

**The Greatest Promise**  
**Pt. 3 – The Eternal Feast of Heaven**  
**Luke 22:14-19**  
**(pages 720 or 1044)**



**“Spiritually, addiction is a deep-seated form of idolatry. The objects of our addictions become our false gods. These are what we worship, what we attend to, where we give our time and energy, *instead of love*. Addiction then displaces and supplants God’s love as the source and object of our deepest and true desire.” (Gerald May, *Addiction and Grace*, pg. 13)**

**“There have been times when I think that we do not desire heaven; but more often I find myself wondering whether, in our heart of hearts, we have ever desired anything else.”  
(C.S. Lewis, *The Problem of Pain*, pg. 149)**

**Ecclesiastes 3:11 – He has placed  
eternity in their hearts.**

# **The Deep & Eternal Joy of Heaven**

# **1. Re-claiming Pleasure**

**“All contemporary pleasures are designed by God to point us toward the final Heaven...Our enjoyment of pleasure is participating in God’s own pleasure.”**

**- Scot McKnight**

**Luke 22:14-19**  
**(also Revelation 19:7-9)**



## **2. Love Wins**

**1 John 4:16 – God is love.**

### **3. Heaven as Eternal Life**

**How can we move forward in this?**

**Gerald May suggests two things  
that can help guide us:**

- 1. We are not yet perfect—We are  
redeemed and moving toward  
our completion in Christ.**

**2. Our incompleteness is a gift—We can lean into our deepest longing which must be rightly focused on God and his love.**

# **The Story of Zeke Holt**

## **Benediction:**

**<sup>23</sup>Now may the God of peace sanctify you completely. And may your whole spirit, soul and body be keep sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup>He who calls you is faithful; he will do it. - 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24**