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# NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH

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The new  
heaven and  
earth will be  
both very new  
and very  
familiar

WORSHIP IN HEAVEN -  
MESSAGE

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(Rev 21-22)

**Present**

**Present a new place and  
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# DONE AWAY OR RENEWED?

## Old heaven and earth pass away

- Rev 21:1
- 2 Pet 3:7-12
- Heb 1:10-12
- Mt 24:35
- Ps 102:25-26
- Isa 24:20
- 1 Jn 2:17

## Old heaven and earth renewed

- Rom 8:19-21
- Mt 19:28
- Acts 3:21
- Col 1:20
- Mal 3:2-3 (purified by fire)





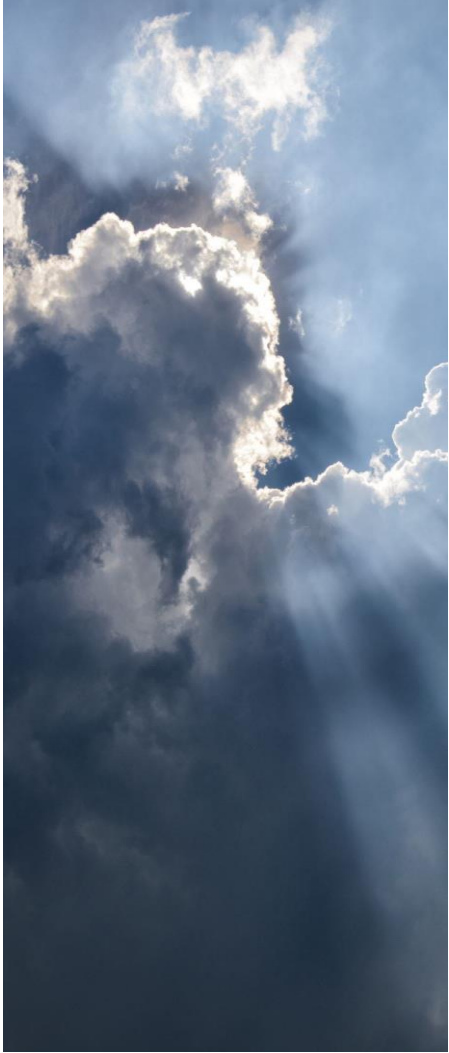
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## SOLUTION: OLD TO NEW

- Rom 8:23 – Our current body will be redeemed, glorified
- 1 Cor 15:36ff – Illustration of a seed
  - The seed dies producing a new plant
  - There is continuity, but also profound change
  - Our body will be “sown” then “raised”
  - So heaven and earth will pass away but produce a new heaven and earth

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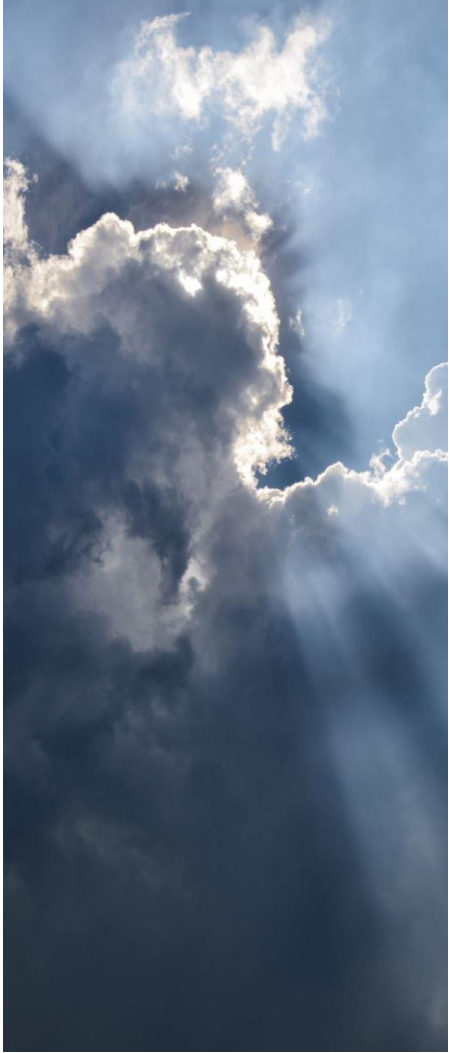
**A new version of the familiar (Rev 21:1)**

**A new central city where God dwells among His people (Rev 21:2-4, 10-27; Eph 2:19-22; Heb 11:14-16; 1 Pet 2:4-5)**

**Heaven and earth become one (Rev 21:3, 10ff; 7:15)**

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**A new source of light to live by (Rev 21:23-24; 22:5)**

