

Our Hope in God's Paradise #4
A New & Perfect World
Revelation 21:1-5

A) The new, perfect, and eternal world (Rev 21:1-5)

The New World will be all of the best things in this life perfected forever, and all of the bad things in this life eliminated forever.

Nothing bad or hard or painful or sad will ever happen in the New World.

(2 Peter 3:13; Rev 21:27; Rev 2:7; Ps 16:11; Isa 65:18; Rom 8:32).

B) The sources for a biblical view of the New World

The OT Prophets actually give us the clearest and most specific information on what life in the New World will be like. (Eph 2:11-15, 19)

The error and damage of Replacement Theology (Ezek 37:24-25).

C) The importance of a biblically informed imagination

"If you can't imagine it, you can't hope for it."

(1 Cor 2:9; Heb 11:10, 13-14, 16, 24-26)

Practical Application: Get some pictures of your life in the New World

Discussion ?'s

- 1) What was most meaningful to you about the Sunday message?
- 2) In what ways does life in this world help us to understand what life will be like in the New World?
- 3) What will it mean that life in the New World will be perfect? What does it mean that nothing will ever be a struggle?
- 4) What is Replacement Theology? What is wrong with it?
- 5) Why is imagination an important part of making the hope of the New World a powerful influence in our life?
- 6) What are some of your favorite "pictures" of life in the New World?