



REVELATION:
THE FINAL ANSWER

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INTRODUCTION

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At this moment in time as we read today’s Scripture passage, all sinful men, the devil, the antichrist, and the beast are all in the lake of fire. The only ones left are the angels of God, the Trinity (God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit), and all true believers in Christ. These are the only ones left, and there is a New Heaven and a New Earth. He chose our planet to show His great love with His Son. Now it is all gone. For us, He creates a New Heaven and a New Earth. We don't fully know what it will look like, but we will get a glimpse of the New Heaven in the days to come. That’s what we’re going to look at throughout today’s message.

KEY POINTS

1. The Concept Of New

In verse 1, the Bible mentions the word “new.” There are two different words in the Greek language for “new.” One word “Naos” means “new in time.” In other words, it has existed before and now it is existing again. For example, you had an old toothbrush; and it is not functioning any longer. You buy a brand-new toothbrush. That is new in time. You might buy a new pair of shoes. You like the ones you have, but the new pair of shoes fit differently. They are the same kind of thing. That's not this word.

This word is not new in time. It is the Greek word “Kainon.” It literally means new in kind, not in time. In other words, it has never existed before. This is new for the first time. This new earth has never existed before. God is getting ready to do this. Rather than redoing the heavens, He is creating again. That is who our God is.

2. The Concept Of No Sea

- The sea has been a source of provision
- The sea is what separates nations
- The sea has always been a place of danger

3. The Concept Of New Jerusalem

- It is holy, pure, and righteous
- It is coming down out of heaven from God
- It is prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband

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4. The Concept Of A New Relational Experience

- This is announced like a royal decree – “Look!”
- This is announced with complete residency.
- This is announced with an ongoing presence.
- This is announced with a dramatic relationship.

5. The Concept Of A New Order

What is our present order? Pain and discomfort. Death comes as an expected robber. Sorrow seems to be an inevitable reality. Pain is consistent and an undesired partner. All of us have pain in some shape, way, or form.

Now the Scripture says, “He will wipe every tear from their eyes.” There will be no more crying in heaven; you won't need tear ducts. Think about that for a moment, no more crying. You won't cry over your husband. You won't cry over your wife. You won't cry over your children. You will not cry over disasters, because there will be none. There is no need for tears. Tears are not present in heaven. The Bible says very clearly that God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. What a picture!

6. The Concept Of A New Word From God

As you read the Scripture, it's as if John gets so caught up with seeing this New Heaven and the New Earth that he needs a reality check. He is told, “Write this down.” In other words, you can almost imagine John looking at the New Heaven and the New Earth and saying, “Wow!” The Lord has to remind him, “You are here to write these things down. Don't just be gawking, write it down.” The Scripture says, “for these words are trustworthy and true.” If you look at the Greek language, it really means “faithfully true and reliable.” In other words, He is saying, “I am getting ready to do this.”

7. The Concept Of A New Invitation From The Almighty

- The good news
- The bad news

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What are your thoughts and feelings about God creating a new heaven and a new earth?
2. What are you most looking forward to about everything being made new?
3. While we wait for God to make all things new, is there something you'd like Him to make new in your life today? If so, take this to Him in prayer and ask Him to bring redemption to your story right now.
