Where Will You Be When You Get Where You Are Going?

Ken Chapman · Matthew 7:13–14

INTRODUCTION

- Many times in the New Testament, the Christian life is described as a journey.
- One of the first designations of this group of Christians is they were known as the way.
- Where will you be when you get where you're going? The probative question, it's intended for you to think about where you're going. Where is your final destination?

1 We're All Going Somewhere

Hebrews 9:27

- This existence is not just a static existence.
- Our existence on this planet, every day of our lives, is a step in a certain direction.
- It is appointed for men to die once, and after this the judgment.
- We need to practically in our lives live with the understanding that we are going somewhere. We are going to our own death. And then the judgment.

2 Everyone Is on One of Two Paths

Matthew 7:13–14

- I believe that Jesus is saying, everyone is on one of two paths.
- Enter the narrow gate, for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.
- Narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.
- Those two paths are all encompassing, and there is exclusive of them, there is no path. You're going somewhere.

3 Going Somewhere and Not Aware of Where

Acts 26:9; 1 John 5:13

- It is possible to be going somewhere and not be aware of where you're going.
- The Apostle Paul, prior to his conversion, when he was persecuting Christians, that he was going the wrong way. But another undeniable Bible fact is he didn't know it.
- To be going down that wide, easy path that leads to destruction, all the while thinking we're on the right path.
- Think about where I'm going based upon the word of God.
- It is also equally possible to be going in the right direction and to know that as well.

- That you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

4 We Need to Set Goals

Philippians 3:12–14

- If we've made up our mind that we're going somewhere, and we've made up our mind to do what it takes to get there, that we know where we want to go, then we need to set goals.
- Short-term goals, must be set and enacted in order to get there.
- It is one thing to look at this sin flawed, death, disease-filled world and say, I want to go to heaven. But it's another thing to say, and here's the goals that I need to set.
- I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
- No one will get to heaven accidentally.
- Am I willing to set those goals?

5 The Great Danger in Losing Sight of That Goal

- We can understand the great danger that comes in losing sight of that goal.
- The child of God, who knows where we want to go, but either fails to make the short-term goals necessary to get there.
- Or because of Satan's distractions, we take our eye off that goal.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Let's make heaven not just our home, but our goal.**

MY NOTES