A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH

20:20 BIBLE STUDY NOTES

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A New Heaven and a New Earth

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

³I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. ⁴He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever."

⁵ And the one sitting on the throne said, "Look, I am making everything new!" And then he said to me, "Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true." ⁶ And he also said, "It is finished! I am the Alpha and the Omega—the Beginning and the End. To all who are thirsty I will give freely from the springs of the water of life. ⁷ All who are victorious will inherit all these blessings, and I will be their God, and they will be my children.

⁸ "But cowards, unbelievers, the corrupt, murderers, the immoral, those who practice witchcraft, idol worshippers, and all liars—their fate is in the fiery lake of burning sulphur. This is the second death."

⁹ Then one of the seven angels who held the seven bowls containing the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come with me! I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

¹⁰ So he took me in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and he showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God. ¹¹ It shone with the glory of God and sparkled like a precious stone—like jasper as clear as crystal. ¹² The city wall was broad and high, with twelve gates guarded by twelve angels. And the names of the twelve tribes of Israel were written on the gates. ¹³ There were three gates on each side—east, north, south, and west. ¹⁴ The wall of the city had twelve foundation stones, and on them were written the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. (Revelation 21:1-21:14)

The Bible is full of wonderful promises, but perhaps the most wonderful of all is this: *"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him."*(1 Corinthians 2:9).

There are many things we do not know about what heaven will be like, because it is beyond our ability to comprehend. But one thing we can be sure of is that it will fulfil our greatest longings, it will dazzle us with its beauty, it will obliterate our greatest problems with its power and splendour, it will be greater than anything we could imagine or dream, it will be a place where love and joy will reign unspoiled. God is busy preparing all of this for us. God is preparing our eternal home. Jesus said, "There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am." (John 14:2-3).

Many people do not understand what God has prepared for those who love Him.

Some people imagine heaven as sitting on a cloud wearing a halo, while little angels play harps as they float through the heavens.

Some imagine it as an unending church service, or singing hymns for all eternity.

Some think of it as a sort of a celestial retirement city. It all seems like an apparition — so unreal.

It's no wonder that some people perceive heaven as a place of numbing boredom, or secretly think to themselves, "Is that all there is?"

Heaven will be real.

Heaven will not be some ethereal existence where we float about as spirits without bodies.

Why would God take the trouble to create a new earth if there was not going to be anyone to live on it?

Why would we be given new bodies if we were not going to live in a physical world?

The Bible teaches us that we were originally created to live on Earth dwellers in a physical world.

Adam and Eve were not placed on a cloud, but on the Earth.

Will Heaven be Eden restored?

We have been living east of Eden since Adam and Eve sinned, but the day will come when the original paradise God intended us to be a part of will be restored. The new Jerusalem is not floating somewhere beyond space, in Revelation 21:2 it comes down to earth.

The Bible contains this promise concerning the earth: "For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who His children really are. ²⁰ Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse. But with eager hope, ²¹ the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay." (Romans 8:19-21). Heaven will be a real place with real, meaningful and rewarding work for us to do. Heaven will be the fulfilment of what we pray in the Lord's Prayer: "*Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.*" (Matthew 6:10).

The Bible says, "But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief. Then the heavens will pass away with a terrible noise, and the very elements themselves will disappear in fire, and the earth and everything on it will be found to deserve judgment. ¹¹ Since everything around us is going to be destroyed like this, what holy and godly lives you should live, ¹² looking forward to the day of God and hurrying it along. On that day, He will set the heavens on fire, and the elements will melt away in the flames. ¹³ But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth he has promised, a world filled with God's righteousness." (2 Peter 3:10-13).

The old earth will pass away and God will create a new earth which will be the home of righteousness. It will not be a strange apparition, but the real world we have known, only new and better.

T. S. Elliot wrote:

"We shall not cease from exploration And the end of all our exploring Will be to arrive where we started And know the place for the first time."

If this fallen world in all of its brokenness can be so wonderful, what must heaven be like?

Heaven will be right.

Heaven will be a place of righteousness, or right-ness. All the wrongs of the world will be made right.

It will be a place where:

- Everything evil is absent, and everything good is present.
- Everything sad will be gone, and only joy will exist.
- Everything disappointing will disappear, and everything exciting will appear.
- Everything depressing will be gone, and everything hopeful will come.
- Everything violent and hateful will be gone, and everything of love will prevail.
- Every unfaithfulness will be in the past, and steadfast loyalty will be present.
- Everything detestable will be gone, and everything desirable will be with us.
- Every sickness will be gone, and complete wholeness will take over our lives.

