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2 PETER

3:13

Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- After the Tribulation; after the Battle of Armageddon; after the Millennial Reign of Christ on the Earth; after the Final Defeat of Satan; after the Great White Throne Judgment; after the devil, his angels, death and hell are thrown into the Lake of Fire along with anyone whose names are not written in The Lamb's Book of Life; after the heavens and the earth and its works are dissolved and the elements melt with a Fervent Heat; God will create A New Heaven and A New Earth.
- 2. New Jerusalem, God's holy city, will sit upon the earth as a Bride which has been adorned for her Husband.
- 3. God will dwell on earth with man.
- 4. There will be no more crying nor death nor sorrow nor pain.
- 5. Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life may enter that city.

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Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

REVELATION 21:14-15



But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

2 PETER *3:10*

For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.

ISAIAH 65:17

New Jerusalem, God's holy city, will sit upon the earth as a Bride which has been adorned for her Husband.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; For behold, I create Jerusalem as a rejoicing, And her people a joy.

ISAIAH 65:18

Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

> REVELATION 21:2

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And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

REVELATION

21:3

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, And joy in My people; The voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, Nor the voice of crying.

ISAIAH 65:19

There will be no more crying nor death nor sorrow nor pain.

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

REVELATION

21:4

I have heard people say there is no crying in heaven ... however, that is not an accurate account of the scriptures. Note this scripture which is used as the basis for that inaccuracy clearly paints the picture of God wiping the tears from eyes which have evidently known such great sorrow. And, to portray the true account, this event is not happening in heaven but rather upon the new earth in the Holy City of New Jerusalem.

I believe there will be many tears in heaven for those awaiting this new day. These tears will no doubt include the sorrow we will have over the wasted opportunities each one was given to share the Gospel with a soul now lost for eternity. Many loved ones will not be in heaven ...

Only God and God alone can wipe those tears from our eyes. Let's continue reading about that coming day:

Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son."

21:5-7

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

> **REVELATION** 21:9-14



The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night there). And they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

REVELATION 21:21-27

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

REVELATION 22:1-5

Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life may enter that city.

You have a future. In fact, you have an eternity ahead of you. Where will you spend eternity ... in New Jerusalem or in the lake of fire? What about your friends, family members, coworkers, fellow students, this generation or generations to come? Not everyone has heard the Good News yet!

But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth he has promised, a world filled with God's righteousness. And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to happen, make every effort to be found living peaceful lives that are pure and blameless in his sight. And remember, the Lord's patience gives people time to be saved. This is what our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you with the wisdom God gave him—

> **2 PETER** *3:13-15*

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