



### ***Heaven- The Ultimate Gift***

Revelation 21:1-5(CEV): "I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The first heaven and the first earth had disappeared, and so had the sea. <sup>2</sup>Then I saw New Jerusalem, that holy city, coming down from God in heaven. It was like a bride dressed in her wedding gown and ready to meet her husband. <sup>3</sup>I heard a loud voice shout from the throne: God's home is now with his people. He will live with them, and they will be his own. Yes, God will make his home among his people. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe all tears from their eyes, and there will be no more death, suffering, crying, or pain. These things of the past are gone forever. <sup>5</sup>Then the one sitting on the throne said: I am making everything new. Write down what I have said. My words are true and can be trusted."

"This world is our home: we are made to live here. It has been devastated by sin, but God plans to put it right. Hence, we look forward with joy to newly restored bodies and to living in a newly restored heaven and earth. We love this world because it is God's, and it will be healed, becoming at last what God intended from the beginning." Paul Marshall

"Adam was formed from the dust of the earth, forever establishing our connection to the earth." Randy Alcorn

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"The earth matters, our bodies matter, animals and trees matter, matter matters, because God created them and intends them to manifest His glory." Randy Alcorn

Revelation 22:3: "No longer will there be any curse."

John 17:3: "Now this is eternal life: that they know you."

"I am thoroughly convinced that God will let everyone into heaven who, in his considered opinion, can stand it." Dallas Willard

"Heaven is not for everyone: it is an acquired taste." John Henry Newman

"a heaven for mosquitoes and a hell for men could very conveniently be combined." C.S. Lewis

"There is no problem in human life that apprenticeship to Jesus cannot solve."

Dallas Willard

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