



Our Eternal Home Is the New Earth
Selected Scripture

I. The Destruction of the Present Universe

A. Cleanse and Remodel?

1. Matt. 19:28 - Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, that you who have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.
2. Acts 3:21 - heaven must receive [Christ] until the period of restoration of all things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from ancient time.
3. Rom. 8:21-22 - the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

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B. Destroy and Make New?

1. Heb. 1:11-12 – [The current heavens and earth] will perish, but You remain; and they all will become old like a garment, and like a mantle You will roll them up; like a garment they will also be changed.
2. 2 Pet. 3:10 - The heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.
3. Rev. 20:11 – no place was found for [the current heavens and earth].
4. Rev. 21:1

II. The Creation of New Heavens & a New Earth

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B. NT Prophecy

C. Revelation's Description (Rev. 21-22)

1. 21:1-4 – an initial vision
2. 21:5-8 – its certainty
3. 21:9—22:5 – a detailed description
 - a) 21:11-21 – the architectural features
 - 11 – the overall impression
 - 12-14 – its walls and gates
 - 15-17 – its size
 - 18-21 – its materials

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 - b. 21:22—22:5 – the spiritual certainties
 - 22 – no temple
 - 23-24 – no cosmic light source
 - 25-26 – no danger
 - 27 – no evil
 - 22:1-2 – no needs
 - 22:3 – no curse
 - 22:4-5 – no separation
 - 21:8, 27; 22:14-15 – no sinners

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D. Common Questions about the New Earth

1. What will we be like?

2. What will we do?

- Worship Him
- Serve Him
- Reign with Him
- Live human lives before Him