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Revelation 21:1-8



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Eternity



In these verses, God shows the author John in a vision what it will be like when God has finally reached His goal. John sees a new heaven and a new earth. Everything that could remind of sin – also everything belonging to the first creation – has passed away. “Behold, I make all things new.”

Two groups of people are mentioned:

- “the tabernacle (tent) of God” (v3) – this is the church consisting of all people who have believed in Jesus in the time in which we live –
- And “men”, the believers of other times (see info text).

The place where all unbelievers are is also their final destination and cannot be changed any more – the lake of fire, hell (v8).



52. What will there be no more in the new earth?
53. What is another name for the eternal lot of the unbelievers?



In the eternal state two „groups“ of people should be distinguished:

- The people on the new earth, who are called the people of God (v3) – all believers who don’t belong to the church.
- Those who live in the new heaven and are the tabernacle of God with men – the believers of the church.



Where will you spend eternity?



52. There will be no more tears, death, sorrow, crying or pain (v4).
53. The lot of the unbelievers is also called “the second death” (eternal separation from God) (v8).