

**TEXT: Revelation 21****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **MyRC** – Everyone please log into your MyRC account and make sure your personal information is updated. We are still lacking contact information and photos for many.
  - **Esther on Facebook Live** - This week we are beginning a 4-week series through the book of Esther. We will do a short 15-minute devotional Monday-Friday at noon on Facebook Live. We'd love for you to join us!
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**Leading Off...**

1. What makes you feel at home?
2. What are some strange images and ideas of heaven that we've come to believe are true?

**BIG IDEA: Heaven will come to earth.****Read Revelation 21:1-3**

3. Discuss this idea of heaven and earth being "*new*"?
4. What is John telling us when he says, "*the sea was no more*"?
5. In verse 2, this is the promise kept which Jesus made in John 14. How does that encourage you?
6. Talk about this statement: "*Heaven is more about 'Who' we get, than 'what' we get.* Why should we focus our attention and hopes more on nearness to Jesus, than what heaven is like?

**Read Genesis 2:4-9**

7. "Eden" means "delight". Why is work a part of God's good design for man, not part of the curse?
8. Talk about what work might look like in the new heaven.

**Read Genesis 2:18-25**

9. Talk about humanity in Eden. How work, relationships, creativity and harmony and proximity to God were essential components to Eden.

**Read Genesis 3:22-24**

10. What was Adam and Eve's actual sin?

**Re-read Revelation 21:1-3**

11. How do Eden and the New Jerusalem actually very closely resemble each other?

**Wrapping Up****Read Revelation 21:4-5**

12. Though Jesus comes back on a war horse, He promises these great comforts. Talk about these powerful promises.

13. For those of us who believe, how does knowing heaven will be familiar encourage you?
14. Talk about the Big Idea. This promise will come true. Jesus taught us to pray that His Kingdom will come.