

# August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Message Discussion Questions

1. Check in Question: fall is over, summer is over – go around and share your favorite fall activity (or something you're looking forward to this year).
2. Review the main ideas of the message together:
  - What do you remember?
  - What stood out to you?
  - Read 2 Peter 3.11-18
3. In the passage:
  - Go back through together and identify any words that have to do with perspective, or how we think.
  - Now go back again and identify the practical commands to follow.
  - What connections do you see between both?
    - (leader – note that in almost every case commands are given after perspective words)
4. We mentioned Sunday that a right perspective on heaven is critical for “looking ahead well.”
  - When you think of heaven, what do you envision?
  - Now as a group go through and identify things we can KNOW about heaven (references)
    - Some here for reference if not suggested (Rev. 21.1-8, 22-27, 22.1-13, John 14.1-4, 1 Cor. 2.9, Matt. 6.19-21)
5. We talked about on Sunday that as the church we are being made holy in order to become Christ's perfect spotless bride.
  - How does this motivate our efforts toward spiritual growth today?
6. We also briefly mentioned on Sunday the importance of reaching the lost (if Jesus is really coming back). What does it look like to really do that well today?
7. In 2 weeks we'll begin a vision series at Bethel (who we are and what church is really all about).
  - What do you believe is important to value as a church? Why?
8. Pray for one another before you go.