

Daily Devotional Guide

Tuesday April 7, 2020

A - Approaching God – Start with Prayer

Take a few moments to quiet your heart and settle yourself before the Lord. As you do consider that God has created you for glory and honor. He longs to dwell with you. Let that humble you and quiet your spirit.

B - Bible Reading, Study & Meditation

Revelation 21:1–4 — 1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. **2** And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. **3** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. **4** He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

Questions for Study & Meditation

List all the aspects of what would be wonderful about the new heaven and new earth. What would be a part of a new heaven and new earth and what would NOT be a part of a new heaven and new earth?

How does your heart respond to this vision? Excitement, unmoved, cynical, etc. Express to the Lord the state of your heart and ask Him to awaken a hopeful and holy imagination within you.

Where does your heart grieve today because you are currently not experiencing the new heaven and new earth?

What does this passage teach you about God?

How does this aspect of God's character provide hope amidst this season of life?

How does knowing that all pain and sorrow and death and tears will be banished from the new heaven and new earth affect your life now on this present earth?

<u>C</u> - Close in Prayer & Song

Song for Prayer (click on song title to hear music) We Will Feast In The House OF Zion - Sandra McCracken