



1. Scripture regularly calls God our _____.

2. God is of infinite _____ and will always _____.

3. Scripture makes it clear that children are _____ to the Lord.

- A _____ doesn't _____ without God knowing it.
- Scripture teaches that children become _____
- God makes _____ for children

4. God sees children as _____.

- There is a great difference between _____ and _____
- Everyone is born lost, but remains so by _____ the Gospel
- Children have no ability to _____

“Little children have no record of unbelief or evil works, and therefore, there is no basis for their deserving an eternity from God. ... They are graciously and sovereignly saved by God as part of the atoning work of Jesus Christ.” John MacArthur, *Safe In the Arms of God*

“Are [infants] saved? And if so, how? I answer, saved they are beyond a doubt; all children dying in infancy are caught away to dwell in ... heaven. ... But mark this – no infant was ever saved apart from the death of Christ. ... they are washed from all original corruption which they had inherited from their parents, and thus washed and cleansed they enter into the kingdom of heaven. ... If infants were not washed in the blood of Christ, they could not join in that universal song which perpetually surrounds the throne of God. We believe that they are all saved – every one of them without exception ...” Charles Spurgeon, “The Way of Salvation”

“How can we be sure that an infant or child has gone to heaven since they may not have accepted Jesus Christ? Because they were too young to have chosen sin, to have reached an accountable age, to have known about sin and salvation through Jesus Christ. The saving work of Christ has reversed sin’s curse and covered this little one.”

Jim Henry, Baptist pastor, *A Minister’s Treasury of Funeral & Memorial Messages*

“Babies cannot understand the witness of God, either in creation or in the Scripture. They cannot yet comprehend the truth of the Gospel. Yet God loves them deeply. He loves children and He delights in the babies He has created. He loves the preborn and He loves the newborn. He loves the infant and He loves the toddler.” David Jeremiah, *Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven*

5. Children _____

Marcianus Aristides, early Christian apologist, explaining the beliefs of Christians to Roman Emperor Hadrian in A.D. 125: “If any righteous person of their number passes away from the world, they rejoice and thank God, and escort his body as if he were setting out from one place to another nearby. When a child is born to one of them, they praise God. If it dies in infancy, they thank God the more, as for one who has passed through the world without sins.”

6. Quite possibly, the largest number of people in heaven will be those _____

- _____ of all conceived in the womb never survive to see a _____ year of life.
- Most receive Jesus between the ages of _____.

7. Does Scripture give an “age of accountability?”

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- Polycarp came to Christ at the age of _____

8. How old will children be in heaven?