• Every struggle, frustration & failure will be over, only success will be possible.

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever." (Revelation 21:4).

- Every wrong done to you in this world will be made right.
- Every injustice will meet with justice.
- Every sorrow will be reversed, and joy will wash over you like a waterfall. The prophet Isaiah wrote: "Look! I am creating new heavens and a new earth, and no one will even think about the old ones anymore." (Isaiah 65:17).

"They will not work in vain, and their children will not be doomed to misfortune. For they are people blessed by the Lord, and their children, too, will be blessed. ²⁴ I will answer them before they even call to me. While they are still talking about their needs, I will go ahead and answer their prayers! ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb will feed together. The lion will eat hay like a cow. But the snakes will eat dust. In those days no one will be hurt or destroyed on my holy mountain. I, the Lord, have spoken!" (Isaiah 65:23-25).

The corrupted, fallen part of the world will be gone, and God will restore the world to the way it was meant to be in the beginning — unspoiled by human sin.

 Everything false will disappear, and everything good and true will prevail. The Bible says, "Nothing evil [ceremonially unclean] will be allowed to enter, nor anyone who practices shameful idolatry and dishonesty—but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life." (Revelation 21:27).

Heaven will be relational.

If you belong to Christ, you will meet again those you have lost who have known Christ and lived for Him. We will experience relationships at a level we have never known before. Deep, rewarding and fulfilling relationships will be the hallmark of heaven.

On Earth we let each other down and disappoint each other. Many times, without knowing it, we hurt each other and fail each other. But there, "*let me reveal to you a wonderful secret. We will not all die, but we will all be transformed!* ⁵² *It will happen in a moment, in the blink of an eye, when the last trumpet is blown. For when the trumpet sounds, those who have died will be raised to live forever. And we who are living will also be transformed.*" (1 Corinthians 15:51-52).

The apostle John wrote, "*Dear friends, we are already God's children, but He has not yet shown us what we will be like when Christ appears. But we do know that we will be like Him, for we will see Him as He really is.*" (1 John 3:2).

Our fallen, imperfect nature will be healed and we will be capable of relationships that we cannot even imagine here and now.

Our relationship with God will be healed as well. No more will our love for God be compromised by a selfish love for ourselves and an enchantment with the things of the world.

Our love for God and our relationship with Him will be unspoiled. There will be nothing between us — no separation. Our sinful nature will be taken away, and we will no longer struggle with sin and temptation.

Our relationship with God will be so intimate that the book of Revelation describes it as a bride coming to her husband — full of love and passion, with arms open wide.

Heaven will be rewarding.

John does the best he can at describing heaven, but he is limited by language and experience. He has never seen anything like this before, and he finds it impossible to fully depict what he witnesses in this vision.

He talks about walls made out of translucent gold built on foundations made with precious jewels; gates made of a single pearl and streets of gold. The richness of heaven is so great that they use gold as paving material! Jewels are used for foundation stones!

What a place this must be! It is so rich and real that the things of greatest value on earth are commonplace. It is so beautiful that he describes it with the best comparisons he can make.

Perhaps you have worked very hard on earth. You have been faithful to God. You have done your best. You have kept your life free from any major sin. Yet it feels like nothing has gone right for you.

Your health is bad, your finances are worse, your children have made bad choices and your relationships seem unfulfiling.

You may even say with the Psalmist: "*Did I keep my heart pure for nothing? Did I keep myself innocent for no reason?*" (Psalm 73:13). It all seems so unfair. Where is the justice? Justice is not far away, but it is going to happen in another place.

Justice does not always happen in this world. This is not heaven, and we should not expect it to be.

The accounts are settled and our rewards are given in another place and another time. That is what heaven is all about. It is delayed gratification, but gratification nonetheless.

C. S. Lewis in his book The Problem of Pain, struggles with the problems caused by the pains of life. He wrote, "Our Father refreshes us on the journey with some pleasant inns, but will not encourage us to mistake them for home."

Home is on its way, but it is not here yet. "And the one sitting on the throne said, "Look, I am making everything new!" And then He said to me, "Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true." (Revelation 21:5)

Jesus said, "Look, I am coming soon, bringing my reward with me to repay all people according to their deeds." (Revelation 22:12).

