

The New Jerusalem: Revelation 21

This week we get some vivid images of a melding of Heaven and Earth as John pictures it in Revelation 21. Satan, the Beast and all their followers have been dealt with. What remains is the purity of God and the redeemed to enjoy the place God has prepared for us.

"The end has come. John is almost speechless as he sees the final change before God comes to live with his people. Rather than being plucked off of an earth that is about to be destroyed John watches as the New Jerusalem (a symbol of God's presence among his people) comes down onto earth and John's reality and that of heaven are fused.

It challenges our imagination to picture what heaven would be like. May some of the Tintern Kids can help us imagine..." – Noel

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Songs for November 15 to prepare you before Sunday am meeting

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Yahoo! Songs about Heaven! Please take the time to listen before church.

Lots of songs about heaven and longing for heaven where there is no more pain or sorrow. After the week I've had, I found these songs so, so uplifting. Heaven is a Wonderful Place, filled with glory and grace, I want to see my Saviour's face, Heaven is a Wonderful place. This is a fun version...I want this guy to come lead us in singing some day...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BuOVYK3Q2p0>

This 1st song is straight from Revelation 21 verse 2 and one of my favourites. Lyrics below and it is #888 if you have a copy of the hymn book. **Lo! What a Glorious Sight Appears (a capella) 1:34**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQbT2PeQ-UQ>

Lo! What a glorious sight appears To our believing eyes!

The earth and sea are passed away, The earth and sea are passed away,

And the old rolling skies.

From the third heav'n where God resides, That holy, happy place,
The New Jerusalem comes down, The New Jerusalem comes down.
Adorned with shining grace.

The God of glory down to men Removes His blest abode—
Men, the dear objects of His grace, Men, the dear objects of His grace,
And He, the loving God.

How long, dear Saviour, O how long Shall this bright hour delay?
Fly swifter round, ye wheels of time, Fly swifter round, ye wheels of time,
And bring the welcome day!

This song is a beautiful concept from Revelation 21:4 No Tears in Heaven (a capella) 3:06

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d0jewnkcF38>

A very old song but the words are straight from Revelation 21: 15-27 and is #890 in our books.

In the Land of Fadeless Day (a capella) 3:10

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O4MV_zBtRsk

and finally #716 from our books

Sing to Me of Heaven (a capella) 2:12

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b2be9VfUsGo&list=PLYvPuiHFAyZXbHWwhySsi1QjzC2HTF0gG7&index=248>

Bonus Song... Last week we chose Soon and Very Soon which also ties in with the theme of Revelation 21. Here it is again if you want, just a different version.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-B8Bo__cY_s

And if you want to hear another inspiring version of **Soon and Very Soon** sung by Andre Crouch, the original writer of the song, go for it!!! 2:53

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PkrGFwTXiFc>

Kid's Songs this week about Heaven

Heaven is Real, It's a beautiful place

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=csbRqyuZwnE>

Heaven is a Wonderful Place...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jyKIKZzZ1DE>

Revelation 21:1-8 and 22-27

1 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.⁴ ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

⁶ 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 water without cost from the spring of the water of life.⁷ Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children.⁸ But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

⁹ One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of

heaven from God.¹¹ It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.¹² It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel.¹³ There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west.¹⁴ The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

¹⁵ The angel who talked with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city, its gates and its walls.¹⁶ The city was laid out like a square, as long as it was wide. He measured the city with the rod and found it to be 12,000 stadia in length, and as wide and high as it is long.¹⁷ The angel measured the wall using human measurement, and it was 144 cubits thick.¹⁸ The wall was made of jasper, and the city of pure gold, as pure as glass.¹⁹ The foundations of the city walls were decorated with every kind of precious stone. The first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald,²⁰ the fifth onyx, the sixth ruby, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth turquoise, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst.²¹ The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of gold, as pure as transparent glass.

²² I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.²³ The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.²⁵ On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there.²⁶ The glory and honour of the nations will be brought into it.²⁷ Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.