as easily corrected as ones I mention now. If you miss the April 15 deadline to file your taxes, you will pay a penalty. If you miss an installment payment, there is usually a penalty. If a sick person misses taking their medicine, they usually suffer because of it.

But there are some spiritual applications and implications, **What if you miss heaven?** Think about it for a moment. I'll wait.....It's a horrible and sobering thought, isn't it?. Sure it is. What should you do?

First, let's take note that some **will** miss heaven. Jesus told us plainly in no mistakeable language, that everybody's not going to be saved. There will be some judgment day surprises. Some will die in their sins (Jn 8:21-28). They will die separated from God (Isa 59:1,2). Jesus a minority will make it to heaven (Mt 7:13,14). Most people do what the **want** to do. They will be cast out. (Jn 15).

**Why some will miss heaven:** because they won't obey God (Heb 5:8,9); because of pride (Obad 1:3); because of overt sin – the real issue (Js 1:13-17; Rom 6:23; 3:23); they don't love Jesus (Jn 14:15); we haven't preached the gospel to them.

**What to do if you miss heaven: Start to think about some things. (1)** You will never have another opportunity (Heb 9:27). You will have sealed your fate.

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Eternity is underway. It's not like you missed a bus. (2) Remember all the times you have rejected the invitation. (3) Consider the love God had for you, that: treated so lightly. **Start to feel these things:** (1) gnashing of teeth (Mt 25:30); (2) no rest (Rev 14:11); (3) pain (Mt 25:46); (4) you will be in a place with the devil that was prepared for him (Mt 25:41); **Start to grope** (1) in outer darkness (Mt 25:30); (2) No hope of getting out (Lk 16:26); (3) others will be there experiencing the same fate; (4) Rev 21:8 is a list of some who will be your neighbors (5) You will be without God. **There will not be a positive thing you can do.** It is over. Too late. If you miss heaven there isn't anything you can do to correct it. No hope.

You knew by the title that this wasn't going to end well. It's a real "downer." We need something to make us think. There is no positive way to preach or write on hell, the idea of being lost for eternity. I can tell you now, I didn't enjoy writing this. I hope you didn't enjoy reading it. But I hope you read it. If it causes you to make necessary changes in your life, then a totally negative article can have some positive results. I hope it will cause you to say, "I want to go to heaven and I'm willing to submit my will to Jesus. I trust Him and I am willing to do whatever He asks of me." There will be much rejoicing if that happens – in heaven and on earth.

That said, I can't think of a more positive note to end this article. Because I can't make the decision for you, I have to leave the ball in your court. What will you do? -db



***A Christian is known by the company he keeps and the company he keeps out of.***

***It is more profitable to learn about the Rock of Ages than ages of rocks.***

## *News/Notes/Quote*

**THE SICK.** Gauri and Debbie Guha continue to recuperate. We're glad they have been able to assemble. ... Cherilynn McFarland continues to recuperate from foot surgery...t...Belva Williams has been in the hospital with A-Fib. Hopefully, they have that corrected and she is back at home... I don't have any recent info on the sick. I hope that's a good sign. It's that time of year! Take care of yourselves and each other! Shut-ins: Shirley Coots at Walnut Ridge Nursing Home...Ray Vines at Roger's home...Ruby Vanhoozer is at home under hospice care...Karen Livesay at home...

**GROUP MEETINGS.** Group 1 will meet Dec 7 at 5:30 at the Christenberry's. Group 2 will meet Dec 7 at 5:30 at the Beardens'.

### **GOSPEL MEETINGS**

Dec 1- -Steele MO – John Mundy

**PODCAST.** John Mundy – Monday-Friday. 8 am on Facebook & YouTube.