

I WENT TO HEAVEN (Part 1)
(By Bishop Ken Sims) &
Heaven Came to Me (Part 2)
(By Evangelist Patrick Sims)

Don't glorify your experiences. Glorify Jesus!

2 CORINTHIANS 12:1 It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: ² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—**such a one was caught up to the third heaven.** ³ And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴ **how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words**, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. ⁵ Of such a one I will boast; yet **of myself I will not boast**, except in my infirmities. ⁶ For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for **I will speak the truth**. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me *to be* or hears from me. ⁷ And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

Paul's thorn in the flesh was given so that he would not glorify his experience, but would glorify God instead. (Bishop Sims)

Today, I was listening as my husband ministered to Janetta, one of our spiritual daughters, who gave her life to Jesus in 1982. This dear sister lost her oldest daughter two days ago to a massive heart attack. Only thirty-seven years old, she leaves behind two sons - thirteen and sixteen. God is undergirding her.

During their conversation, Janetta asked Bishop to tell her about some of his out of body experiences and times that he actually witnessed heaven. Many of you are aware that he died twice. His near death experiences, over the years, are too numerous to count any more for there have been several every year. Towards the end of their conversation, the Lord impressed on me to share much of that conversation with you. He also reminded me of an inspirational thirteen year old Native American girl that I watched a few weeks ago tell about her time in heaven and hell.

- 1) On one occasion, Bishop Sims was able to see his body on the operating table as his spirit ascended upwards. It was not a lengthy ascent and he remembers feeling very light as he came right up in a mist of smoke at the feet of God the Father as He sat on His throne. He was dressed in a pure, long, white streaming garment down to His feet. His hands were on the arm of the chair. Shekinah glory filled the temple. The glory smoke was all around the throne as if it was emanating from within itself. It looked like clouds of boiling smoke – for lack of a better description. The throne was suspended in mid air, but he was unable to see a visible surface. The only colors he saw were gold and white and the white was not the same as the white on earth.

Bishop ascended higher but his head went only as high as the knees of the Father and between his legs. Now he was able to see God's face aglow – more radiant than any sun. However, he could not see God's facial features distinctively because of that brilliance. "I could see his shoulder length hair shining and sparkling. He was poised and looked straight ahead - never at me," he said. He stated, "I knew, without a doubt, that this was not an angel, but God the Father. No words were spoken."

After Bishop Sims saw Him, he started his descent back to earth. It seemed to him a short-lived experience. "When you are out of your body, you are very light and aware that there is nothing physical anchoring you - nothing holding you down," he said.

- 2) On another occasion, Bishop Sims saw angels in a holding place. He could see some flying with wings. Others were walking in the air with no visible wings. They were walking on an invisible platform in the middle of the air. He observed them going through the same motions that we do walking, but they were not wearing shoes and made no sound. They were all walking in the same direction. These angels were talking, but their lips were not moving. Communication was taking place by knowing what the other was thinking. They were waiting to get their orders to minister to people on earth and were happy about it.

Other angels were hovering in the air and had expansive wings. These angels anticipated their next set of orders, as well. Though they were not talking, Bishop knew what they were thinking. He said nothing to them and they said nothing to him. He just stood observing them. They didn't acknowledge him, but they knew that he was there. There are no words to describe it. It was just a knowing. He compared the expansive wings to a humming bird with wings of an eagle. However, they did not have to flap them. Their wings were just stretched out and the most beautiful plumage. Everything was perfect there - no deficiencies in anything. Everything was dazzling - an iridescent white.

- 3) Yet another experience in heaven! Bishop Sims saw luminous green grass – the blades were symmetrically perfect. The flowers were most beautiful and they were glorifying and praising God. They were spontaneously singing praises unto God with angelic voices like a symphony. They had personality. They were alive and were singing out of a spirit of joyfulness – worshipping God – adoring him. There was a large field of flowers, like a blanket covering. (He learned that everything that God has created is to glorify and praise him.)
- 4) My heart was in Jesus' hand. My nurse was panic-stricken and left me alone when my pressure spiked. She was gone for a while looking for the doctor so I became alarmed too. Just seeing the terror on her face was indication enough that I was dying. As my life began to slip away, I saw Jesus standing at the foot of my bed holding my heart in his hand. He assured me that I would be all right. I saw my heart pulsating in his hands and all my levels normalized. When my nurse returned, I told her it's okay. Jesus spoke to me and said, "Your heart is in my hands." Doctors confirmed it when they said, "You have one of the strongest hearts we have ever seen."

There is a spiritual heart and the flesh heart (the blood pumper). Your physical heart only keeps your body alive. Your spirit keeps everything functioning.
(Bishop Ken Sims)

HEAVEN CAME TO ME (Part 2)

(By: Evangelist Patrick Sims)

I had a supernatural experience when we lived in Germany. I will tell the abbreviated version here. (There is an extensive interview archived on-line for the X-Zone TV/Radio shows.) I came under severe demonic attack because there were practicing witches in the neighborhood who wanted all the Christians to leave. They were practicing witchcraft, voodoo, et cetera trying to ensure that we did. I didn't know this initially.

One morning, I had strange demonic visitations and was so horrified, I forgot who I was in Christ. I could actually hear several of them at my bedside speaking an unfamiliar language, yet I knew that they were mocking me. I said the right scriptures, in my mind but was paralyzed by fear and therefore had no power. Suddenly, I felt the bedroom shake like an earthquake happened. (We had previously experienced earthquake tremors in Augsburg so I knew exactly what one felt like). A man appeared at the foot of the bed that I was lying on. Then I heard an audible, loud voice say to me, ***“Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” (Matthew 28:20)*** (I started crying.) His voice was like the voice of a great waterfall. The sound came from everywhere at once and filled the room. I knew right away that it was Jesus, because they were the red-letter words of Jesus from the Bible that was spoken to me.

The demons were rebuked by his presence. Although He never addressed them, they stopped tormenting me and left. He stayed only for a few seconds afterwards and just disappeared, as the proverbial saying goes, into thin air. I knew that I had been very gently rebuked for not taking authority myself, but yet reminded and protected because of His love for me.

JOHN 20:19 *Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, **Peace be unto you.***

JOHN 20:26 *And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, **Peace be unto you.***

He brought peace unto me just as he had the disciples. The spirit world is real. Even more real than what we see every day with our natural eyes. For what we see, comes from what we cannot see in the supernatural realm. **Hebrews 11:3** *By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.*

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