

Eternal Life

The Consummation of Salvation · Soteriology

Eternal life is not merely endless existence but the quality of life belonging to the age to come—knowing the only true God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent. This life is a present possession (he that believes has eternal life) and a future hope (in the world to come, life everlasting). It is abundant life, overflowing life, the water of life springing up into everlasting life. This life is in Christ—he who has the Son has life. The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. This life can never be lost, for it is eternal by nature. It is the consummation of salvation—to dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Key Verses

John 17:3

And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

John 3:36

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 10:28

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 John 5:11-12

And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

John 4:14

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

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