

## The New Creation

*Isaiah 65:17-25*

1. A New \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17-18)
  - a. With former things \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. With eternal \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_ = rejoicing
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ of Jerusalem = joy
2. A New \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 19-23)
  - a. The City and “My” People bring joy to \_\_\_\_\_!
  - b. No more \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. The sound of \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. The sound of a call for \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. No more (untimely) \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. Of dying \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Of dying \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. No more \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. Of \_\_\_\_\_ labor
    - ii. Of \_\_\_\_\_ labor
    - iii. Of \_\_\_\_\_ labor (\_\_\_\_\_)
    - iv. Of \_\_\_\_\_ labor (\_\_\_\_\_)
3. A New \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 24-25)
  - a. With the \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. He will answer before they \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. He will hear before they \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Within \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. Ending \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Restoring \_\_\_\_\_ (11:6-9)

“He will swallow up death forever...”

*Isaiah 25:8a*

“But according to His promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.”

*2 Peter 3:13*

“They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.”

*Isaiah 11:9*

### **Raymond Ortlund, Jr. on Isaiah 65:24-25**

“How big is your hope? Is the wingspan of your hope big enough to get you soaring? Is your hope big enough, human enough to include whole nations and the entire created order, with wolves and lambs and lions thrown in for good measure? Hope on this grand scale – this is the gospel. It’s big. It offers both the prospect of personal intimacy with God forever and a renewed world of peace and righteousness. It isn’t just one or the other. God has a plan for you and for this whole world. The Lord Jesus Christ died for this, and he will not be denied.

“Your enjoyment of God can begin now. It *must* begin now. Enter into Christ with nothing but need. He will re-create you. The gospel says, ‘If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come’ (2 Corinthians 5:17). If you are in Christ, God has not just patched your old you. He has made you *new*. And you will enjoy God forever in endless newness.

“Every day you and I are tempted to throw this hope away. But what for? This broken-down, fifth-rate world? It isn’t worth it. ‘What no eye has seen, nor ear hear, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him...’ (2 Corinthians 2:9) – *that’s* what we’re living for. Not the weekend, but The End.”

### **Read through the Bible in a year!**

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