

Transition to the New Jerusalem

Rev 21:1-3

1:9-22:9, Four Visions “in the Spirit”

1:9-3:22, 7 Letters to the Churches

4:1-16:21, 7 Seals, Trumpets, & Bowls

17:1-21:8, Defeat of Satan’s System

21:9-22:5, The Bride of Christ

Heaven & Earth Passed Away

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the **heavens shall pass away** with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the **earth** also and the works that are therein **shall be burned up**.

2Pet. 3:6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

Gen 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the **fountains of the great deep** broken up, and the **windows of heaven** were opened.

17:1-20:15, Defeat of Satan’s System

17:1-19:10, Rise and Fall of the Whore Babylon

- 17:1-18, Babylon & the **Beast**
- 18:1-24, Babylon’s **Mourners**
- 19:1-10, Babylon’s **Conqueror**

19:11-20:15, Judgment of the Beast, Satan, and the Wicked

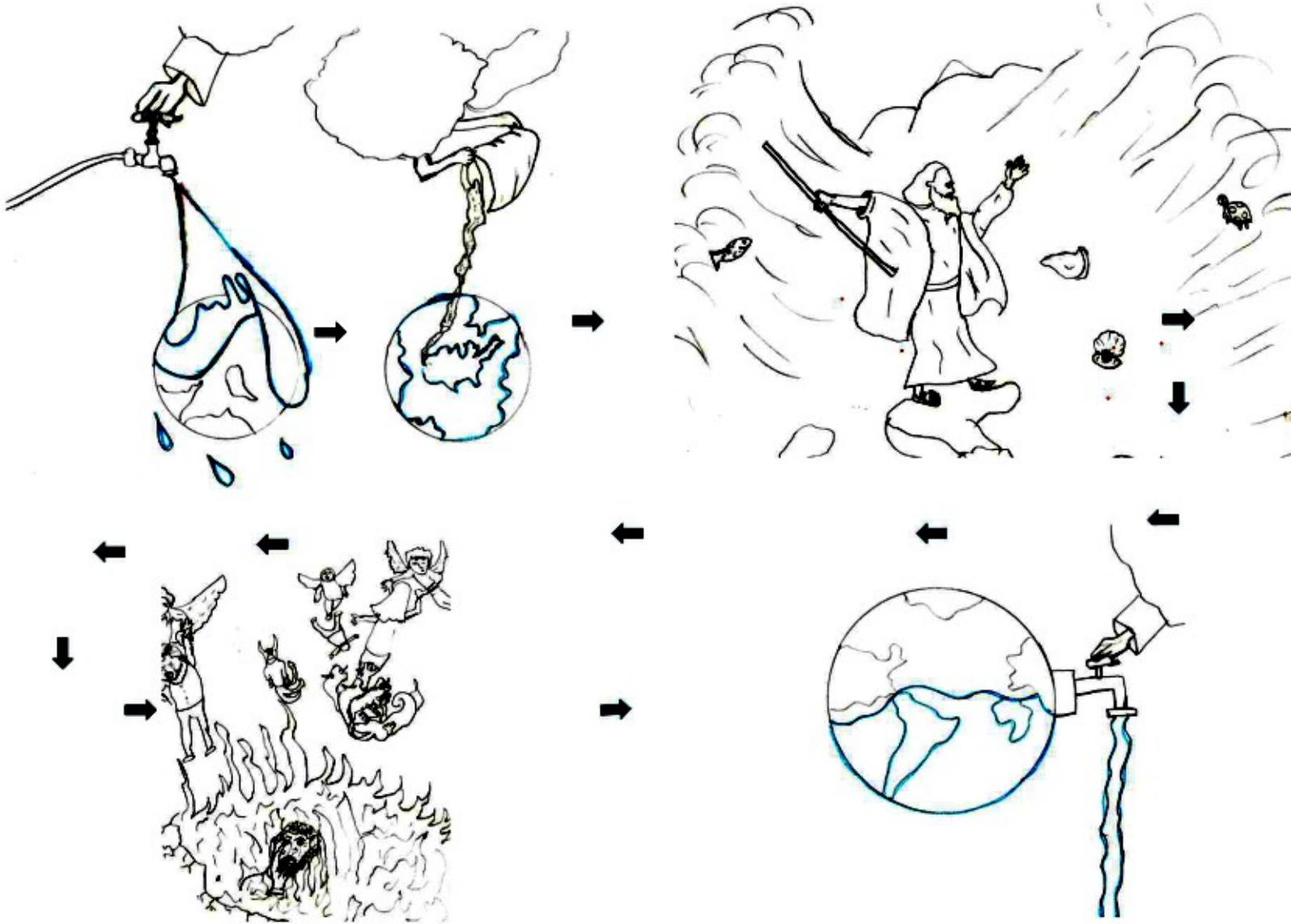
- 19:11-21, Beast → **Lake of Fire**
- 20:1-10, Satan → **Lake of Fire**
- 20:11-15, Unbelievers → **Lake of Fire**

