THE REST OF THE STORY

Revelation 21:1-22:5

• In the next chapter, God will make all things new.

Revelation 21:1-8

• In the next chapter, we will be intimately <u>united</u> with God.

Revelation 21:9-21

• In the next chapter, the fullness of God's <u>Presence</u> will permeate God's people.

Revelation 21:22-27

• In the next chapter, we will see God as He is.

Revelation 22:1-5



FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

- 1. Read Matthew 6:19-21. How do you understand the meaning of verse 21? What are some ways you can practically apply this in your life?
- 2. Read Revelation 21:1-8. What is encouraging to you about these verses? What is your biggest question from these verses?
- 3. How would you explain the hope of Revelation 21:7?
- 4. Read Revelation 21:2 and 21:9-10. Why do you think God chose this metaphor for heaven? What can be gleaned both about marriage and our relationship with God from this metaphor (see 2 Cor 11:2-3, Eph 5:31-32, Exo 34:14)?
- 5. Read Revelation 21:22-27. Discuss how God manifested His Presence throughout the Bible culminating here. What encourages you about this?
- 6. Read Revelation 22:1-5. Why do you think we could not see God's face previously, but here we can? Do you have an opinion on whether seeing God transforms us, or if we're transformed so we're enabled to see God? (see Job 19:25-27, John 1:18, Exodus 33:18-23, 1 Cor 13:12, 1 John 3:2)
- 7. Through this entire series, in what ways has your own vision of heaven grown or changed?
- 8. Consider the quote that's at the bottom of this outline each week. What do you think this means? How does it relate to our vision of heaven and what drives us in life?

December 6, 2020

"I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now.... Come further up, come further in!" — C.S. Lewis, <u>The Last Battle</u>