

“TORN BETWEEN TWO WORLDS” PHILIPPIANS 1:19-26

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Scripture Reference: Philippians 1:19-26

Philippians 1:23 “*For I am hard-pressed between the two.*”

1) HIM OR THEM

Philippians 1:21 “*For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.*”

2) LIFE OR DEATH

Philippians 1:21 “*For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.*”

3) HEAVEN OR HERE

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I. WHY WE WANT TO STAY “HERE”

Philippians 1:22 “*But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor*”

1) FOR CHRIST

Philippians 1:21 “*For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.*”

2) FOR THE THE CHURCH

Philippians 1:22 “*But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor*”

3) FOR THE CULTURE

Philippians 1:24 “*Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you.*”

II. WHY WE WANT TO GO TO "HEAVEN"

Philippians 1:23 *"Having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better"*

1) WHO IS THERE

1 Thessalonians 4:17 *"Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord."*

2) WHAT IS THERE

John 14:2 *"In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."*

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III. WHY IT IS UP TO GOD WHICH ONE "HAPPENS"

Hebrews 9:27 *"And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment"*

1) THE DETERMINED DATE

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2) THE PERFECT PLAN

Psalms 139:16 *"And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me"*

3) THE FINDING OF FAITH

Acts 17:26-27 *"And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him."*