

Introduction: “There’s no place like home.”

Have you ever wondered...

1. Will heaven be an actual place?
2. What will we look like in heaven?
3. Will heaven be boring?
4. What will we do for all eternity?
5. Will animals be in heaven?
6. Where will we live in heaven?
7. Who gets to go to heaven?

First Earth (Eden) Genesis 1 & 2	Fallen Earth (Now) Genesis 3 – Revelation 20	New Earth (Heaven) Revelation 21 & 22
God visits mankind	Christ restores mankind	God lives with mankind forever
Perfect environment	Creation groans (tornados, earthquakes, tsunamis, etc.)	Restored environment
No sin	Sin and death	No sin or death – ever

What will heaven be like on the new earth?

1. It will be a lot like the new me.

- A _____ body 1 Corinthians 15:42-49
- A _____ earth Isaiah 65:17, 2 Peter 3:9-13

2. It will be a lot like the first earth.

Genesis 1-2

- A perfect environment
- A tree of life
- A river, trees, fruit, food
- Animals, harmony, peace, beauty
- No death no shame, no curse
- No sin, no sorrow, no pain
- Meaningful work to accomplish
- Intimacy with God and people

3. It will be a lot different and infinitely better because we will have...

- A new kind of relationship with _____ . Revelation 21:1-3
- A new kind of relationship with _____ . Revelation 21:4-5
- A new kind of experience of complete _____ . Revelation 21:6-8
- A new city and people to _____ . Revelation 21:9-23
- A new earth with new _____, _____ Revelation 21:9 – 22:5
commerce, culture, and capabilities _____ and love our God.

Summary: Behold I will make all things _____! Revelation 21:5

Three very important questions for you:

1. Are you certain you are going to heaven? Why? 1 John 5:11-13

2. Do your current priorities and passions reveal an eternal or earthly perspective?

Have you considered the implications carefully? Philippians 3:17-21

3. Are there people you care about who don't know about heaven or how to get there?

How could God use you to help them? Luke 19:10

Recommended resources:

Book – *Heaven* by Randy Alcorn
Book – *The Glory of Heaven* by John MacArthur
CD Series – *The Revelation* by Chip Ingram

