

Glory Is in His Hands
Revelation 21:9-27, Pew Bible p. 1041
August 3, 2025

I. The Beauty of Heaven (V. 9-21)

- A. The beauty of heaven proclaims the authority of God.
- B. The beauty of heaven proclaims the love of God.
- C. The beauty of heaven proclaims the perfection of God.

II. The Sufficiency of Heaven (V. 22-27)

- A. The sufficiency of heaven reminds us that God is satisfying.
- B. The sufficiency of heaven reminds us that God is sanctifying.

Discussion Questions

1. Read Revelation 21:9-27
2. Have you ever been invited to an event or a house that was decorated when you arrived?
 - a. What did those decorations communicate to you?
 - b. What do the decorations in heaven (V. 12-21) communicate to you about God's desire for you?
3. What does the size of heaven in verses 16-17 communicate to you about the greatness of God?
4. What does God adorning heaven with reminders of Israel and the apostles (V. 12-14) tell you about God's memory of His promises?
5. What does the lack of a temple or sun (V. 22-23) say to you about how sufficient God is in heaven? Why does that matter?
6. What does the lack of anything unclean (V. 27) say about the holiness of God?
 - a. Why is it so important that heaven be free of anything unclean?
 - b. How can anyone expect to be qualified for such a perfect place as heaven?
7. Pray for our church to look forward to heaven well and look to God's presence as their sustenance. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00-6:30 pm in the Worship Center lobby.

John 4:21-24 (ESV)

²¹ Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews ²³ But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting:

- Praying for people considering salvation and baptism to take their next step towards Jesus.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain; Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona; Nathan & Becky F. with MAF; Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand; Jules S. in Thailand; and Sylvia M. and Andrew M. at ASU West, Glendale, Arizona.
- PRAY for all our students: elementary school, middle school, high school, and college. No matter whether they are in the classroom, an online setting, or a home school setting, our students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- PRAY for family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus:
Sharon L. (children & grandchildren); Marge D. (son, Matthew); Rezwana D. (parents); Margaret J. (Tom & Bob); Gary & Betty B. (grandchildren & siblings); Sophia W. (husband); Charity M. (daughter); Kayla P. (nephew, Jordan); Michelle LaM. (son); and Debbie B. (son-in-law).
- PRAY for families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones:
Del M. (wife), Bonnie V. (husband), Mel A. (wife), Gary C. (wife), Darlene R. (husband), Woody S. (wife), Elizabeth K. (mother), Wendell W. (wife), Bias/Patterson (nephew)
- PRAY for those struggling with ongoing health and other issues:
Marjorie R. (back pain), Betty W. (recovering from car accident), Gaylon and Judy K. (health issues), Dawn C. (surgery recovery), Isaac S. (surgery recovery), George O. (surgery recovery), Darlene R. (surgery), Jack S. (surgery)
- PRAY for others that you are aware of.