

HEAVEN
Where God Dwells and His Throne Is Located

Deuteronomy 26:15

I Kings 8:30

2 Chronicles 30:27

Psalms 2:4

Psalms 11:4

Psalms 33:13

Psalms 102:19

Psalms 103:19

Psalms 123:1

Ecclesiastes 5:2

Isaiah 63:15

Isaiah 66:1

Lamentations 3:41

Lamentations 3:50

Matthew 5:34

Matthew 5:45

Matthew 6:9

Matthew 10:32-33

Matthew 12:50

Matthew 16:17

Mark 16:19

Acts 1:11

Acts 7:55-56

Hebrews 8:1

The Intermediate State

Believers go to heaven when they die:

Luke 23:43

John 14:1-3

2 Corinthians 5:6-8

Philippians 1:21-24

- In Genesis 15:15, how did God describe what would happen to Abraham when he died? What does this tell us about heaven?
- When Abraham died, how does Genesis 25:8 describe what happened to him? This is a phrase that is frequently used in the OT to describe the deaths of believers. What does this tell us about heaven?
- What did King David find comfort in when his baby died in 2 Samuel 12:22-23? What does this imply about heaven?
- What does Paul call heaven in Galatians 4:25-26?
- How does Hebrews 11:10 & 13-16 describe it?
- Read Hebrews 12:22-24. What does v. 22 call heaven? How do vv. 22-24 describe it?
- What does Hebrews 13:14 tell us about it?
- What does Revelation 7:9-12 describe the multitude in heaven as doing?

- According to v. 15, what will we be doing in heaven?
- How does Revelation 7:15-17 describe life in heaven?

The Eternal State

- According to 2 Peter 3:7, what will happen to the heavens and the earth on the Day of Judgment?
- How do vv. 10-11 describe what will happen to them on that day?
- How does Revelation 20:11 describe that same event?
- What will happen to the creation according to Hebrews 1:10-12?
- How does Hebrews 12:26-27 describe what will happen on that day?
- According to 2 Peter 3:13, what do believers have to look forward to after that?
- How does Romans 8:20-21 describe the condition of the creation now and what will happen to it on that day?
- According to Revelation 21:1, what did John see in his final vision?
- According to v.2, how are heaven and the new earth related?
(Compare to Gal. 4:26; Heb. 12:22)
- How does Revelation 3:12 describe the New Jerusalem?

- Revelation 21:10 also describes the New Jerusalem as coming down out of heaven. What does John refer to it as in v. 9?
- Revelation 21:11-22:5 go on to describe that city. What does verse 11 tell us about it?
- What does v. 12 seem to identify the city with?
- What does v. 14 seem to identify it with?
- What do vv. 15-21 tell us about the city?
- How is it different from the old Jerusalem according to v. 22?
- What do vv. 23-25 tell us about the city?
- What do vv. 26-27 tell us about it?
- What do the river of the water of life and the tree of life represent? What do they tell us about the city?
- When you compare the reference to the tree of life in v.2 with Genesis 2:9, what does this imply about the new earth?
- What else does Revelation 22:3 tell us about life on the new earth? What is the curse?

- What does Genesis 1:29-30 tell us about life in the Garden of Eden? According to 9:2-3, how did things change after sin entered the world?
- Compare this to Isaiah 11:6-9. How could this be related to the declaration in Rev. 22:3?
- Compare Isaiah 11:6-9 to 65:25. According to Isaiah 65:17, is this referring to before or after the final Day of Judgment? How do you know? (see Rev. 20:11 & 21:1)
- Therefore, which Jerusalem is Isaiah 65:18-19 referring to? What does v. 19 say about life in it? (Compare to Rev. 21:4)

Verse 20 seems to imply that there will still be death on the new earth. This would contradict the clear statements to the contrary found in Revelation 21:4 and 22:3. It doesn't appear that Isaiah 65:20 should be taken literally. Instead, it is a metaphorical way of saying that the power of death will be broken. Evangelicals believe in "progressive revelation," meaning that many things which are only hinted at in the OT, become clear in the NT.

- According to Revelation 22:3, what else will be located in the city?
- What will we do on the new earth according to vv. 3 & 4?
- According to v. 5, how long will we enjoy these blessings?
- Back in 21:3, what did the voice announce when John saw the New Jerusalem descending from heaven?
- According to v. 4, what won't be found on the new earth?
- According to vv. 7-8, who will inherit all this? What does he mean by "overcomes"?

- What does Colossians 1:5 refer to heaven as being?
- What does 1 Peter 1:3-4 refer to heaven as being? How does it describe heaven?
- What does Romans 8:18 tell us about heaven?
- What does 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 say about heaven?
- What does Paul say about heaven in Philippians 1:23?