

Worshipping at the Throne
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Revelation 21:1-8

God makes all things **new!**

God is worthy to be praised; He is the only holy, righteous, loving and truthful One.

The people in Heaven worshipping the Lord are:

-**God's** People (vs.1-5)

-**Satisfied** and full people (v.6)

-**Overcoming** people (vs.7-8)

Genesis

Heavens and earth created (v.1:1)

Sun created, (v.1:16)

The night established, (v.1:5)

The seas created, (v.1:10)

The curse announced, (v. 3:14-17)

Death enters history, (v. 3:19)

Man driven from the tree, (v. 3:24)

Sorrow and pain begin, (v. 3:17)

Revelation

New heavens and earth, (v. 21:1)

No need of the sun, (v. 21:23)

No night there, (v. 22:5)

No more seas, (v. 21:1)

No more curse, (v. 22:3)

No more death, (v. 21:4)

Man restored to paradise, (v. 22:14)

No more tears or pain, (v. 21:4)

In between Genesis and Revelation we have a fallen mankind. However, even in this, God shows His grace.

God is the only one who can make all things new, He did it all throughout our journey as He used ordinary people for His plans:

The **Flood** in Genesis with Noah

Abraham, making him a great nation in Genesis.

Joseph, thru much **turmoil** and struggle saved (made new) his family.

Moses, thru the ups and downs led the people out of Egypt.

Joshua took the reins and though the minority, chose to **follow** the Lord.

Because the people were obstinate and disobedient God sent Judges to redirect/begin anew.

We see Ruth being made new thru the kinsmen redeemer.

We see Esther being set up for "such a time of this" to save her people and give them a chance.

We even see Job being made **new** after being stripped bare.

Solomon, in Ecclesiastes, finds out that nothing is new, and only the Lord can bring hope and satisfaction.

Jeremiah, in desperate times, reminds the people that God is what they need, even when they didn't want to hear.

Daniel chooses the Lord above earthly kings no matter the consequences.

Jonah seeks to run from God only to have God **chase** Him.

The Pharisees thought they have the answer in the "law" or legalism.

Jesus shows up and points the way.

The Church is born (a new beginning) pointing all to Jesus.

Paul is transformed and made new in a moment's time.

Many of the disciples are killed for their faith, only to be made new in Christ.

In Revelation we are given the promise that all will be well, all will be new; God is in control.

Based on Revelation 21 God is:

- 1) In the "**new**" making business. (vs. 1 and 6)
- 2) The **One** True God. (v.3)
- 3) The **peacemaker**. (v.4)
- 4) The Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the **End**. (v.6)
- 5) The **never** ending fountain. (v.6)

HE IS WORTHY TO BE PRAISED!!!

After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"¹¹ All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,¹² saying:

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Revelation 7:9-12

Prayer Focus:

Will you be around the Throne?

Are you "practicing" worshipping now?

Are you being made new?