



Resources

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Revelation 21:1-8

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. 7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. 8 But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

- I. The New Heaven and the New Earth (1-3)
- II. The Old Heaven and the Old Earth (4)
- III. The Purposes of God in the New Creation (5-6)
- IV. The Conqueror or the Coward (7-8)

Life Group Leader Notes:





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- How often do you talk about heaven with your family and friends? Do you think it is true that 'if you're too heavenly-minded, you'll be no earthly good'? Explain.

 - Those who fall asleep on earth now will later be raised and given with physical bodies in the new heavens and new earth. What does that teach us to think about our physical bodies today?

 - What do we normally imagine when we think of heaven? What do we tend to look forward to? According to Revelation 21:3, what is the most important and best part of heaven?

 - The character of the Christ-follower is that of a conqueror and those who do not follow Christ are called cowardly and unbelieving. What does this description suggest about our disposition toward the world and toward the Gospel? Can we be described as such? How can we become more like conquerors in our faith this week?

 - In Revelation 21:4 we read that God Himself will wipe away the tears of suffering from our eyes: the mourning, crying, death, and pain. What does that promise offer to you today? How does it offer hope to those suffering around you?

