

WILL CHILDREN BE RAPTURED?

Selected scriptures

Introduction

- I. The <u>Character</u> of God Deuteronomy 1:29-31, Psalm 86:15, Psalm 145:9, Deuteronomy 1:39, Jonah 4:11, Ezekiel 16:20-22, Jeremiah 2:34, Jeremiah 19:4
- II. The Condition for Salvation Isaiah 7:16
- III. The <u>Compassion</u> of the Savior Matthew 19:13-14, Matthew 18:14
- IV. The Child of David 2 Samuel 12:14-23

Conclusion

- 1. What About the Age of Accountability? Psalm 51:5, Psalm 58:3, Isaiah 7:16
- 2. How Old Will Children Be in Heaven? Isaiah 11:6, 7-8

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| Getting Started 1. Think of loved ones who have already gone to heaven. What do you remember most about them? What do you miss most? |
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| 2. When you think of joining them in heaven, what thoughts run through your mind? What feelings rise up inside of you? |
| Going Deeper 1. Joining God, our heavenly Father, in heaven is a beautiful picture. What hopes do you have about your first in-person encounter with your Abba Father? |
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| 2. Read Psalm 86:15 and 145:9. Of these listed attributes of God, which one helps you feel most connected to Him? |
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| 3. Pastor Jeremiah said that "the character of God provides a special grace for those who cannot believe." How does this knowledge create a redemptive picture of our Lord with regard to children who die before they are mature enough to believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior? |
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| 4. Read Matthew 18:14 and 19:13-14. Jesus had an incredible love for children. Describe someone you know who has displayed this kind of affection for kids. |
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| Thinking forward to your own entrance into heaven, who do you most want to see and reconnect with upon your arrival? |
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| Applying the Message 1. How ready are you to die? What thoughts and feelings show up in you when you consider your own departure from this life? |
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| 2. How does placing <i>all</i> of your faith, hope, and trust in Jesus Christ change the way you prepare for meeting Him face to face? |
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