In heaven:

- Every sacrifice you have made will be remembered.
- Every sorrow you have experienced will be dispelled with countless joys.
- Every rejection will be overcome by an explosion of love.
- Every work will be rewarded.
- Far from every mistake being brought out, every good thing will be honoured.

Heaven will be the residence of God.

The greatest reward of heaven will be God Himself. Nothing we see or experience will be greater than the fact that we are with God and see Him face to face.

The Apostle Paul wrote: "Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely." (1 Corinthians 13:12).

How wonderful it will be to be in the presence of God where we will perfectly know Him and know that we are perfectly known and loved.

John wrote: "I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among His people! He will live with them, and they will be His people. God Himself will be with them." (Revelation 21:3).

We will have no greater reward or relationship than being with our wonderful God and seeing Him face to face.

"All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by His great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, ⁴and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. ⁵ And through your faith, God is protecting you by His power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see." (1 Peter 1:3-5). In C. S. Lewis' books The Chronicles of Narnia, the characters who have lived in Narnia have completed their time and work there.

In a closing chapter entitled "Further Up and Further In," Aslan, the lion who represents Christ, has come for them in order to take them home.

They are headed away from Narnia and are about to enter Aslan's land. But they are met with familiar scenes. One of the characters cries out: "I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now. The reason why we loved the old Narnia is that it sometimes looked a little like this."

When we enter heaven, we will say, "This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now. The reason why we loved the old earth so much is that it sometimes looked a little like this."

It will be a new earth — restored and redeemed — the place we were meant to live. At that time we will say with the Psalmist: "*The land you have given me is a pleasant land. What a wonderful inheritance!*" (Psalm 16:6).

"The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." Let anyone who hears this say, "Come." Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires drink freely from the water of *life.*" (Revelation 22:17).

Eternity is Forever.

Every second 3 people die, 180 per minute, 11,000 per hour, 250,000 per day, when people die the bible is clear that they go to Heaven or Hell. The reality is everyone will die and go somewhere.

Sadly, most people in this world believe they are good enough to go to Heaven, however the Bible is clear that many people will not, if you go to any funeral of someone who was not a believer, the vicar or the priest will probably read from Psalm 23 - *"…and they will dwell in the house of the Lord forever…"* as if the assumption is that verse belongs to everybody, when we know that scripture and that promise is for God's people who have given their lives to Jesus Christ.

"You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. ¹⁴ But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it. (Matthew 7:13-14)

There may be many religions - there may appear to be many alternatives but the Bible is clear that there is only one way to God, and only one way to Heaven, one, and that way is through faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have faith in Jesus as your personal saviour and Lord then there is a great truth for you to trust in, the words of Jesus Himself when He said:

"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me.² There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?³ When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am." (John 14:1-3)

Do you look forward to going to Heaven?

How can we be sure there is a Heaven? Humans have always longed for such a place. If you examine any culture in any time period of history, you will find some sort of belief in an afterlife. God would not plant in the soul a universal longing like that without making some provision for it.

God says there is such a place as Heaven. God's word is more important, relevant and true than opinion or conjecture of all the philosophers and scientists in all the world. The Bible is full of wonderful promises, one of the most wonderful is: *"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him."* (1 Corinthians 2:9).

Heaven will be ready.

Heaven has been prepared for us, it is ready for our arrival. There will be no "under construction" signs when we arrive! There will be no scurrying around trying to find a dwelling for you, if the Lord were to call you home today. Because Heaven will be ready.

God loves beauty, He put so much of it in this world. The butterfly's wing with all those gorgeous hues; the thousands of colours that appear in a sunset; the red rose, the white lily; the beauty of the rainbow; God did it all! He made everything beautiful and sin has marred it, and in Heaven you'll find God's beauty at its best!

GENESIS	REVELATION
1:1 - Heavens & earth created	21:1 - New heavens & earth
1:16 - Sun created	21:23 - No need for the sun
1:5 - Night established	22:5 - No night there
1:10 - The seas created	21:1 - No more seas
3:14-17 - The curse announced	22:3 - No more curse
3:19 - Death enters history	21:4 - No more death
3:24 - Man driven from paradise	22:14 - Man restored to paradise
3:17 - Sorrow & pain began	21:4 - No more tears or pain

Genesis brought to completion in Revelation

D. L. Moody described Heaven as: "A city without pain, a city without sorrow, without sickness, without death. There is no darkness there. The Lamb is the light thereof. It needs no sun, it needs no moon. The paradise of Eden was as nothing compared with this one. The tempter came into Eden and triumphed, but in that city nothing that defileth shall ever enter. There will be no temper there. Think of a place where temptation cannot come. Think of a place where we will be free from sin; where pollution cannot enter, and where the righteous shall reign forever. Think of a city that is not built with hands, where the buildings do not grow old with time; a city whose inhabitants no census has numbered except the Book of Life, which is a heavenly directory. Think of a city through whose streets runs no tide of business, where no nodding hearses creep slowly with their burdens to the tomb; a city without griefs or graves, without sins or sorrows, without marriages or mournings, without births or burials; a city which glories in having Jesus for its king, angels for its guards, and whose citizens are saints!"

