

Topeka Bible Church – Men’s Fraternity Session 6  
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Taking the Great Adventure Out of This World

I. Four Reflections from Last Week

A. Cultivating the “sacred ground of the mind” is one of the most important things a man can do. With it, a man can “see” his life at the end which will be of great benefit to him now.

1. Sacred ground looks back from this life’s end.

2. Sacred ground looks forward from this life’s end.

B. The stronger the connection and fit between ...

My design → My present pursuits → My end, the more meaningful and satisfying a man’s life will be.

The Adventurer’s Sacred Oath: I will fervently live my life according to my design with the end in mind.

C. LIFE as we know it turns on two worldviews:

1. There’s more! ... after this life.

2. There’s nothing more!

D. DEATH as we know it offers us four possible outcomes:

1. It’s over.

2. It’s not over and whatever’s next everyone will be fine.

3. It’s not over and I’m good enough for what’s next.

4. It’s not over and I will need help for what’s next.

## II. What's next? A Christian Perspective.

A. The Bible says death offers the possibility of great gain.

So why has heaven lost weight with most men?

1. The only heaven most men know is childish and boring.
2. We become consumed with trying to build a heaven for ourselves here.
3. We have rarely been offered a biblical vision of heaven that's compelling and motivating.

B. The Bible says heaven is a place of ...

1. Resolution, namely to this life's loose ends
2. Altered states
  - New bodies
  - New relationships
  - New home
3. Personal rewards
4. New status and positions for everyone
5. Actions and new adventure
6. Endless surprises

C. The Bible says not everyone will go to heaven.