

MESSAGE NOTES
Inquiring Minds Want to Know
The Wild Kingdom
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QUESTION 7:

“Will there be animals in heaven? ‘On earth as it is in Heaven.’ I know there are mansions in Heaven, but will there also be earthly pleasures such as animals, sunsets, etc.?”

1. “On earth as it is in Heaven” does not refer to our **PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES**.

“This, then, is how you should pray: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” Matthew 6:9-10

2. In the beginning, God created all **LIVING CREATURES**.

“God said, ‘Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.’ So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it... and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.”
Genesis 1:20:21

“God said, ‘Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.’ And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.” Genesis 1:24-25

3. God created mankind with an **ETERNAL SOUL**.

“Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.” Genesis 2:7

“Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.”
Genesis 2:19-20

4. Nevertheless, there **WILL BE** animals in Heaven.

“I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war... The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.” Revelation 19:11,14

“The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The infant will play near the cobra’s den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper’s nest.” Isaiah 11:6-8

“For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.” Romans 8:19-21

“He who was seated on the throne said, ‘I am making everything new!’” Revelation 21:5

**All scripture in the NIV*

ACTION STEPS:

1. Hug your pets today and give them lots of treats!
2. Invite someone to church.