

## The “Now” Heaven and “Now” Earth

Message #2

Series

# HEAVEN: YOU WERE MADE FOR THIS

A Biblical Study of What Heaven is Really All About

*1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Rev. 21:1 NKJV*

*13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. 2 Peter 3:13 NKJV*

**The “Now” Heaven is \_\_\_\_\_ the believer’s \_\_\_\_\_ destination; it’s \_\_\_\_\_. And to think otherwise dulls our understanding and lessens our anticipation.**

### The Plane Flight to Hawaii

#### The Nature of the Now Heaven

**1. It is \_\_\_\_\_**

*1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Rev. 21:1 NKJV*

*4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” Revelation 21:4 NKJV*

### What about Hell?

Is there a "Now" Hell?

OT word for the "Now" Hell is \_\_\_\_\_

NT word for the "Now" Hell is \_\_\_\_\_

NT words for the Eternal Hell \_\_\_\_\_

*14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. Revelation 20:14,15 NKJV*

*41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'" Matthew 25:41 NKJV*

**2. It is \_\_\_\_\_ from the earth**

*7 Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it. Ecclesiastes 12:7 NKJV*

*2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. Revelation 21:2 NKJV*

The Three "Parts" of the Eternal Heaven:

1) New \_\_\_\_\_

2) New \_\_\_\_\_

3) New \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ Place

#### Examples of the Spiritual, but “Physical” Realm

##### Elisha and Gehazi – 2 Kings 6

*16 So he (Elisha) answered, “Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.” 17 And Elisha prayed, and said, “LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.” Then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. 2 Kings 6:16,17 NKJV*

##### The Transfiguration – Mark 9

*3 His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them. 4 And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. Mark 9:3,4 NKJV*

##### The Rich Man and Lazarus – Luke 16

*22 So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.*

*24 “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ 25 But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in*

*your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. 26 And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.'*

*27 "Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, 28 for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' 29 Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' 30 And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31 But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'" Luke 16:22-31 NKJV*

#### **4. It is a Place of \_\_\_\_\_ of Events on Earth**

*1 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. Hebrews 12:1 NKJV*

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