

HEAVEN: I WANT TO GO THERE

(Rev. 22:1-7)

INTRODUCTION

- #969 Don't You Want To Go To That Land?
#975 Everybody Will Be Happy Over There

1. BECAUSE I WANT TO SEE LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED

(Gen. 25:8) "Abraham ... died ... and was gathered to his people"

Phrase "gathered to his people" also stated in: (Gen. 25:17, 35:29, 49:33;
Numbers 20:24, 27:12-13)

(Gen. 37:35) "When Jacob thought Joseph was dead, he longed to see him."
(2 Sam. 12:22-23) "... I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me"

(1 Thess. 4:14) "... even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him"

2. BECAUSE I WANT TO BE FREE FROM FEAR OF DYING

(Rev. 21:4) "there shall be no more death"

No more funeral planning and funerals, no more hillsides marked with tombstones.

3. BECAUSE I WANT TO SEE GOD - (Rev. 21:3) "God himself shall be with them"

4. BECAUSE I WILL BE FREE OF "FORMER THINGS"

(Rev. 21:4) "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death,
neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain:
for the former things are passed away"

Hymn #916 What A Day That Will Be

5. BECAUSE I WANT TO RECEIVE MY INHERITANCE - (1 Peter 1:9)

(1 Peter 1:3-4) "to an inheritance incorruptible ... reserved in heaven for you"

Mansion - (John 14:2-3; 2 Cor. 5:1)

Robe - (Rev. 6:11, 7:9, v13-14)

Crown - (1 Thess. 2:19) "crown of rejoicing" (2 Tim. 4:6-8) "crown of righteousness"

(1 Peter 5:4) "crown of glory" (James 1:12, Rev. 2:10) "crown of life"

6. BECAUSE I WANT TO "REST" - (Rev. 14:13)