

Series: Revelation

New Heaven - New Earth Part Two Handout

- I. "When we all get to heaven...?"
 - a. The Apocalyptic Pattern.
 - i. There are things currently being _____ in heaven that will later be _____ on earth.
 - ii. Are there some spiritual things that we partially experience _____ and will fully experience _____?
 - b. See **Prepared in Heaven - Revealed on Earth** spreadsheet
 - i. See 1 Cor. 2:9; Matt. 25:31, 34; 1 Pet. 1:3-5; Col. 1:15; 2 Cor. 5:1-5; John 14:1-3, 23; Phil. 3:20-21; Heb. 11:13-16; Rev. 21:1-3
- II. "Why is creation so important?"
 - a. See **Saving Activity** spreadsheet.
 - i. See Acts 3:17-21; Eph. 1:7-10; Col. 1:16-20; Rom. 8:19-23; 2 Pet. 3:10-13
 - b. _____ even to creating, God had a _____ plan.
 - i. _____ - Salvation is God _____ what went wrong with creation (not taking us out of the world to "heaven").
 - ii. _____ - God intends to redeem or restore " _____ " in heaven and on earth, including our bodies.
 - c. God _____ His creation because He made and it is very special to Him.
 - i. See Heb. 11:3; Ps. 24:1; Gen. 1:31; 1 Tim. 4:4; Dt. 10:14; Ps. 104:24, 19:1, 66:4; Neh. 9:6; Col. 1:16; Rom. 1:20; Lk. 12:6, Lev. 25:1-5
 - d. It is His _____ or " _____ " where He resides.
 - i. Particularly Eden.
 1. See Ps. 78:69; Is. 66:1; Gen. 1-31-2:3; Ex. 15:17; Ps. 26:8
- III. Humanity's responsibility to _____.
 - a. See Genesis 2:15
 - i. Moses uses two words to describe man's responsibility to Eden:
 1. "abad"
 - a. To serve
 2. "shamar"
 - a. To protect
 - ii. These are words that Moses uses to describe the role of the _____.
 1. See Num. 3:7-8, 18:7

iii. Mankind is to be "priests" in the "temple" of God's garden.

1. We are to _____ it and _____ it because it is His dwelling place.

IV. Humanity's responsibility to the earth.

a. See Gen. 1:28

b. Earth and Eden are _____ the same thing.

i. The garden is a _____ area, with _____, within the greater scope called the earth.

c. God's First Commission:

i. Three specific tasks:

1. "Be fruitful, increase, fill the earth."

a. See Isaiah 45:18

2. "Subdue"

a. This does not mean _____ it.

b. But rather to _____ in God's creative process of bringing _____ to _____.

3. "Rule over..."

a. Remember we are "_____"; therefore, we are to rule just as God does.

b. Shepherd

c. See Psalms 8:6

d. In essence, Adam's and our _____ was/is to _____ the borders of the "garden" by _____ the chaos of "earth" with the "shalom" of God's _____, thus allowing Him to dwell with even more of His creation.

Prepared in Heaven - Revealed on Earth

NT Text	What	Verb	For Whom	Where	Future Expectation
1 Cor. 2:9		has prepared	those who love him		
Matt. 25:31, 34	Kingdom	prepared	for you		to be inherited (at the judgment)
1 Peter 1:3-5	inheritance, kingdom	kept	for you	in heaven	to be revealed in the last time
Col. 1:5	hope	stored up	for you	in heaven	
2 Cor. 5:1-5	dwelling, house	from	for us	heavenly	to be clothed (with a resurrected body)
John 14:1-3, 23	place, rooms	prepare	for you		Jesus will come again for His disciples
Phil. 3:20-21	citizenship		our	heaven	coming of the Savior, who will transform our bodies (resurrection)
Heb. 11:13-16	country, city	prepared	for them	heavenly	
Rev. 21:1-3	holy city, New Jerusalem	prepared	for Christ, her husband	heaven	coming down out of heaven from God

Scripture	Saving ACTIVITY of God	OBJECT of God's Saving Activity
Acts 3:17-21	Restoration	All things
Eph. 1:7-10	Gathering up, bringing together, uniting	All things is heaven and earth
Col. 1:16-20	Reconciliation (by removing the source of enmity, through the blood of the cross.)	All things, whether on earth or in heaven
Rom. 8:19-23	Liberation, setting free from bondage. Redemption.	Creation itself (Our bodies)
2 Pet. 3:10-13	Finding, disclosing, laying bare (having purified) Renewal, making new, re-creation.	Earth and the works in it. Heaven & Earth
Components of God's salvation plan	Restorative - Salvation is God repairing what went wrong with creation (not taking us out of the world to "heaven").	Comprehensive - God intends to redeem or restore "all things" in heaven and on earth, including our bodies.