As Christian, in the Pilgrim's Progress drew near to the Heavenly City, he saw the gates opened to receive others. "I looked in after them," he says, "and, behold, the city shone like the sun; the streets also were paved with gold, and in them walked many who had crowns on their heads and palms in their hands and golden harps to sing praises withal. There were some that had wings, and they answered one another without intermission, saying 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!' And after that they shut up the gates; which, when I had seen, I wished myself among them.

To be among them, take the hand of Jesus and let Him lead you on through the duties and responsibilities of life, and up the steeps and over the rough places, and at last through the gates into the city.

What Will Heaven Be Like?

"Heaven is the most marvellous place the wisdom of God could conceive and that the power of God could prepare." R.G. Lee

Asking questions about Heaven may seem like asking questions about Katmandu, Kuala Lumpur, or some other exotic place you are unlikely to see firsthand—an occasion for speculation. But writing about Heaven is not really like writing about faraway places with strange-sounding names, for writing about Heaven is really writing about God.

A creation reflects a Creator and the laws of a kingdom, the ideals of the King. So asking whether we will have sex in Heaven or whether our pets will be there is really asking what kind of God we serve and what his best intentions are for our eternity. In this study we will attempt the impossible: to answer some of the frequently asked questions about Heaven.

The Rich Man and Lazarus Luke 16:19-31 (NLT)

¹⁹ Jesus said, "There was a certain rich man who was splendidly clothed in purple and fine linen and who lived each day in luxury. ²⁰ At his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus who was covered with sores. ²¹ As Lazarus lay there longing for scraps from the rich man's table, the dogs would come and lick his open sores.

²² "Finally, the poor man died and was carried by the angels to sit beside Abraham at the heavenly banquet. [Greek to Abraham's bosom] The rich man also died and was buried, ²³ and he went to the place of the dead.[Greek to Hades.] There, in torment, he saw Abraham in the far distance with Lazarus at his side.

²⁴ "The rich man shouted, 'Father Abraham, have some pity! Send Lazarus over here to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue. I am in anguish in these flames.'

²⁵ "But Abraham said to him, 'Son, remember that during your lifetime you had everything you wanted, and Lazarus had nothing. So now he is here being comforted, and you are in anguish. ²⁶ And besides, there is a great chasm separating us. No one can cross over to you from here, and no one can cross over to us from there.'

²⁷ "Then the rich man said, 'Please, Father
Abraham, at least send him to my father's home.
²⁸ For I have five brothers, and I want him to warn
them so they don't end up in this place of torment.'

²⁹ "But Abraham said, 'Moses and the prophets have warned them. Your brothers can read what they wrote.'

³⁰ "The rich man replied, 'No, Father Abraham! But if someone is sent to them from the dead, then they will repent of their sins and turn to God.'

³¹ "But Abraham said, 'If they won't listen to Moses and the prophets, they won't be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.""

HADES – Old Testament

In the Septuagint (an ancient translation of the Hebrew Bible into Greek), the Greek term ἄδης (Hades) is used to translate the Hebrew term לואש (Sheol) in, for example, Isaiah 38:18.

HADES – New Testament In New Testament Greek, the Hebrew phrase "שׁפּנ בזעת־אל" (you will not abandon my soul to Sheol) in Psalm 16:10 is quoted in Acts 2:27 as "οὐκ ἐγκαταλείψεις τὴν ψυχήν μου εἰς ἅδου" (you will not abandon my soul to Hades).

In the Textus Receptus version of the New Testament, on which the English King James Version is based, the word "ἄδης" (Hades), appears 11 times; but critical editions of the text of 1 Corinthians 15:55 have "θάνατος" (death) in place of "ἄδης".

