

Bridge to the Eternal

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My journal entry from May 9th, 2009: “I’ve been pondering the term mortality lately and what that really means for me, as a believer and one who longs for Jesus and all of the promises of God. What does it mean to a soul, when the tent of physicality is over? What does it mean when time as I know it ceases and eternity begins? Really, eternity means just that; now and forever, not just after now!

So, how is my tent of the physical, in the here and now of eternity, going to transcend when this life passes on to the other side of eternity? Yes, I have all the words of God in scripture. That facilitates hope, yet even those words are written for a mortal, human comprehension, and do not speak to the unknown, and are beyond my human capabilities to understand. There lies the meaning of faith. So, the question then revolves on the degree of faith I have. All of this is of no comparison to the reality and glory that God is love and love is what lasts. So my faith, and all else must revolve around love! My soul is the vessel of God’s love. My soul is the vessel of the eternal! My soul is the messenger of God’s love! My soul is the bridegroom! My soul is the bridge to the eternal! My soul, which is unseen, is eternal! My senses, which are seen and unseen, are a measure of the condition of my soul!

Thankfully, I have silence, solitude, prayer and scripture to allow my soul and my senses to learn to communicate in love and be in a soul-full relationship with God, all in preparation for when the tent of my being becomes the glory of God’s presence, penetration and perfection in my soul’s eyes, mind and heart! Thank you God for all that leads to this impending Glory!”

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