



A Forever Promise

The new heaven and the new earth
Revelation 1:17-18; 21:1-7



Review and Discussion:

Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ★ **What did John see in his vision?** (Jesus showed John a new heaven and a new earth and God's Holy City, the new Jerusalem.)
- ★ **What will be gone forever in the new heaven and new earth?** (There will be no tears, pain or death.)
- ★ **Who did Jesus say the new world is for?** (His children, those who are faithful to Jesus)

Read the following thought aloud to help increase your child's understanding:

Jesus shared a wonderful promise with John that is for all people who choose to trust in Jesus and follow Him. In our world today, we experience pain, sorrow and death. But these things will not be part of the new heaven and new earth!



Explore God's Big Story:

Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God's Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

The end of God's Big Story is really a new beginning with Jesus in a brand new heaven and earth made by God. When we turn away from our sin and trust in Jesus, we can know that this future promise and new beginning is for us, too.



Memory Verse:

"To all (extend hands out in a broad sweeping gesture) who are thirsty (pretend to drink) I will give freely (extend your hands forward, palms up) from the springs of the water (make a wave motion with your hands) of life (make a circular motion over your heart)."

Revelation 21:6b (NLT)



Talk to God:

Dear God,
What a wonderful future You have in store for Your children! When I feel pain and sadness, help me to know that one day I will live with You in a brand new heaven and earth where there is no more suffering.
Amen.

