Isaiah 66

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INTRODUCTION

- The Lord promised new heavens and a new earth. Where is this referred to in the New Testament and what does it mean? It's in Revelation 21.
- Others, that is non-Jews, will join the faithful remnant as servants of God and will be called by a new name.

1 Bracketed Between Times of Messiah

Isaiah 11:10; Romans 15:8–12; Ephesians 2

- So bracketed in between times of Messiah, times of Messiah, we have this new heavens and a new earth.
- Wolf and the Lamb, it's descriptive of peace. There shall be peace on all my holy mountain. Figurative.
- So there's two keys to understanding. First is the bringing in of the Gentiles is under Jesus.
- The middle wall of partition between Jew and Gentile is taken away. What was that middle wall of partition? It was the law of Moses.

2 New Heavens and New Earth: A New System of Rule

Psalm 104:30; Isaiah 34:4; Jeremiah 3:16–17

- But when God comes in judgment, nations change. A new order.
- And so when we talk about new heavens and new earth, I believe he's saying specifically a new order or a new system of rule.
- When the host of heaven is rolled up like a scroll, the system of rule that exists is going to be closed like a book.
- So the context is the law of Moses versus the law of Christ.

3 The Voice of Weeping No Longer Heard

Isaiah 65:18–19; Isaiah 22

- The Lord will slay you and call his servants by another name. And that new name is associated with the new heavens and the new earth.
- The voice of weeping will no longer be heard in her, nor the voice of crying.
- And so if there's no weeping, it's associated with no judgment. A close walk with God, with no judgment.

4 Long Life and Assurance: A Closer Walk With God

Isaiah 65:20–25; Isaiah 11:6

- For the child shall die 100 years old, but the sinner being a hundred years old shall be accursed.

- It's going to be a closer walk with God. It's going to be a restoration back to the times when men walked closer with God before these great judgments.
- You sowed and you reaped, and somebody else took it. Why? Because you were not walking with God.
- But in the times of the blessedness of walking with God, before they call, I'm there to answer.
- Natural enemies are made to be in peace. That's the picture of the Messianic kingdom. And I say to you, that's your now.

5 A Promise Remains: The Picture Is Not Complete

2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:4

- Nevertheless, we according to his promise look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.
- Is it possible that these things that we've seen in Isaiah are fulfilled in the Messianic kingdom, but that's not the end of it?
- So this new heavens and new earth, new system of rule. Yes, it's here in days of Messiah, and these things are fulfilled, but not completely.
- When the last enemy is conquered, the last enemy is death, and Christ hands the kingdom over to the Father. Yes, it's a new order.

6 Isaiah 66: Comfort for Servants, Judgment for Enemies

Isaiah 66:1–2; Isaiah 66:24; Mark 9:44

- God says, Heaven is my throne, earth is my footstool.
- What's important is the one who has a contrite spirit. The one who trembles at my word.
- He demands not just physical obedience, but obedience from the heart.
- Servants of God will be with him and will be comforted. Those that reject him, they will face retribution from God, his anger.

MY NOTES