

## Who Am I? Part V

### "An Earthly Tent"

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

*Going Beyond* the sermons into the Scripture preached by Pastor Peter Oh on October 14, 2018

#### ***Entering In:***

*In what ways do you agree or not agree with Sir Francis' quote, "Knowledge is power"?*

1. A *tent* is used by Paul as a metaphor for which of the following? How do you know?

- A. Our physical bodies
- B. Our shelters on earth
- C. The tabernacle/temple
- D. Other

What four characteristics of this *tent* can be inferred from 4:16-18?

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What basic fears is Paul addressing as he speaks of this *tent*?

- (5:1a)
- (5:2a, 4a)
- (5:10)

2. What is the heavenly dwelling for which we long? How do you know?

- A. Glorious new bodies
- B. Heavenly mansions
- C. The new Jerusalem
- D. Other

How does this encourage you today?

Why does Paul long for his heavenly dwelling? What has God done for believers?

Do you share Paul's longing? Why or why not?

3. What does "being clothed/naked" imply, respectively?

What is the problem with being found naked? (cf. Genesis 3:7-11, 21)

How have you been clothed? How did this happen in your life personally? [cf. Romans 4:24-25; Romans 5:21; 2 Corinthians 5:21]

4. What guarantee has God given us that we will be appropriately clothed when we die? (5:5b)

What is implied in the statement that God “has given us the Spirit as a *deposit ...*”? (cf. Romans 8:23)

5. In what sense are we “away from the Lord” in verse 6?

How does our confidence in verse 6 affect how we live in this world?

Would you “prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord” given the joys and challenges of life on earth? (5:8) Explain the basis for your answer.

6. What is the *goal* in verse 9?

Why should we have this goal?

How is this different from our goal (purpose) in life before we placed our trust in Christ?

What is “Seeking to please [God] *while we are at home in the body*”?

How then can we seek to please God when we are away from the body?

7. Paul states “we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ...” (verse 10). How may believers’ judgment be different from unbelievers’? [cf. Romans 5:16,18; 8:1]

Will Christians be rewarded for how they lived and judged for the things they left undone?

8. Pastor Peter explained “sin-confession-forgiveness process” using a white robe. How do you approach some church family who continues to sin?

How do you *personally* keep your white robe clean?

***Living It Out:***

*Pray this week for one person who has been living in sin  
so that he/she may turn to Christ, his/her Lord.*