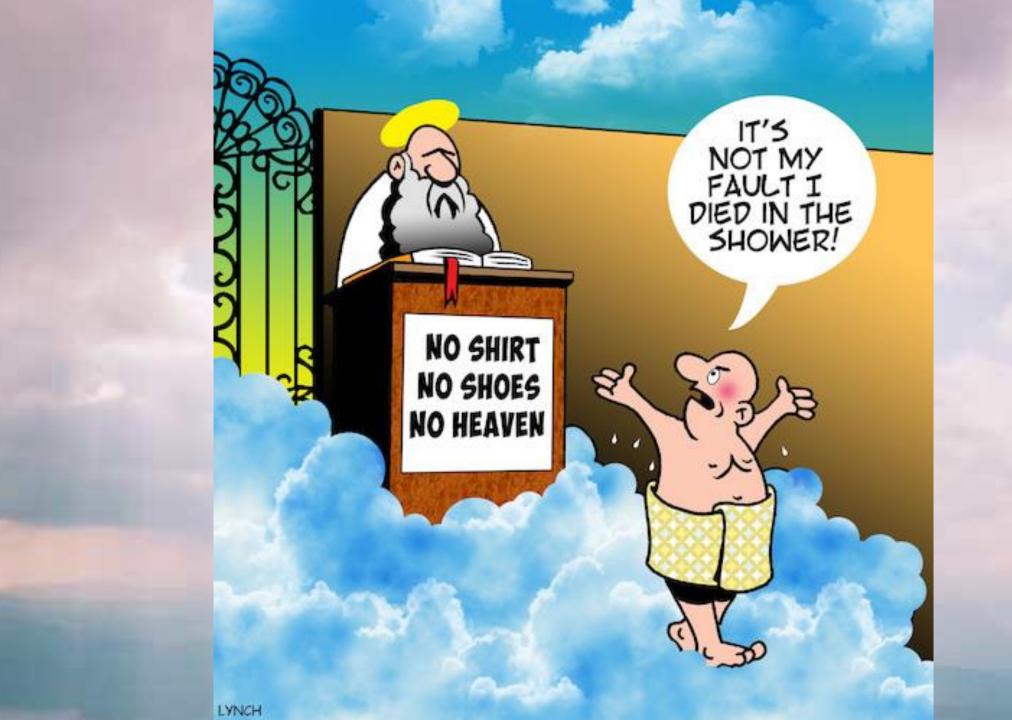
Philippians 1:23 I'm torn between two desires: I long to go and be with Christ, which would be far better for me. (NLT)



Luke 16:22 "The time came when the beggar (Lazarus) died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was in torment,"

"For those of us with loved ones now in heaven/paradise, do you think that they are aware of things happening on earth?"

I Felt the Light of Heaven

For on the day I left this earth
I felt your many tears,
And now I watch you from above
and keep you very near;

Hebrews 12:1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ...

Luke 15:10 "In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

How can there be no more tears in heaven when some of our friends or loved ones are not there because of their unbelief?

Regeneration -> Sanctification -> Glorification