

DAY 3

For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal. (2 Corinthian 4:18)

~~ *Heaven on Earth* ~~

Do a survey of today's local newspaper, or pay close attention to the evening news broadcast on television. Here's what you will likely find; stories on the U.S. economy, ongoing military efforts against terrorism, medical and technological advances, and other such stories. Here's what you'll likely not find: news reports about heaven.

Let's face it: the world we live in is not focused on heaven. Atheists, agnostics, and pagans aren't concerned with heaven at all, and we can understand their inattention. The surprising reality is that many Christians hardly give heaven a second thought either. We live as if this world is the real thing, that which defines who and what we are.

In fact, just the opposite is true. This world is a very temporary parenthesis in the eternal plan of God. Christians' citizenship is heavenly, not earthly. While on earth, the way we keep our eyes focused on heaven is to live in the presence of God through continual worship and communion with Him. Though the media is full of news, don't let it distract you from the good news of the Gospel. (DJ - June 8)

This meditation was written in 2005 is still true after 15 years.

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Father God,

Now, I realize again that my shortcoming is procrastinating in obeying the Word of God. Please help me not to postpone my desire to obey my Lord, Jesus. Help me deliberately to put more efforts to know and listen to the Holy Spirit so that I can live a victorious life in this ungodly world. Amen.