

Eternal

Almost every time you read eternal in most Bibles you are reading a translation error. Does that scare you?

The Greek word *aion* means an age of time...and its adjectives like *aionios* and *aionian* like all adjectives, describe the noun...they describe the age of **time**.

The words Eternity and eternal are NOT TIME WORDS. Most people today think that eternity is a very long time...time without end. But eternity is outside of time. Time was created by the Father. Eternity is.

God is the I AM. He is not a very old person. You cannot measure how old God is for He has NO BEGINNING AND NO END. He is the Eternal One...who created time as part of His whole creation.

When you die your spirit leaves your body and as such—is in eternity proper. There is No time in the spirit it is God's realm. But God's plan is that we be resurrected into physical bodies again. Those in heaven now **long** to be in a new body again. Without a body the spirit cannot express itself. A spirit can not eat and drink as Jesus Himself said. A spirit cannot touch or be touched. A spirit cannot tell someone they love them. A spirit cannot build anything —We need a physical body and a soul to unite with our spirit to make us complete humans in the likeness of God.

Thus heaven is NOT THE GOAL of the believer! The resurrection is our goal. Coming back into the physical world that God made, but this time in a resurrected body like Jesus has. Back to time...I got diverted, thx Lord Jesus!

Time that has already passed is HIStory...and History is broken up or expressed during many eons or aions or ages of time. Just as there are yet more ages of time in the future. For

instance we are told that there will be a 1000 year age of time when Christ Jesus returns. Paul also says God shall declare(show) the Good news of His saving grace in the ages to come—Eph 2:7

When we talk about receiving eternal life we do so because that is what most Bible translations say. It is not correct. It is correct to say that we receive the life(zoe) of the age to come.

That age to come is what all Jews look forward to —the Age of Messiah as spoken of in the Psalms and the Prophets. We call it the Messianic reign or the Millenium.

The life of the age to come ensures that we rule and reign with Jesus during that age.

However we can miss that Age, hence Jesus' many warnings. But if we think in terms of eternal life and eternal punishment then much of the Scriptures do not make sense.

Eternity is not given much attention by God in the Scriptures. We are only given a peek into what the future ages still yet to come shall be like. But these are all periods of time...unknown lengths of time at that.

After the last Age has come to it's end and all things have been accomplished which God set out to do...THEN...eternity.

I wrote it that way—then eternity...because eternity does NOT BEGIN. It is not related to time in any way!! Eternity is!! Trouble is we have had centuries and centuries of wrong teaching and wrong definitions from the wrong word used by translators —who by the way were humans just like you and me.

Now I know I am treading on toes and touching sacred cows here...Many will say that the Holy Bible—the English version they mean...is without error, infallible!! No. The Greek and Hebrew versions were without error — but translators ever

since have been influenced by their learning and church background as to what they thought a word meant.

Anyway... ?

Mat_19:16 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have **eternal(aeonion) life**?

Mat_25:46 And these shall go away into **everlasting(aeonion) punishment**: but the righteous into **life eternal(aeonion)**.

Mar_3:29 But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of **eternal (aeonion)damnation**:

Mar_10:17 And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit**eternal(aeonion) life**?

Mar_10:30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come **eternal(aeonion) life**.

Luk_10:25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit **eternal (aeonion)life**?

Luk_18:18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit **eternal (aeonion)life**?

Joh_3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have**eternal(aeonion) life**.

Joh_4:36 And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto **life(aeonion)eternal**: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

Joh_5:39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have **eternal(aeonion)life**: and they are they which testify of me.

Joh_6:54 Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath **eternal(aeonion)life**; and I will raise him up at the last day.

Joh_6:68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of **eternal(aeonion) life**.

Joh_10:28 And I give unto them **eternal(aeonion) life**; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Joh_12:25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto **life(aeonion) eternal**.

Joh_17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give **eternal(aeonion) life** to as many as thou hast given him.

Joh_17:3 And this is **life eternal(aeonion)**, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

Act_13:48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to **eternal(aeonion) life** believed.

Rom_1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his **eternal(aidios)power** and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

Rom_2:7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, **eternal(aeonion) life**:

Rom_5:21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might

grace reign through righteousness
unto **eternal(aeonion) life** by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom_6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is **eternal(aeonion)life** through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2Co_4:17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and **eternal(aeonion) weight** of glory;

2Co_4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are **eternal(aeonion)**.

2Co_5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, **eternal (aeonion)** in the heavens.

Eph_3:11 According to the **eternal(aion) purpose** which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

1Ti_1:17 Now unto the King **eternal(aion)**, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

1Ti_6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on **eternal(aeonion) life**, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

1Ti_6:19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on **eternal (aeonion)life**.

2Ti_2:10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with **eternal(aeonion) glory**.

Tit_1:2 In hope of **eternal(aeonion) life**, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Tit_3:7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of **eternal(aeonion) life**.

Heb_5:9 And being made perfect, he became the author of **eternal(aeonion)salvation** unto all them that obey him;

Heb_6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of **eternal(aeonion) judgment**.

Heb_9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained **eternal(aeonion)redemption** for us.

Heb_9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the **eternal(aeonion)Spirit** offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Heb_9:15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of **eternal(aeonion)inheritance**.

1Pe_5:10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his **eternal(aeonion)glory** by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

1Jn_1:2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that **eternal(aeonion) life**, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)

1Jn_2:25 And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even **eternal(aeonion) life**.

1Jn_3:15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath **eternal(aeonion) life** abiding in him.

1Jn_5:11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us **eternal(aeonion) life**, and this life is in his Son.

1Jn_5:13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have **eternal (aeonion)life**, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.