**A new source of life and healing (Rev 22:1-2, 14; 21:6; 7:17; Gen 3:24; Rom 8:11; Jn 7:37-39)**

**A new unified people of God (Rev 5:9; 21:3, 9; Jn 10:16; 11:49-52; Eph 2:19-22; Heb 12:22-24)**

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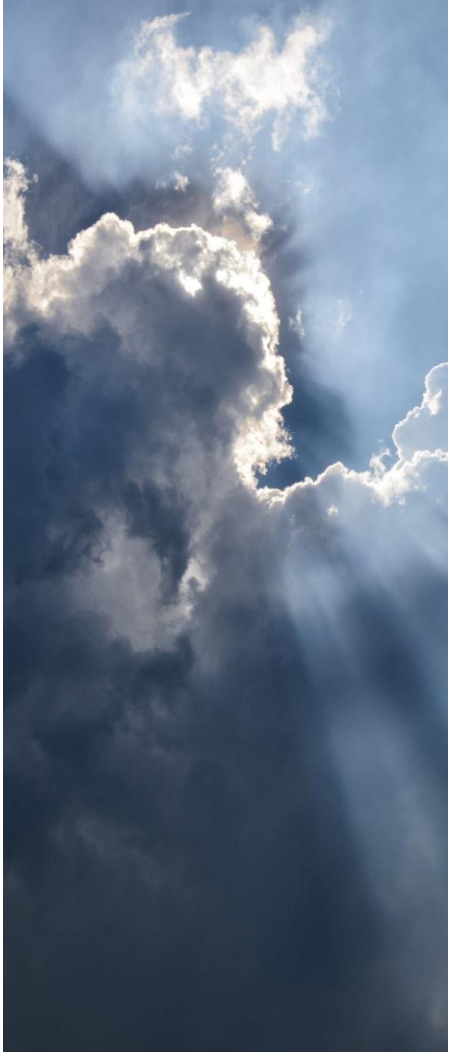
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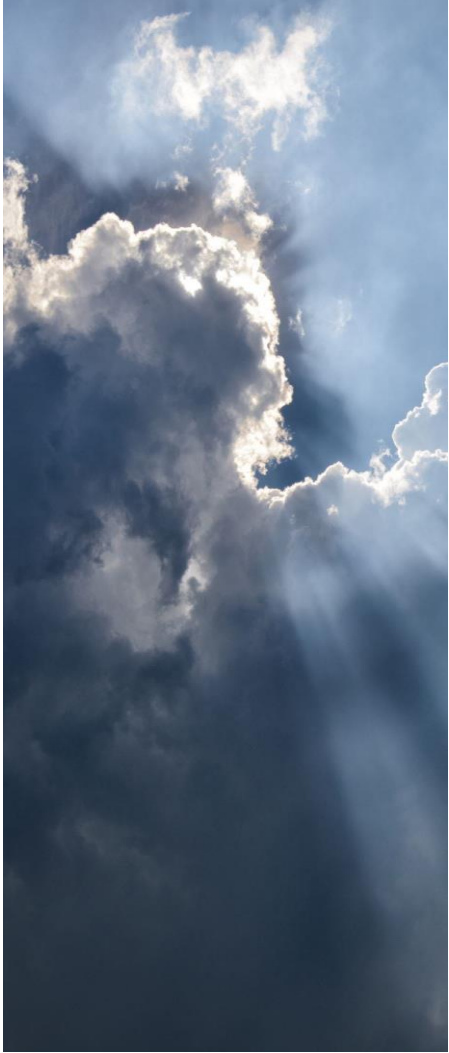


