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Sermon Notes:

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Sermon Text: Luke 20:27–44

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Sermon Title: Eternal Realities

Main Idea: Our hope lies in eternal realities rather than current circumstances.

Breaking the Ice

- Describe the types of circumstances that tend to leave you feeling discouraged.

Excavating the Truth

- Reread Luke 20:27–44
- How does the parenthetical note in verse 27 help us understand the heart of the question in verse 33?
- How does the cultural assumption of Jesus' day that a prior generation is superior to the present one affect the questions of verses 41–44?

Applying the Truth Personally

- How does this passage cause me to adjust my vision of heaven as a continuation of this life??

- What is my initial reaction to the idea that marriage will not continue in eternity? Why do I have this reaction?

Applying the Truth Congregationally

- How can we use our passage today to comfort fellow-believers when loved ones die, especially when it is a spouse?

- How can we apply verse 35 to our evangelistic efforts?

Digging Deeper

- Read Exodus 3:1–6. How does the verb tense of 3:5 make Jesus' point of Luke 20:37? In a similar vein, what is significant about the present tense of "calls" in Luke 20:37?
- Read Psalm 110 from the Legacy Standard Bible below, noting the distinction between God, the Messiah, and David.
 - 1 Yahweh says to my Lord:
"Sit at My right hand
Until I put Your enemies as a footstool for Your feet."
 - 2 Yahweh will stretch forth Your strong scepter from Zion, *saying*,
"Have dominion in the midst of Your enemies."
 - 3 Your people will offer themselves freely in the day of Your power;
In the splendor of holiness, from the womb of the dawn,
The dew of Your youthfulness will be Yours.
 - 4 Yahweh has sworn and will not change His mind,
"You are a priest forever
According to the order of Melchizedek."
 - 5 The Lord is at Your right hand;
He will crush kings in the day of His anger.
 - 6 He will render justice among the nations,
He will fill *them* with corpses,
He will crush the head *that is* over *the* wide earth.
 - 7 He will drink from the brook by the wayside;
Therefore He will lift up *His* head.

How do the distinctions of verse 1 affect Jesus' questions of Luke 20:41 and 44? Develop of list of expectations this psalm sets for the coming Messiah.

Looking Ahead

- Read Luke 20:45–21:4 daily.