

## Heaven- Our Home

Col. 3:1(NLT): "...set your sights on the realities of heaven"

Revelation 21:1-8(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. <sup>6</sup>Everything is finished! I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will freely give water from the life-giving fountain to everyone who is thirsty. <sup>7</sup>All who win the victory will be given these blessings. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <sup>8</sup>But I will tell you what will happen to cowards and to everyone who is unfaithful or dirty-minded or who murders or is sexually immoral or uses witchcraft or worships idols or tells lies. They will be thrown into that lake of fire and burning sulfur. This is the second death.

Revelation 19:11: "I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war."

Psalm 96:11-13(NLT): "Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice! Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise!  $^{12}$ Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy! Let the trees of the forest sing for joy  $^{13}$ before the Lord, for he is coming! He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with justice, and the nations with his truth."

"The Christian response to mortality for believers at least, is without question the most 'effective' of all responses: it would seem to be the only version of salvation that enables us not only to transcend the fear of death, but also to beat death itself. And by doing so in terms of individual identity, rather than anonymity or abstraction, it seems to be the only version that offers a truly definitive victory of personal immortality over our condition as mortals." Luc Ferry

"Christianity-whose promise of the resurrection of the body means that we shall be reunited with those we love after death... I grant you that amongst the available doctrines of salvation, nothing can compete with Christianity." Luc Ferry

1 Corinthians 13:13(NLT): "Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love."

1 Peter 3:15: Always be prepared to give \_\_\_\_\_

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