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Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Sermon Series: Living with Eternity in Mind

Sermon Title: Paradise Lost, Heaven Gained

Scripture: Genesis 1-3, Revelation 21-22

Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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CHILDREN'S CHURCH

AGES: 3 years-2nd grade

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Sermon Notes

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Paradise Lost, Heaven Gained

Big Idea

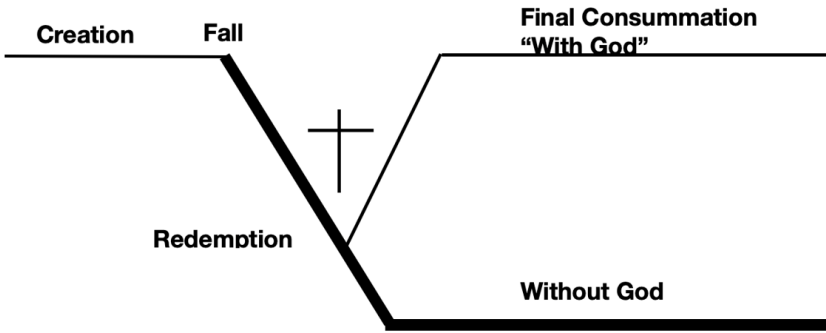
I've read the end of the Bible, God wins!!!

Genesis 1-3, Revelation 21-22

The God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground." -Genesis 1:28

Garden of Eden	Fallen World	Rapture of the Church	Christ's Return Final Judgment
Gen. 1-2	Gen. 3-Rev. 20	Rev. 20:1-6	Rev. 21-22
God with man in a perfect earth	God separated from man in a cursed earth	God with man in a temporary earth	God with man in a New Heaven on a New Earth FOREVER

Diagram details: A cross is positioned above the 'Fallen World' column. An upward-pointing arrow is positioned above the 'Rapture of the Church' column, with the text '1,000 Year Reign of Christ' next to it. A downward-pointing arrow is positioned above the 'Christ's Return Final Judgment' column, with the text 'New Heaven New Earth' next to it.



SIN – Not only was man's relationship with God damaged, but sin's entrance into the world also affected all of creation.

In the future, as God promises, Heaven will come down, and there will be a New Heaven (called the New Jerusalem) on a New Earth, with none of the problems of this fallen earth.

A sin free environment forever.

“The real essence of Heaven is about more than just a place, it is a person. It is about coming home to our heavenly Father who loves ordinary people like you and me the same way He loves Jesus.” -Chip Ingram

Talk It Over

Ice Breaker: What are some of the most beautiful places on earth (or beautiful architectural sites) you have seen? What makes them so striking?

1. The garden of Eden was the first place where God's space and humanity's space were one. Read Genesis 3 and discuss how these two spaces were driven apart.
2. In Romans 8:20, what explanation does Paul give for the current state of decay and frustration that exists in the created order? How would you say this in your own words, with your knowledge of Genesis 3 as a background?
3. How has the natural world helped you encounter God? What in the natural world helps you see God's goodness?
4. How is Revelation 22:1-6 the same as the garden of Eden (Genesis 2:4-17)? What is the significance of its differences to the garden of Eden?
5. Why do you think God will institute a new heaven and a new earth?
6. What are some of the details in Revelation 21:1-8 that speak to you about the intimacy of heaven or the emphasis on relationship? Which of these details is most significant to you and why?

Pray: Pray together and for each other Using Psalm 24:1-6 to begin.