

Sunday Takeaways November 1, 2020

The following are discussion questions based on the sermon shared by Pastor Michael Turner entitled "Reversal". This sermon was preached on November 1st. These questions can be used as a resource to guide discussion after viewing the message from our pastors. We hope these will be a great resource for you as you come together to dig deeper into God's word

- 1. What is one main "takeaway" you gleaned from Pastor Michael's sermon?
- 2. Who are some "saints" who have had a profound effect on your life and have graduated to the "church triumphant?"
- 3. Why do you think death has such a negative effect on us?
- 4. If "time marches on and death is inevitable" what do we have to celebrate?
- 5. What does the following quote from Admiral James Stockdale, a former P.O.W. teach us about dealing with death and dying: "You must never confuse faith that you will prevail which you can never afford to lose with the discipline to confront the most brutal facts of your current reality, whatever that might be."
- 6. What does Matthew 5:1-12 teach us about God's ultimate perspective on death?
- 7. What do you think Pastor Michael meant by "death is a curse, but it has been reversed?"
- 8. What do you think Jesus meant by, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted?"
- 9. What do you think of when you hear the word "heaven?"
- 10. Pastor Michael shared a quote from Will Willimon that stated, "Heaven is where God gets what He wants." How does this change your perception of our eternal reward?

Scripture References:

Matthew 5:1-12; Hebrews 12:1,2; 1 Corinthians 15:35-58; Revelation 21:1-5