

SERMON NOTES

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When should we take the Bible literally versus figuratively?

Literally or Figuratively: The 10 Commandments:

1. You shall have no other gods before me _____
2. You shall not make for yourself an idol _____
3. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God _____
4. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy _____
5. Honor your father and your mother _____
6. You shall not murder _____
7. You shall not commit adultery _____
8. You shall not steal _____
9. You shall not give false testimony _____
10. You shall not covet _____

Is the parable in Luke 16 a true story? _____

What lesson of truth of the rich man and Lazarus should we take?

Do all poor people go to heaven? _____ You have to _____
Christ as Savior.

Do all rich people go to hell? _____ Only those who _____
salvation through Jesus Christ.

Do people in _____ see what is happening in heaven and ask for favors?
Matthew 8:12 “ _____ *will be thrown into outer darkness, where there will
be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*”

Luke 16:26 Could Lazarus even go to Hades? _____ There is a great _____

separating inhabitants of heaven from those in hell. Once someone has died and arrives in

_____, there is nothing anyone can do to send them to

_____. Once someone has died and gone to _____,

there is nothing anyone can do to get them to _____.

Make sure that you aren't going to _____.

Important truths:

When a passage says something is actually that - take it _____.

When a passage says that it is _____ or _____ something, then realize it is symbolic.

Inductive Bible Study:

1. What did the author originally _____?

2. What was the original _____ of the passage for the writer?

3. What does the passage mean _____?

2 Timothy 3:16 believe that Scripture is God _____. God wants us to _____ it.

In Revelation 1:1 God _____ sent an angel with a message to John.

Vs. 10a *"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day ..."* John literally entered God's presence in

_____ in His throne room, sometime in our future. Every _____ will be surrounding the throne of God in eternity with God.

Vs. 10b *"and heard behind me a loud voice _____ a trumpet..."* Symbolic words.

When we get to heaven, it is going to be really _____ and _____.

Vs. 12 *"... I saw seven golden lampstands"*

Vs. 16 *"In His hand He held seven stars... and His face was like the sun shining in full strength."*

Revelation 21:23 *"And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of _____ gives it _____, and its lamp is the Lamb."*

Vs. 20: *As for the the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels overseeing the seven churches*

Any time you see stars in Revelation it is talking about angels. *"and the seven lampstands represent the seven churches."* So they are symbolic and explained as such.

Vs. 13 *"and in the midst of the lamp stands one **like** a son of man"* _____ language

Vs. 16 *"And His face was **like** the sun shining in full strength."* God is the _____ of light Vs. 13 He is _____ clothed with a long robe with a golden sash,

Vs. 14 says *"the hairs of his head were white _____ white wool."*

Jesus is timeless. The symbolism here is showing us that God is wise, _____, holy. Shining His glory in heaven.