21:1-8, Transition

- 1-4, **New Jerusalem**
- 8, **Lake of Fire**

21:9-22:5, **New Jerusalem**

... and there was no more sea ...



1. Genesis 1: 2

² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

2. Genesis 1: 9

And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

3. Exodus 14:16

But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

4. Revelation 19:20

20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

5. Revelation 21:1

And there was no more sea.

Isaiah's Summary of Last Things

Isaiah 26-27: Tribulation

Isa 26:16 LORD, in **trouble** have they visited thee, they poured out a prayer when thy **chastening** was upon them. 17 Like as a woman with child, that draweth near the time of her delivery, is in **pain**, and crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD. 18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen. ... 20 Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the **indignation** be overpast.

Isaiah 26-27: Resurrection

Isa 26:19 **Thy dead men shall live**, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and **the earth shall cast out the dead**. ... 21 For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

Isaiah 26-27: Death of Leviathan

Isa 27:1 In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall **punish leviathan** the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall **slay the dragon that is in the sea**.

New Heaven and New Earth, or Millennium?

Isa 65:17 For, behold, **I create new heavens and a new earth**: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. 18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create **Jerusalem** a rejoicing, and her **people** a joy. 19 And I will rejoice in **Jerusalem**, and joy in my **people**: and **the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying**. 20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for **the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed**. 21 And they shall build houses,

and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. 22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ... 25 **The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat**. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

Isa 9:6-7
 • A child is born
 • Government upon his shoulder

Dan 12:2
 • Some raised to life
 • Some raised to contempt

Ezek 38-39
 • Gog & Magog
 • Birds eating the fallen

Isa 65:17-25
 • Prosperity, death & sin
 • New Heavens & New Earth



New Jerusalem = Bride of Christ?

God's People as his Bride

Isa 62:4 ... but thou shalt be called Hephzibah [my delight is in her], and thy land Beulah [married]: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married. 5 For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and **as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee.**

Hos 1:2 And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: **for the land hath committed great whoredom, departing from the LORD.**

Jer 3:1 They say, **If a man put away his wife**, and she go from him, and become another man's, shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted? but **thou hast played the harlot with many lovers; yet return again to me**, saith the LORD.

Ezk 16:8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, **thy time was the time of love**; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I swear unto thee, and **entered into a covenant with thee**, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

Eph 5:31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. 32 This is a great mystery: but **I speak concerning Christ and the church.**

City or People?

Rev 3:12 Him that overcometh will **I make a pillar** in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and **I will write upon him** the name of my God, and **the name of the city of my God**, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Php 3:20 For **our conversation [citizenship] is in heaven**; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Isa 65:18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create **Jerusalem** a rejoicing, and her **people** a joy. 19 And I will rejoice in **Jerusalem**, and joy in my **people**:

21:3 A great voice out of heaven

Rev. 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were **great voices in heaven**, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of **our** Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Rev. 12:10 And I heard a **loud voice saying in heaven**, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of **our** God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Rev. 14:2 And I heard a **voice from heaven**, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

3 And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were **redeemed from the earth**.

Rev. 19:1 And after these things I heard a **great voice of much people in heaven**, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

The Relations between God and Man in 21:3

Rev 21:3

a) The **tabernacle** of God is with men,

b) and he will **dwel** [tabernacle] **with them**,

c) and they shall be **his people**,

d) and God himself shall be **with them**,

e) and **be their God**.

Gen 17:7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, **to be a God unto thee**, and to thy seed after thee.

Exo 6:7 And **I will take you to me for a people**, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

Exo 25:8 And let them make me a **sanctuary**; that I may **dwel** among them.
Rev 21:22 And I saw **no temple** therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.
Jhn 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and **dwelt** among [tabernacled] us,

Matt 1:23 (Isa 7:14) Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, **God with us**.