Daily Devotion #92

Our Eternal Home

*Rev 21:1 – “Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth.”*

I was just on a Zoom Bible study with some of the men of our church. We have been meeting every week on Tuesday for the past seven to eight years for prayer and study. Next week we will complete the entire Bible. It is a great achievement for us and such an exciting journey. Each book of the Bible has been glorious as we have learned about the creation of the world and all that has happened as a result of man’s sin. But mostly we have learned that God, in spite of man’s sin, has overcome all evil and blessed man beyond human comprehension. I would invite you to begin a journey reading and praying through the Bible if you have never done so. And if you like, you can join us each week.

Today’s study was one of the most exciting yet, because we were reading in Revelation 21 about our eternal home that is coming one day. And I must tell you, it is so exciting to read about and to process all that it will be like. God is amazing in His ability to go beyond what our finite minds can understand.

I wanted to share all that with you because in our day, I’m talking about what we are experiencing as a result of the pandemic and just sin in general, we have so much to look forward to. If you are like me, you get so weary of processing all that is going on and trying to figure out what’s going to happen next and how we should react to it all that you would like some good news for a change. Well there is good news! For those who have put their faith in Christ as the One who paid fully the debt we owe to God for our sin and violating His holiness, He is preparing a home for us that will be almost unbelievable.

The Apostle John writes that all the things that we know in this life will be done away with and everything will be made new. (Rev 21:5) Meaning that all that has been affected by sin will be completely removed. All the people who have caused damage to God and His people will be a part of the eternal lake of fire that burns forever and ever. (Rev 21:8) And all who love God will live eternally on the new earth and the New Jerusalem.

John writes that there will be no sun or moon to give light because the glory of God will be all the light we need. (Rev 21:23) He says God will be among His people. No longer will God be only a part of our spiritual understanding, but He will literally be visible to us and live among us and, the best part is, He will remove forever all pain, all crying, all sadness, all things that break down. (Rev 21:4)

Imagine that world beloved! Imagine being there in that place for all eternity! A place where there will never again be a division of people because of where they live or how they speak or what they look like. There will never be harm to anyone because of cancer or disease or viruses like COVID-19. There will never be the need to wear a mask or put on sunscreen or take vaccinations or have to undergo medical treatments. There will never be wars or any form of hatred. There will never by arrogance and suppression against anyone. There will not be a division of any sort. All will live in perfect harmony because sin and its effects are gone.

Those are the things I like to think about. Of course, we must live this life for now and be involved with all that is going on, but our real effort should be in helping people get to this new earth and new city that is coming.

Can you imagine if no one told you about the love of God and how you can be eternally forgiven by God? Can you imagine if no one told you about how you can live pain-free for all eternity? Can you imagine if no one told you about God and how much He loves you? Pray for people to see God for who He is and how much they will miss if they don’t surrender their lives to Christ. That would be an unnecessary tragedy. Go. Tell someone today about all that God has planned for those who surrender their lives to Him. Go!