

Heaven
Afterlife—Part 3
Revelation 21:1-5
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Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, “Look, God’s home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.” ⁵ And the one sitting on the throne said, “Look, I am making everything new!” And then he said to me, “Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true.”

—Revelation 21:1-5 (NLT)

But I believe the picture Revelation 21:1-5 paints gives us a glimpse of Heaven’s glory and highlights three important features that will make Heaven so very heavenly:

1. This passage reminds us that Heaven will be _____.

God said it himself, *“Look, I am making everything new!”*

----Revelation 21:5 NLT

“Look! I am creating new heavens and a new earth, and no one will even think about the old ones anymore. Be glad; rejoice forever in my creation!”

--Isaiah 65:17-18 NLT

1. Heaven will be _____.

John describes the New Jerusalem as the *“holy city... coming down from God.”* –
Revelation 21:2

“But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth he has promised, a world filled with God’s righteousness.”

--2 Peter 3:13 NLT

“God... will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.”

--Revelation 21:4 NLT).

2. Heaven is _____.

“Look, God’s home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them.”

--Revelation 21:3 NLT

“Don’t let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father’s house; I would not tell you this if it were not true. I am going there to prepare a place for you. After I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me so that you may be where I am”

–John 14:1-3 NCV