

“Think Heaven”

“Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.” – Colossians 3:2

You may have heard the expression. “Don’t be so heavenly minded that you’re of no earthly good.” However, I know a lot of people who are so earthly minded, they’re of no heavenly good. The fact is, we need to be heavenly minded.

Those who think the most about the next life do the most in this one. To be heavenly minded doesn’t mean being disconnected with reality. It’s simply recognizing that life on earth has a beginning, a middle, and an end.

The apostle Paul wrote to the believers in Colosse, “If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth” (Colossians 3:1-2).

The phrase “set your mind” speaks of a diligent act of single-minded investigation. A simple way to translate it is, “Think about Heaven,” or more simply, “Think Heaven.” I like that. The verb is in the present tense, which means, “Keep thinking about and keep seeking Heaven.” Our feet must be on the earth, but our minds should be in Heaven. Yet many of us will go through a day, sometimes a week, and perhaps even a month, without a single thought about Heaven.

We don’t know when this life will end. We recognize there is an afterlife. There is future re-ward for Christians and a future judgment for those who do not believe. That affects us in the way we live now. If you really believe there is a future judgment, you’re not going to do what-ever you want. It will motivate you to do good things and godly things if you believe there are future rewards. Thinking about Heaven should affect us in the way we live today.

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