

CLASS 21 - MARCH 20, 2019

REVELATION AND RESTORATION

HARD TIME + HEALING TIME + STAYING FAITHFUL TO GOD (SHOULD!) =

THE EXACT GOOD OUTCOME WE WERE COUNTING

> BUT IT DOESN'T ALWAYS WORK THAT WAY.....

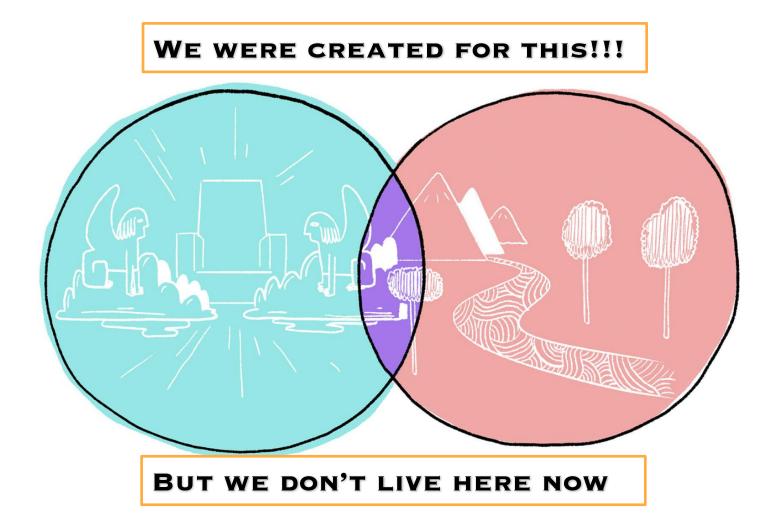
WE ARE VICTORIOUS!

1 COR 15:57 BUT THANKS BE TO GOD!

HE GIVES US VICTORY THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST!

IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THIS WAY!

DISAPPOINTMENT CAN BE A WAY OF LEADING US HOME TO GOD



IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO PRACTICE

THANKFULNESS

OPTIMISM

• FAITH OVER FEELINGS....

BUT WE SHOULD ALSO BE HONEST

ABOUT OUR DISAPPOINTMENTS

TO STRIP OUT OUR CAUSE FOR DISAPPOINTMENT

WOULD ONLY ROB US OF

THE GLORIOUS HOPE

OF WHERE WE ARE HEADED





1 All The Bible is the story of two gardens

"LOOK! GOD'S DWELLING PLACE IS NOW AMONG THE PEOPLE, AND HE WILL

DWELL WITH THEM. THEY WILL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF WILL BE

WITH THEM AND BE THEIR GOD. 4 'HE WILL WIPE EVERY TEAR FROM THEIR

EYES. THERE WILL BE NO MORE DEATH OR MOURNING OR CRYING OR PAIN,

FOR THE OLD ORDER OF THINGS HAS PASSED AWAY."

5 HE WHO WAS SEATED ON THE THRONE SAID,

"I AM MAKING EVERYTHING NEW!"

THEN HE SAID,

"WRITE THIS DOWN, FOR THESE WORDS ARE TRUSTWORTHY AND TRUE."

Rev. 21:3-5

HOW DO WE

WRESTLE WELL

IN THIS TIME

BETWEEN THE GARDENS?

REVELATION 21:1-9

- THEN I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH; FOR THE FIRST HEAVEN AND THE FIRST EARTH HAS PASSED AWAY...
- AND I SAW THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM,
- COMING DOWN OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD, MADE READY AS A BRIDE ADORNED FOR HER HUSBAND.
- THEN I HEARD A LOUD VOICE FROM THE THRONE, SAYING
- "LOOK! GOD'S DWELLING PLACE IS NOW AMONG THE PEOPLE, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM. THEY WILL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF WILL BE WITH THEM AND BE THEIR GOD. 4 'HE WILL WIPE EVERY TEAR FROM THEIR EYES. THERE WILL BE NO MORE DEATH OR MOURNING OR CRYING OR PAIN, FOR THE OLD ORDER OF THINGS HAS PASSED AWAY." HE WHO WAS SEATED ON THE
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SCRIPTURE TO FOLLOW ALONG:

REVELATION 21:1-9 – NEW HEAVEN, NEW EARTH, NEW JERUSALEM

REVELATION 22:1-2 – NEW GARDEN

REVELATION 21:15-21 NO TEMPLE! 12 GATES: 12 TRIBES OF ISRAEL 12 FOUNDATION STONES: 12 APOSTLES

GENESIS 1:26 – LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE...

JOHN'S REVELATION SYMBOLS

- A NEW JERUSALEM \implies IN THE GREAT CITY OF GOD
- NOT A NEW TEMPLE \implies WITH THE PRESENCE OF GOD

BEHOLD! HE IS MAKING ALL THINGS NEW!



SO....WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I DIE?

• JESUS SPOKE TO THE REPENTANT CRIMINAL BEING CRUCIFIED NEXT TO HIM,

SAYING, "TODAY YOU'LL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE." - LUKE 23:42-43

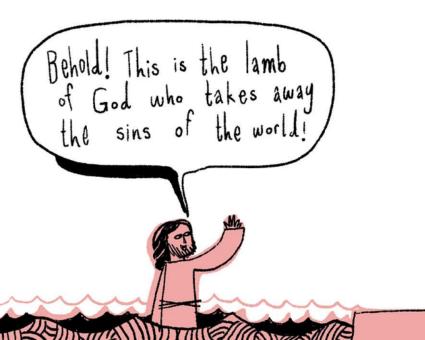
- PAUL DISCUSSED HIS POSSIBLE EXECUTION IN A ROMAN PRISON, AND HE SAID DEATH WOULDN'T BE SO BAD. IT WOULD MAKE THE PHILIPPIANS SAD, BUT HE WOULD GET TO BE "WITH CHRIST." - PHILIPPIANS 1:21-24
- PAUL TALKED ABOUT THE TRUE HOPE THAT DRIVES CHRISTIAN

FAITHFULNESS, EVEN IN THE FACE OF DEATH. THE RESULT OF DEATH, HE

SAID, WAS BEING "WITH THE LORD." - 2 COR. 5:6-9

WE GET TO BE WITH JESUS AS A NEW CREATION!

John's visions reveal that Jesus has overcome evil by his death and resurrection, and will return one day as the true king of the world.





HOW WILL WE

WRESTLE WELL?

BY TYING OUR HOPE TO THE

HEART OF GOD

1 KINGS 19:11-13

AND HE SAID, "GO OUT AND STAND ON THE MOUNT BEFORE THE LORD." AND BEHOLD, THE LORD PASSED BY, AND A GREAT AND STRONG WIND TORE THE MOUNTAINS AND BROKE IN PIECES THE ROCKS BEFORE THE LORD, BUT THE LORD WAS NOT IN THE WIND. AND AFTER THE WIND AN EARTHQUAKE, BUT THE LORD WAS NOT IN THE EARTHQUAKE.

12 AND AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE A FIRE, BUT THE LORD WAS NOT IN THE FIRE. AND AFTER THE FIRE THE SOUND OF A LOW WHISPER.

13 AND WHEN ELIJAH HEARD IT, HE WRAPPED HIS FACE IN HIS CLOAK AND WENT OUT AND STOOD AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CAVE. AND BEHOLD, THERE CAME A VOICE TO HIM AND SAID, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, ELIJAH?"

YOU HAVE TO BE LISTENING TO HEAR THE WHISPER....



EXTRA RESOURCES:





Heaven & Earth Workbook (Digital Download)