



Heaven in Black and White
Week 1 Discussion Questions: What Will Heaven Be Like?

GETTING STARTED

After catching up with each other, open your discussion with this question:

When you were a kid, what was the picture of heaven that you had in your mind? Has that changed over the years? If so, how?

-Pray together to open your Bible study and discussion time.

Designate one person to read 2 Corinthians 5:1-6 out loud, as the group follows along.

1. There are probably things we think we know about heaven that are actually false, and then there are lots of things that we just do not know yet. But the Bible does speak to many of our questions about heaven, and the Spirit reveals truth to us. So, looking at these verses from 2 Corinthians what are some of the things that we can know “in black and white” about heaven?

Designate one person to read Revelation 21:1-5 out loud, as the group follows along.

2. What particularly stands out to you in these verses? What hope do you see in these verses?
3. Look at Revelation 21:3. Where will God’s dwelling place be? When you think of dwelling with God for eternity, does that seem comforting or intimidating? Why?
4. What is the most beautiful place you have ever been? What did it feel like to be in that place? Have you ever been in a beautiful place with someone you loved? How did that enhance the experience?
5. Go back and specifically look at Revelation 21:5. “I am making everything new!” Why is it an important distinction to note that God is making all things new, **not** all new things?

CLOSING QUESTION

Designate one person to read Acts 3:19-21 out loud, as the group follows along.

6. God is redeeming and restoring all of Creation. But there is an “already and not yet” aspect to this redemption and restoration. Everything is not yet as it will be, but God is bringing about restoration all of the time. In your life, have you experienced glimpses of God’s restoration? How so?

-Pray together to close your time.

LOOKING AHEAD

In your anchoring time this week...

- **FOCUS** on the promise that there is a place being prepared for you! (John 14:1-3)
- **THANK** God for the promise that He will dwell with us in that place. (Revelation 21:3)
- **CONFESS** the doubts and fears you have about what happens when you die. (John 11:25-26)
- **ASK** God to show you how you can participate in His restoring work this week. (Revelation 21:5)

