Main Idea: This week, as we close our sermon series “Promises”, we are looking at Jesus’ promise to prepare a place for us and to come to take us home.

Opening Discussion Question: Have you given heaven much thought? What do you think it will be like?

Read: John 14:1-7

1. This world is not supposed to be our home, heaven is. Based on this passage, what do you think Heaven will be like now?

Discussion Points

a. God has a physical place for us.
b. It’s only for the followers of Christ.
c. We will be in God’s presence.
d. Answers will vary.

2. Pastor Justin talked about why Heaven won’t be boring. What do you think we will do in Heaven? Why do you think Heaven won’t be boring?

Discussion Points

a. Worship God and enjoy being in His presence.
b. Enjoy His creation, very much like Adam and Eve did in the garden.
c. Fellowship with other believers.
d. Answers will vary.

Read Revelation 21

3. In this passage, John was given a glimpse of Heaven. What in this passage is clear to you? What in the passage confuses you?

Discussion Points:

a. God’s kingdom will be beyond what we can imagine.
b. We won’t experience pain, suffering, or loss.
c. We won’t have to worry about sin and death.
d. Answers will vary.
4. Jesus says that no one knows the time, not even the Son. It will come like a thief in the night, without warning. What do we need to do to be ready?

**Discussion Points:**

a. We need to have decisively decided to accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. We need to do this with all of our heart, mind, strength and soul. Not because someone told us to do so, not because everyone else is doing it, but because we truly believe.

b. We need to put our house in order. Getting rid of those things that keep us from God. Those myriads of distractions we fill our lives with, i.e.
   1. Work/Career in its proper perspective
   2. Social Media
   3. Our Free Time
   4. Materialism

c. We need to come clean with God, confessing our sins, asking for forgiveness and attempting to remove these things from our lives. It is all too easy to rest in misguided confidence that we do not have to live changed lives. Salvation is the beginning of the journey, changed lives is the effort of a lifetime.

5. Have you stopped to consider who you know might or might not be in Heaven? What do you think you can do to reach those people?

**Discussion Points**

a. Get to know them first, be relational.

b. Share your story with them, be prepared to explain why you have hope in Christ.

c. Ask questions about what they specifically believe.

d. Find ways to serve them and show Christ’s love.

e. Answers will vary.

**Next Steps:** If Jesus came back today, what part of your life isn’t ready? This week take some time to examine your life. Grab a piece of paper and write down some things in your life that aren’t consistent with what the Bible says. Throughout the week, pray over these things, hand them over to God, and ask God to make you more like Him.

Who in your life needs to hear the Good News of Jesus? Write down the names of people, pray for them, and think about ways you can share Jesus with them.

**Reading Plan:**

- **Sunday** – Revelation 21
- **Monday** – Matthew 10:24-33
- **Tuesday** – Ephesians 2:1-7
- **Wednesday** – 2 Peter 3
- **Thursday** – 2 Chronicles 7:14
- **Friday** – Jeremiah 29:11-14
- **Saturday** – Romans 13:11-14