The Comfort of Heaven's Promises

- JOHN 14:1-3 (NASB-U) "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. [2] "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. [3] "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also.
- John 14:1-3 (LBLA) 1 No se turbe vuestro corazón; creed en Dios, creed también en mí. 2 En la casa de mi Padre hay muchas moradas; si no fuera así, os lo hubiera dicho; porque voy a preparar un lugar para vosotros. 3 Y si me voy y preparo un lugar para vosotros, vendré otra vez y os tomaré conmigo; para que donde yo estoy, allí estéis también vosotros.

"How can you be sure there is a Heaven?"

- Because the soul of man has always longed for a place like heaven.
- Because Jesus said there was such a place.
- Because God's Word says there is such a place.

HEAVEN WILL BE READY

- <u>2 Cor. 5:1-4</u> (NASB-U) For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. [2] For indeed in this house we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven, [3] inasmuch as we, having put it on, will not be found naked. [4] For indeed while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed but to be clothed, so that what is mortal will be swallowed up by life.
 - <u>2 Corinthians 5:1–4</u> (LBLA) 1 Porque sabemos que si la tienda terrenal que es nuestra morada, es destruida, tenemos de Dios un edificio, una casa no hecha por manos, eterna en los cielos. 2 Pues, en verdad, en esta morada gemimos, anhelando ser vestidos con nuestra habitación celestial; 3 y una vez vestidos, no seremos hallados desnudos. 4 Porque asimismo, los que estamos en esta tienda, gemimos agobiados, pues no queremos ser desvestidos, sino vestidos, para que lo mortal sea absorbido por la vida.

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HEAVEN WILL BE MAGNIFICENT BEYOND ANTHING WE CAN IMAGINE.

<u>Revelation 21:10-23</u>
God loves beauty.

HEAVEN WILL BE RAPTURE

- The first is the absence of all evil
- And the second is the presence of all good.

HEAVEN WILL BE RESTORATION.

 John Bradford (1510-1555), less than five months before his death, wrote of the glories he anticipated in heaven.

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I am assured that though I want here, I have riches there; though I hunger here, I shall have fullness there; though I faint here, I shall be refreshed there; and though I be accounted here as a dead man, I shall there live in perpetual glory. Heaven is the city promised to the captives whom Christ shall make free; it is the kingdom assured to them whom Christ shall crown; there is the light that shall never go out; there is the health that shall never be impaired; there is the glory that shall never be defaced; there is the life that shall taste no death; and there is the place that passes all the world's imaginations. There is the world that shall never decline; there is every want supplied freely without money; there is no danger, but happiness, and honor, and singing, and praise and thanksgiving unto the heavenly Jehovah. "to him that sits on the throne," "to the lamb" that here was led to the slaughter, that now "reigns" on High.

"A city without pain, a city without sorrow, without sickness, without death. There is no darkness there. The Lamb is the light thereof. It needs no sun, it needs no moon. The paradise of Eden was as nothing compared with this one. The tempter came into Eden and triumphed, but in that city nothing that defiles shall ever enter. There will be no temper there. Think of a place where temptation cannot come. Think of a place where we will be free from sin; where pollution cannot enter, and where the righteous shall reign forever. Think of a city that is not built with hands, where the buildings do not grow old with time; a city whose inhabitants no census has numbered except the Book of Life. which is a heavenly directory. Think of a Book of Life, which is a heavenly directory. Think of a city through whose streets runs no tide of business, where no nodding hearses creep slowly with their burdens to the tomb; a city without grief or graves, without sins or sorrows, without marriages or mournings, without births or burials; a city which glories in having Jesus for its king, angels for its guards, and whose citizens are saints!"

HEAVEN WILL BE RESTORATION.

- <u>Rev. 21:3-4</u> (NASB-U) And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, [4] and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."
- <u>Revelation 21:3-4</u> (LBLA) 3 Entonces oí una gran voz que decía desde el trono: He aquí, el tabernáculo de Dios está entre los hombres, y Él habitará entre ellos y ellos serán su pueblo, y Dios mismo estará entre ellos. 4 Él enjugará toda lágrima de sus ojos, y ya no habrá muerte, ni habrá más duelo, ni clamor, ni dolor, porque las primeras cosas han pasado.

HEAVEN WILL BE REAL

- <u>2 Cor. 12:1-4</u> (NASB-U) Boasting is necessary, though it is not profitable; but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. [2] I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a man was caught up to the third heaven. [3] And I know how such a man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, God knows—[4] was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which a man is not permitted to speak.
- <u>2 Corinthians 12:1-4</u> (LBLA) 1 El gloriarse es necesario, aunque no es provechoso; pasaré entonces a las visiones y revelaciones del Señor. 2 Conozco a un hombre en Cristo, que hace catorce años (no sé si en el cuerpo, no sé si fuera del cuerpo, Dios lo sabe) el tal fue arrebatado hasta el tercer cielo. 3 Y conozco a tal hombre (si en el cuerpo o fuera del cuerpo no lo sé, Dios lo sabe) 4 que fue arrebatado al paraíso, y escuchó palabras inefables que al hombre no se le permite expresar.

<u>2 Cor. 4:16-17</u> (NASB-U) "Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day. [17] For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison..."

<u>2 Corinthians 4:16–17</u> (LBLA) – 16 Por tanto no desfallecemos, antes bien, aunque nuestro hombre exterior va decayendo, sin embargo nuestro hombre interior se renueva de día en día. 17 Pues esta aflicción leve y pasajera nos produce un eterno peso de gloria que sobrepasa toda comparación,

And all of that in comparison to what he saw...

momentary light affliction

HEAVEN WILL BE REUNION.

- <u>2 Samuel 12:23</u> (NASB-U) **"But** now he has died; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me."
- <u>2 Samuel 12:23</u> (LBLA) <u>23 Pero</u> ahora que ha muerto, ¿por qué he de ayunar? ¿Podré hacer que vuelva? Yo iré a él, pero él no volverá a mí.

EVERYTHING ABOUT HEAVEN WILL BE **RIGHT!!**