

“Son” Flowers... A Devotional by the members of New Hope Church in Cooper, TX

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Scripture Verse Reference: Ephesians 1:13-14 ***“In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.”*** (NKJV)

Glimpses of Heaven

For those who know me, it’s safe to say you’ve heard me describe a *Heart Hug*. That’s the term I use for when my heart connects with God’s. Often prefaced by the sudden onset of tears, God’s love embraces my soul, filling me with His peace and joy. I experience these whenever we connect through prayer and praise. While reading in Ephesians this morning, the Holy Spirit gave me a special blessing. He showed me that each time I receive a *Heart Hug*; I am given a glimpse of heaven.



In those moments of pure fellowship with God, the Holy Spirit shows what it will be like when I one day reach heaven's glory. God shows me that upon my arrival, my eternal life will be one everlasting *Heart Hug*. The worries, pain, and sorrows of humanity washed away. Whatever my assignment in heaven, I will labor in joy as all will be for God’s glory. The sheer joy of knowing I will spend eternity in celebration, honor, love, and praise brings me great inner peace. For all the beauty of heaven promised in God’s Word, I most long to sit at Jesus’ feet and learn all of life’s mysteries my finite mind could never comprehend.

I wish also to be among the throngs of angels and saints who protected and guided me in my earthly life. Celebration at reunions with loved ones surrounds us. Angels sing of God’s glory. We stand to honor God not as individuals, but as His dear children. We become the glorified family of faith that shares in the righteousness of our Lord. There will be no more differences, denominations, doctrines, or ordinances separating us; only the family of God.

Oh how I praise God for sending me these momentary reminders of His love throughout my days. When the Holy Spirit stirs my soul, He reminds that I am God’s. In these precious moments of peace, joy, and love, He restores my hope. With each tiny glimpse of heaven, I receive tangible proof of Christ’s promise of eternal life in God’s presence.

I pray each of you seek your glimpses of heaven each day. God has an endless way of being present in our lives. A stranger’s smile, satisfaction felt when you’ve glorified Him, or maybe a *Heart Hug*—overwhelmed by His love. In whatever form God reveals heaven to you, seek His presence in your life often.