Except in this verse of 1 Corinthians, where it uses "grave", the King James Version translates " $\mathring{q}\delta\eta\varsigma$ " as "hell". Modern translations, for which there are only 10 instances of the word " $\mathring{q}\delta\eta\varsigma$ " in the New Testament, generally transliterate it as "Hades".

The word " $\bar{a}\delta\eta\varsigma$ " is usually related to afterlife punishment. The most notable example is Luke's parable of Lazarus and the rich man, in which the rich man finds himself, after death, in Hades, and "in anguish in this flame", while in contrast the angels take Lazarus to "the bosom of Abraham", described as a state of comfort.

Is Luke 16:19-31 a parable or an account of events that actually occurred?

Luke 16:19-31 has been the focus of much controversy. Some take the story of the rich man and Lazarus to be a true, historical account of events that actually occurred; others consider it a parable or allegory.

Those who interpret this narrative as a true incident have several reasons for doing so. First, the story is never called a parable. Many other of Jesus' stories are designated as parables, such as the sower and the seed (Luke 8:4); the prosperous farmer (Luke 12:16); the barren fig tree (Luke 13:6); and the wedding feast (Luke 14:7). Second, the story of the rich man and Lazarus uses the actual name of a person. Such specificity would set it apart from ordinary parables, in which the characters are not named.

Third, this particular story does not seem to fit the definition of a parable, which is a presentation of a spiritual truth using an earthly illustration. The story of the rich man and Lazarus presents spiritual truth directly, with no earthly metaphor. The setting for most of the story is the afterlife, as opposed to the parables, which unfold in earthly contexts.

In contrast, others maintain that this story is a parable and not an actual incident that occurred. They point out that Jesus' standard practice was to use parables in His teaching. They do not consider the above arguments strong enough to warrant classifying the story as anything but a parable. Also, there are some aspects of the account that do not seem to agree with the rest of Scripture. For example, can people in hell and people in heaven see each other and speak to each other?

The important thing is that whether the story is a true incident or a parable, the teaching behind it remains the same. Even if it is not a "real" story, it is realistic. Parable or not, Jesus plainly used this story to teach that after death the unrighteous are eternally separated from God, that they remember their rejection of the Gospel, that they are in torment, and that their condition cannot be remedied. In Luke 16:19-31, whether parable or literal account, Jesus clearly taught the existence of heaven and hell as well as the deceitfulness of riches to those who trust in material wealth.

Are there different levels of Heaven?

The closest thing Scripture says to there being different levels of heaven is found in 2 Corinthians 12:2, *"I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows."* Some interpret this as indicating that there are three different levels of heaven, a level for "super-committed Christians" or Christians who have obtained a high level of spirituality, a level for "ordinary" Christians, and a level for Christians who did not serve God faithfully. This view has no basis in Scripture.

Paul is not saying that there are three heavens or even three levels of heaven. In many ancient cultures, people used the term "heaven" to describe three different "realms"—the sky, outer space, and then a spiritual heaven. Although the terms are not specifically biblical, these are commonly known as the terrestrial, telestial, and celestial heavens.

Paul was saying that God took him to the "celestial" heavens, as in the realm in which God dwells. The concept of different levels of heaven may have come in part from Dante's Divine Comedy in which the poet describes both heaven and hell as having nine different levels. The Divine Comedy, however, is a fictional work. The idea of different levels of heaven is foreign to Scripture.

Scripture does speak of different rewards in heaven. Jesus said regarding rewards, *"Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done"* (Revelation 22:12). Jesus said that when He comes He will have with Him rewards to give to people on the basis of what they have done. This shows us that there will be a time of reward for believers. In 2 Timothy 4:7-8, we read the words of Paul as he closes out his ministry: *"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day — and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."*

Only those works that survive God's refining fire have eternal value and will be worthy of reward. Those valuable works are referred to as *"gold, silver, and costly stones"* (1 Corinthians 3:12) and are those things that are built upon the foundation of faith in Christ.

Those works that will not be rewarded are called *"wood, hay, and stubble"*; these are not evil deeds but shallow activities with no eternal value. Rewards will be distributed at the "judgment seat of Christ," a place where believers' lives will be evaluated for the purpose of rewards. "Judgment" of believers never refers to punishment for sin. Jesus Christ was punished for our sin when He died on the cross, and God said about us: *"I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more"* (Hebrews 8:12). What a glorious thought! The Christian need never fear punishment, but can look forward to crowns of reward that he can cast at the feet of the Saviour. In conclusion, there are not different levels of heaven, but there are different levels of reward in heaven.

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