

All Things New Every Perfect Gift

Revelation 21:5 (NIV[®])

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, "**I am making everything new!**" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

James 1:17 (NASB[®])

¹⁷ Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

I. Creative God

A. All Things New ---personally

1. New Creation

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV[®])

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is **a new creation**; the old has gone, the new has come!

James 1:18 (NIV[®])

¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of **firstfruits of all he created**.

- 2. New Name
- 3. New Hope
- 4. New Family
- 5. New Help

John 14:16-17 (NASB[®])

- ¹⁶ "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever;
- ¹⁷ *that is* the Spirit of truth,
- 6. New Purpose
- 7. New Home
- B. All Things New ---in our world
 - 1. New Heaven
 - 2. New Earth
 - 3. New Jerusalem
 - 4. New World (system)
 - Isaiah 11:6-9 (NIV®)

⁶ The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. ⁷ The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The infant will play near the hole of the cobra, and the young child put his hand into the viper's nest. ⁹ They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.



- 5. New Body
- 6. New King
- 7. New Understanding
 - 1 Corinthians 13:12 (NIV[®])
- ¹² **Now** we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; **then** we shall see face to face. **Now** I know in part; **then** I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

II. What Were You Thinking?

A. Forgiven/Forgotten

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV®)

¹⁸ "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹ See, **I am doing a new thing!** Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.

Isaiah 65:17 (NIV®)

¹⁷ "Behold, **I will create new heavens and a new earth.** The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind.

Isaiah 43:25 (NIV®)

²⁵ "I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

B. Forgetting, Looking Forward

Philippians 3:13-14 (NIV[®])

¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But **one thing I do:** Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Luke 9:62 (NIV[®])

⁶² Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

C. Forgetting Grace, Grumbling

Numbers 11:1-6 (NIV[®])

¹ Now the people complained about their hardships in the hearing of the LORD, and when he heard them his anger was aroused. Then fire from the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp. ² When the people cried out to Moses, he prayed to the LORD and the fire died down. ³ So that place was called Taberah, because fire from the LORD had burned among them. ⁴ **The rabble with them** began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat! ⁵ We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost--also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. ⁶ But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!"



Hebrews 12:15 (NIV[®])

¹⁵ See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your great love for us ---for all You have done and for all that is yet ahead. We lift our hearts to You in thanksgiving and praise for You are worthy of all honor and glory. You have given us life, You have prepared a future for us and You have rescued us from an empty way of life. We press on to complete the course for which You created us. Grant us the strength needed for this day, in Jesus' name, amen.