

Making All Things New

Supplies:

- Bible
- Paper or journal and writing utensil

Read Revelation 21:2–5. In this almost last chapter of the Bible, we see the image of the Holy City coming down from heaven and hear the voice of God saying, “Behold, I make all things new.” Talk about these verses in your family circle or by yourself write the answers with pen and paper, using these or similar questions:

- What losses have you experienced, such as moving to a new place, the death of a pet or a loved one, a friend moving away, a loss of a job, changing schools, the loss of freedom from driving or independent living, health, and so forth?
- What makes you cry?
- What “old things” do you want to let go of in your personal life or in your relationships? (For the grown-ups, this might be a pattern of unforgiveness or a tendency to hold onto old resentments. For the kids, this might be an unwillingness to share toys with a sibling or friend, whining or pouting, or a rebellious attitude toward parents or a teacher.)
- How would you like to see those “old things” change? What “new things” would you like to see in their place?
- What kinds of beauty do you think we possess in the eyes of God? In what ways are we of infinite value?
- If we are of such value to God, how should we see one another?
- What one thing can you do to begin to “make all things new” in your life?