**Our Triune God will dwell forever among His people (Rev 21:3-4; 1 Thess 4:17)**

**Literal, glorified bodies (Rom 8:23)**

**What won't be there? All that has tormented us! (Rev 20:14; 21:4, 27; 22:3, 15; 1 Cor 15:54-55; 2 Pet 3:13)**

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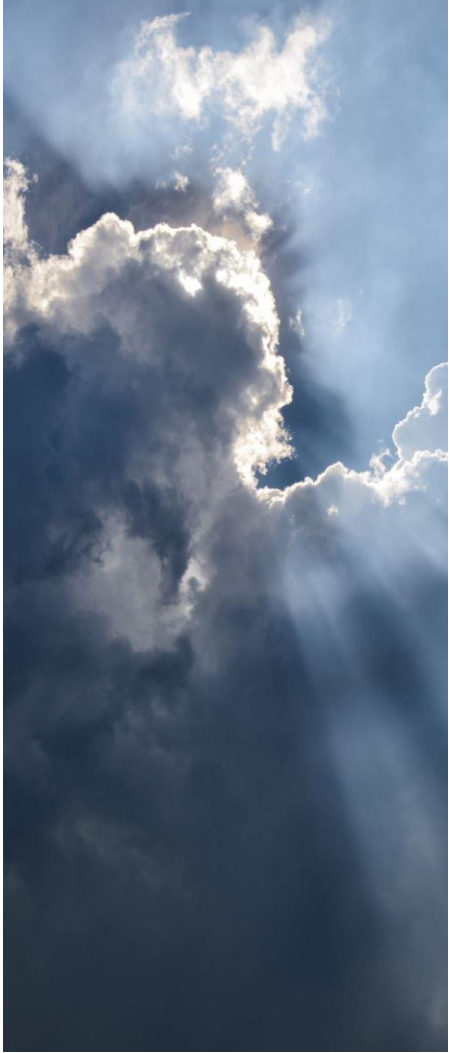


**Enjoy our inheritance in fulness (Rev 21:7; Eph 3:19; Isa 65:17-19)**

**A fuller experience of sonship (Rev 21:7; 22:4)**

**Eternal fellowship with God's vast family (Lk 22:30; Rev 19:9)**

# A NEW EXPERIENCE FOR GOD'S PEOPLE



**A new ability to see God's face and live**  
(Rev 22:4; Ex 33:20)

**A new work experience** (Isa 60:10, 12-14;  
Zech 8:20-23; Hag 2:7; Rev 21:24-26; 22:4)

**A restored and perfected dominion** (Gen 1:28;  
Ps 8:6; 1 Cor 6:2-3; Lk 19:17; Rev 2:26; Lk  
22:29-30; 2 Tim 2:12; Rev 3:21; 22:5; Mt 25:23;  
Lk 14:11; 16:10-11; Rev 2:26; 5:9-10)

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“We are part of God’s family. Ruling the universe is the family business”

(Randy Alcorn, *Heaven*, p. 211)

A RESTORED AND PERFECTED DOMINION

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“God is grooming us for leadership. He’s watching to see how we demonstrate our faithfulness...Christ is not simply preparing a place for us; he is preparing us for that place...it’s a realm we’ll joyfully rule with Jesus, exercising dominion as God’s image-bearers”

(Randy Alcorn, *Heaven*, pp. 215, 217)

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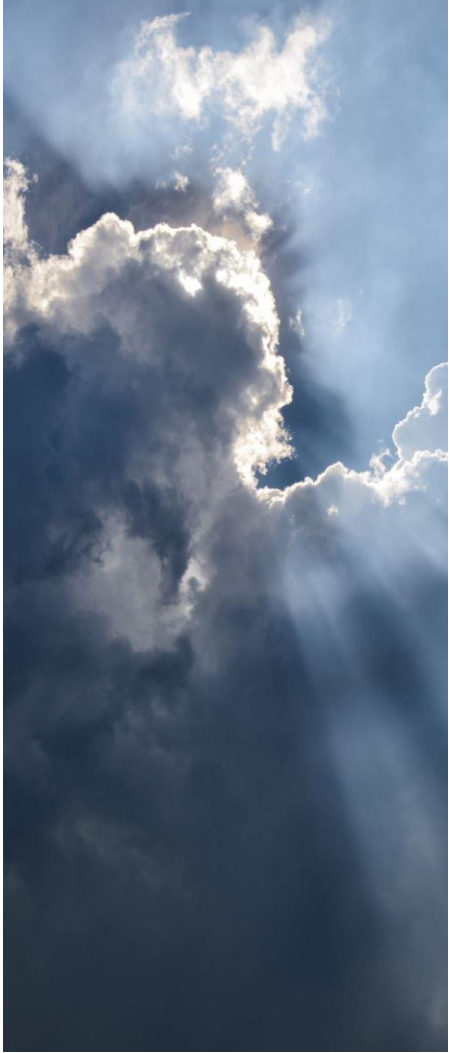
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# A NEW AND PERMANENT FOCUS ON OUR TRIUNE GOD



**A new worship** locale (Rev 7:14; 21:3, 22; 3:12; Eph 2:21)

**A new worship experience** (Rev 21:3; 3:12)

**The permanent central focus of the kingdom** (Rev 19:16; 22:3, 5; Dan 2:35, 44; 7:13-14; Zech 9:9-10; 14:9; Rom 8:16-18)

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Worship “will permeate our lives, energize our bodies, and fuel our imaginations”

(Randy Alcorn, *Heaven*, p. 191)

Think “all-of-life-as-worship”

A NEW WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

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