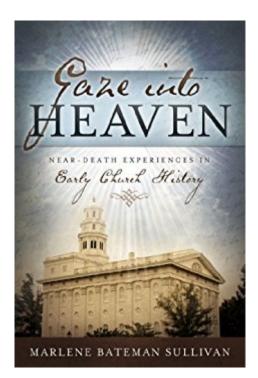


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# Gaze Into Heaven: Near-Death Experiences In Early Church History





## Synopsis

Gaze Into Heaven is a compilation of fifty documented near-death experiences of life beyond the veil, drawn from the early history of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Filled with insight and inspiration, this book melds engrossing personal experiences with perceptive commentary, scripture, and quotes from latter-day Prophets. After reading this book, you won't ever think of life---or death---the same way.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book does a nice job of recounting near death experience stories. But being a person who questions much about the afterlife, I did not feel satisfied after reading this book. In a few of the stories the "dead" person is asked about the living? My Mom died last year and I often wonder if she has any knowledge about my life and current experiences? There seems to be discrepancies on whether the dead are aware of us or not. The scriptures basically say that the dead rest from their sorrows. Of course, if they witness our lives they would undoubtedly experience sorrow watching

our afflictions UNLESS they can see our trials from a totally different perspective?? I hoped the author would address and pull together all of the scriptures and these experiences in an attempt to explain WHY some of those in the spirit world had to ask about the living. I have a hard time believing that a loving God would not allow knowledge of the living from the spirit world. Apparently they do know when temple work has been done.... I also found it curious how several of them viewed their own bodies with disdain. On earth, I believe the goal is to integrate the body, mind and spirit. Acceptance of ourselves as God's creation and children brings self-esteem. Society is geared toward self-loathing as we are told age is abominable through all types of media which tell us to buy products that make us younger, better, and more appealing. It's interesting to know the reports of those who die and return....but more interesting to address how the scriptures and near death experiences tie together to teach us how to live and die successfully. I liked the summary she gives at the end and found it useful.

Thoroughly enjoyed. It confirmed stories my husband and I as heard as children coming from two different cultures, he's Native American and I'm Polynesian. I learned a lot and I felt the spirit testify to me as a I read. It complimented what I already knew as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Thank you!

Gaze Into Heaven is a wonderful study of experiences told by early LDS members. The author knows what she is talking about and is familiar with major works and studies on the topic. She organizes well. I love that she includes both scripture and words of prophets and apostles to compare and expand the experiences. It is fascinating to me to hear the actual words and see the writings as they came from the time period. Many of the experiences are like testimonies. Rather than every detail they are accounts of what was important to the person who had the experience.

Whether a member of the LDS church or not, everyone will be enlightened on what to expect when we cross over to our heavenly home. And isn't that what we all want to know? A place of unconditional love. A place we won't have anything to fear. The things we need to know to be able to live with Jesus.

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Marlene Sullivan pulled together the near death experiences I've wanted to read about- those from members throughout the Restored church's history, adding confirmation to what the LDS Church

has taught all along.

The detail and organization of the book was clear in each chapter. I was so fascinated by the details of each experience. It opened my mind to more clarity of what heaven might be. It somehow also eased my anxiety about dying. It increased my faith that there is so much more beyond this life experience. I recommend it as a "must read".

There are precepts in this book among the stories, that I already absolutely knew to be true. I think it is a well organized, well researched, and very hopeful collection of wonderful experiences!

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