

How can this group support you in prayer this coming week?



*We Believe in
a New World*
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Revelation 21:1-22:5; Romans 8:18-39

Looking to the not yet

Reveling in His presence

Resting in His peace

Serving with His purpose

Living in the now

Wrestling with the problems

Relying on His power

Resting on His Promise

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Message-based Small Group Lesson

Overview

"There are dozens of reasons why we are drawn to Christ as Savior. My guess is that very few of us were drawn to Christ purely because we realized that there was heaven to be gained, where Christ and the Father would reign and relate to us and thus fill the longings of our hearts." (Stowell, p. 69, *Eternity*)

In the final message in our We Believe message series we focus on the New Heaven and New Earth. We will look at two New Testament passages to get a view of the beauty of our eternal home and then contrast this view with our current reality. Despite language limitations in describing the indescribable, may what is promised give us the strength and courage to live with great hope and fearless faith!!

Engaging with each other

1. When you think of heaven what comes to mind?

Engaging with the Bible

1. How is the idea of heaven usually portrayed in our popular culture?
2. Mark Twain once said of eternity, "Heaven for the climate; hell for the companionship." How does this quote diminish the reality of eternity as described in the Bible?

3. Read Revelation 21:1-5. What part of this passage are you most looking forward to in heaven?
4. According to this passage, what is the most significant feature about eternity?

Engaging with our lives

1. Read Romans 8:18-39. What hope can you draw from the words of the Apostle Paul?
2. In what ways have you experienced God's care for you in the here and now that have given you glimpses or foretastes of what Kingdom life will be like?
3. How does your view of heaven affect how you live your life today?