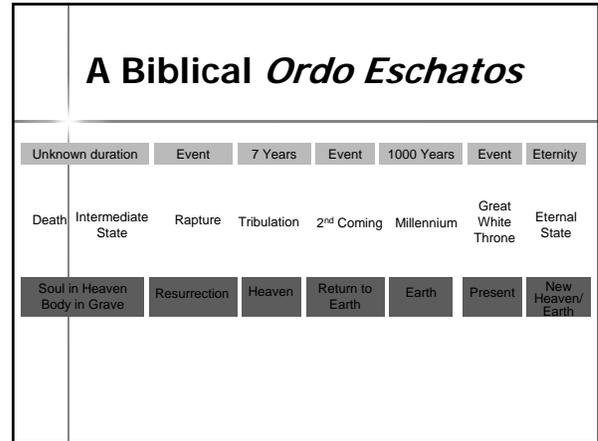


“Then I Saw a New Heaven & a New Earth”



### The Destruction of the Current Universe

- Ps. 102:25-26 – “Of old You founded the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. “Even they will perish, but You endure; And all of them will wear out like a garment; Like clothing You will change them and they will be changed.
- Is. 34:4 – And all the host of heaven will wear away, And the sky will be rolled up like a scroll; All their hosts will also wither away As a leaf withers from the vine, Or as *one* withers from the fig tree.

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- Is. 51:6 – “Lift up your eyes to the sky, Then look to the earth beneath; For the sky will vanish like smoke, And the earth will wear out like a garment And its inhabitants will die in like manner; But My salvation will be forever, And My righteousness will not wane.
- Matt. 24:35 -- “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

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- Heb. 12:26-27— And His voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, “YET ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH, BUT ALSO THE HEAVEN.” This *expression*, “Yet once more,” denotes the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of created things, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

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- Rev. 20:11 – Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them.
- Rev. 21:1 – Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer *any* sea.

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Matt. 19:28 - And Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, that you who have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.</li> <li>■ Acts 3:21 - whom heaven must receive until <i>the</i> period of restoration of all things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from ancient time.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Rom. 8:19-22 - For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <b>Destroy &amp; Make Entirely New</b>   |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Heb. 1:11-12 - THEY WILL PERISH, BUT YOU REMAIN; AND THEY ALL WILL BECOME OLD LIKE A GARMENT, AND LIKE A MANTLE YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP; LIKE A GARMENT THEY WILL ALSO BE CHANGED. BUT YOU ARE THE SAME, AND YOUR YEARS WILL NOT COME TO AN END."</li> <li>■ 2 Pet. 3:10 - But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.</li> <li>■ Cf. Rev. 20:11 – no place was found for them.</li> <li>■ Rev. 21:1</li> <li>■ <u>2 Pet. 3:10-13</u></li> </ul> |

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|  | <b>OT Prophecy</b>   |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Is. 65:17 – "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former things will not be remembered or come to mind.</li> <li>■ Is. 66:22 – "For just as the new heavens and the new earth Which I make will endure before Me," declares the LORD, "So your offspring and your name will endure.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <b>NT Prophecy</b>  |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 2 Pet. 3:13 – But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <h2>A Real Place</h2>  |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ John 14:2-3 - "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for <u>I go to prepare a place</u> for you. "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that <u>where I am</u>, <i>there</i> you may be also.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <h2>General Description</h2>   |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Ps. 16:11 - In Your presence is fullness of joy; In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.</li> </ul> |

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|  | <h2>A Couple Implications</h2>  |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Don't be too connected to this world; instead, stay focused on godliness and holy conduct &amp; live in anticipation of our Lord's coming.       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2 Pet. 3:11-13</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Understand that God intends for us to live in eager anticipation of being in our eternal home.       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heb. 11:9-10</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Be willing to suffer the reproach of Christ here.       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heb. 13:13</li> <li>- Heb. 13:14</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

