

# “Heaven is for Real: How do we know it is real?”

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## [Revelation 21:1-5](#)

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live 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."

In heaven...

## 1. THERE WILL BE INDESCRIBABLE JOY

### [1 Corinthians 2:9](#)

However, as it is written: "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him"—

## 2. WE WILL BE WITH GOD (Father, Son, HS)

v. 3 God himself will be with them

### [John 14: 2](#)

In my Father's house are many rooms... I am going there to prepare a place for you. 3 ... that you also may be where I am.

## 3. WE WILL GO THERE IMMEDIATELY

### [2 Corinthians 5:8](#)

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

### [Luke 23:43](#)

Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

## 4. OUR FUTURE IS SECURE

### [John 10:28](#)

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.

### [1 Peter 1:4](#)

[God will give you] an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade — kept in heaven for you,

## 5. WE WILL NOT BE MARRIED

### [Luke 20:34-35](#)

34 Jesus replied, "The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. 35 But those who are considered worthy of taking part in that age and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage,

## 6. THERE WILL BE NO SIN

### [Revelation 21:27](#)

Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

## 7. WE WILL HAVE A NEW BODY

### [2 Corinthians 5:1](#)

Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.

## 8. THERE WILL BE NO MORE CARES

### [Revelation 21:4-5](#)

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!"

## 9. ALL NATIONS, DENOMINATIONS & RACES WILL BE THERE

### [Revelation 7:9](#)

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb.

## 10. WE WILL WORSHIP THE KING OF KINGS

### [Revelation 15:4](#)

"Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."