



The
Revelation
of **Jesus Christ**

27. A new heaven and a new earth



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This is a **hard saying**;
who can understand it?

***Does this offend you?**
Then what if you were to see
the Son of Man ascending
to where He was before?*

*The words that I have spoken
to you are **spirit** and **life**.*

(From John 6:61-63)

Prophecy is not proleptic history...

Detailed history
before it happens

Now



Details of all the events as they happened

A spiritual view of the essence of things

History

Prophecy

The one who prophesies
speaks to people for their **edification**
and **encouragement** and **consolation**.

(1 Corinthians 14:3)

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Part 1		
Section 1	Section 2	Section 3
Chapters 1 to 3	Chapters 4 to 7	Chapters 8 to 11
Prologue, the vision of Christ among the lampstands, the letters to the seven churches.	The vision of God's throne, the scroll in His right hand, the Lion and the Lamb. The seven seals are opened.	The prayers of the saints, the seven trumpets are sounded, the great angel, the little book, the two witnesses.

Part 2			
Section 4	Section 5	Section 6	Section 7
Chapters 12 to 14	Chapters 15 to 16	Chapters 17 to 19	Chapters 20 to 22
The woman gives birth to a child, the dragon cast out, the two beasts, the Lamb on Mt Zion, three angels, two harvests.	The song of victors over the beast. Seven bowls of the wrath of God are poured out on the earth.	The woman riding on the beast, the destruction of Babylon, Christ on a white horse, the damnation of two beasts.	Satan is bound, the saints reign with Christ for a thousand years, the final judgement, a new creation, the new Jerusalem.

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Part 2 – The new creation – 21:1 to 22:5

Part 3 – Conclusion – 22:6-21

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- Chapter 19
 - Christ returns to judge and to reign
 - The beast and false prophet are cast into the lake of fire
- Chapter 20
 - Satan is bound for 1,000 years
 - Christ reigns with risen saints for 1,000 years
 - Satan is released, defeated and cast into the lake of fire
 - “Heaven and earth fled away”
 - The dead stand before God and are judged

Part 2 – The new creation – 21:1 to 22:5

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- Chapter 21:1-8
 - The new heaven and the new earth
 - New Jerusalem descends out of heaven from God
 - “Behold, I am making all things new”
- Chapter 21:9-27
 - “Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife.”
 - More details of the New Jerusalem
- Chapter 22:1-5
 - The river of the water of life from the throne of God
 - “His servants shall serve Him”

Part 3 – Conclusion – 22:6-21

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and the sea was no more.

(Revelation 21:1)

“For behold, **I create new heavens and a new earth**,
and the former things shall not be remembered
or come into mind.”

(Isaiah 65:17)

See also
Isaiah 66:22

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...we, according to His promise,
look for **new heavens and a new earth**
in which **righteousness** dwells.

(2 Peter 3:13)

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Ceased to exist

(Revelation 21:1)

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,
and then **the heavens will pass away with a roar**,
and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved,
and the earth and the works that are done on it will be **exposed**.

Laid bare before
God for judgement

(2 Peter 3:10)

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Since all these things are thus to be dissolved,
what sort of people ought you to be
in lives of holiness and godliness...?

(2 Peter 3:11)

A foggy cemetery with several gravestones and a large tree in the background. The scene is misty and overcast, with a large, gnarled tree in the foreground and several gravestones scattered across the grassy field. The overall atmosphere is somber and reflective.

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What sort of person ought you to be?

**What will they write
on your headstone?**

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And I saw the holy city, **new Jerusalem**,
coming down out of heaven from God,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

*“Behold, **the dwelling place of God is with man.**
He will dwell with them, and they will be His people,
and God himself will be with them as their God.”*

(Revelation 21:2-3)

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“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,
and **death shall be no more**,
neither shall there be mourning,
nor crying, nor pain anymore, for
the former things have passed away.”

And He who was seated on the throne said,
“Behold, I am making all things new.”

Also He said,

*“Write this down, for
these words are trustworthy and true.”*

(Revelation 21:4-5)

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And He said to me,

“It is done!

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the Beginning and the End.

“To the thirsty I will give from the spring
of the **water of life** freely.

“The one who conquers will inherit all things,
and I will be his God and he will be My son.”

(Revelation 21:6-7)

...in the days of the sounding
of the seventh angel...
the mystery of God
would be finished...
(Revelation 10:7)

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“But as for the cowardly, the faithless,
the detestable, as for murderers,
the sexually immoral, sorcerers,
idolaters, and all liars,
their portion will be in the lake
that burns with fire and sulfur,
which is **the second death.**”

(Revelation 21:8)



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for the first heaven and the first earth
had passed away...

Then I saw **a new heaven and a new earth...**

SOME OBSERVATIONS...

1. The Lord Jesus went to the cross for this (Ephesians 1:10)
2. This is our sure hope – heaven shall come down (Revelation 21:3)
3. In the new creation God's love will be unhindered (Ephesians 2:7)
4. Very little is revealed of the ages to come
5. Humanity will be forever glorified in the image of God (Romans 8:29)
6. A physical creation remains God's purpose (1 Corinthians 15:44)
7. The natural world, with an afterglow of glory, waits... (Romans 8:18-22)



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**The dwelling place of God
is with man.**

(Revelation 21:3)

