

Revelation Study

Vision 6

The Water of Life in The New Heaven and the New Earth

Revelation 21:1-8

- I. The New Heaven and The New Earth
 - A. Why? The first heaven and earth have passed away
 - 1. Not to be viewed as a completely new creation out of nothing
 - 2. A total make-over
 - 3. Resurrection language: we “pass away,” yet we are still who we are at our resurrection: we are renewed in the image of Jesus
 - B. No more sea – literal or metaphorical
 - C. Four metaphorical uses of “sea” in the Revelation
 - 1. Origin of cosmic evil (4:6; 12:18; 13:1; 15:2)
 - 2. Unbelieving, rebellious nations (12:18; 13:1; 17:2, 6 – cf. Isaiah 57:20)
 - 3. Place of the dead (20:13)
 - 4. Primary location of world’s idolatrous trade (18:10-19)
 - D. So, maybe there will still be a sea...
- II. God and Man Dwelling Together Again
 - A. Tabernacle – place of God’s presence and worship
 - 1. He “tabernacles” (dwells) with man
 - 2. His people (of His own possession)
 - 3. His abiding presence
 - B. Notice the benefits of this new creation
 - 1. Wipe every tear
 - 2. No death
 - 3. No mourning
 - 4. No crying
 - 5. No pain
 - C. The first things have passed away: He makes all things new
- III. The Water of Life
 - A. It is done (cf. 16:17)
 - B. Alpha and Omega
 - C. I will give the water of life, without cost, to the one who is thirsty
 - D. He who overcomes: this is his inheritance: God as father, man as son
- IV. One Last Warning
 - A. Notice the things warned against
 - 1. Items of practice
 - 2. Not items of doctrine
 - B. They will take their part in the Lake of Fire (second death)