



Hill Cliffe Study Guide
Sunday 21 May 2023
Week 6 – Enjoying God Forever

1. What struck you most from Sunday's Sermon?

Please read Luke 1,31-33; John 14.15-17; Psalm 23.6; Psalm 62.11-12; Jude 24-25

2. What do these passages reveal about our 'forever' relationship with God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
3. How does this knowledge allay our fears about the future, and increase our enjoyment of the Lord in the present?

“Do you Love me more than the things you do for me?”

I shared the story of Rose Dowsett in the sermon on Sunday – please look back at this part of the sermon <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjwdE8eyYos>

In the middle of her enforced inactivity because of illness, God was graciously helping her to fix her eyes on her relationship with Him – above her work and ministry for Him – for good reason.

4. What did Rose learn for this interaction with God during her time of illness?
5. How is God speaking to you from this story?
6. Rose felt she was being saved by God from separating her love of her work for God from her first-love of God Himself (and prioritizing the first over the latter). How does Paul speak about this in **1 Corinthians 13.1-3**? What are the implications?

Please read 1 Corinthians 13.8-12; Romans 8.23-24

This passage speaks about a time '*then*' when we will no longer require prophecies and tongues and knowledge – when completeness comes and what is partial disappears.

7. When will the day of completeness come? And why will we no longer require prophecies, tongues and knowledge on that day?
8. How does this make you feel about God and about the kind of relationship He has in store for you and all God's people?

Please read Revelation 21.2-7; Revelation 22.3-5

9. How do these passages speak about the future for the people of God in terms of – our relationships / completeness / satisfaction / and the experience of a 'new Eden'?
10. How does this understanding help you to '*glorify God and enjoy Him*' – now and forever?