

1 **THE BEGINNING OF THE END**

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6 **THE NEW PLANET EARTH**

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9 The Bible teaches that at the end of the Millennium (the 1,000-year rule
10 of Christ on this earth) God is going to destroy this planet Earth and create
11 an all-new one. One without sickness and death or any kind of threat to
12 those who love God...

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14 Isaiah 65:17

15 *For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall*
16 *not be remembered, nor come into mind.*

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18 Isaiah 66:22

19 *For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall*
20 *remain before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your*
21 *name remain.*

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23 2 Peter 3:13

24 *Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a*
25 *new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.*

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27 Revelation 21:1

28 *And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the*
29 *first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.*

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31 This old earth has been severely beaten up through the centuries with
32 wars, plagues, catastrophes and cemeteries all over. Plus, the curse of sin
33 is rampant. God is going to end it and start all over with a new heaven and
34 a new earth.

1 If the only investments you have made have been earthly ones, you have
2 invested poorly.

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4 First Assembly, over the past 33 years, has invested tens of millions of
5 dollars in reaching the lost for eternity. That, my friends, is a
6 GREAT INVESTMENT!

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8 **BUT TRULY... OUR INVESTMENT HAS BEEN**
9 **IN A PERSON, NOT JUST A PLACE!**

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12 John 14:3

13 *And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive*
14 *you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.*

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16 Colossians 3:4

17 *When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with*
18 *him in glory.*

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20 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

21 *For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the*
22 *voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in*
23 *Christ shall rise first: [17] Then we which are alive and remain shall be*
24 *caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air:*
25 *and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*

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27 1 John 3:2

28 *Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what*
29 *we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like*
30 *him; for we shall see him as he is.*

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32 Can you imagine that Jesus will actually live among us on His newly
33 created planet?

1 Revelation 21:3
2 *And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle*
3 *of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his*
4 *people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.*

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6 IT IS THE PERSON WHO IS EMPHASIZED IN ALL THE PASSAGES
7 DEALING WITH OUR HOPE – RATHER THAN THE PLACE TO
8 WHICH WE ARE TAKEN.

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10 This is part of Christ’s priestly prayer in John 17:24
11 *Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where*
12 *I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou*
13 *lovedst me before the foundation of the world.*

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15 What will we do during that time?

16 John 17:24

17 *Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where*
18 *I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou*
19 *lovedst me before the foundation of the world.*

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22 I cannot imagine the thrill of beholding His glory.

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25 Some of you will remember June 1, 1953, at Westminster Abbey in
26 London. There a 25-year-old young lady named Elizabeth took the oath
27 and became the queen of England. As a part of that glorious ceremony,
28 she sat in a magnificent old oak chair - King Edward’s chair - and was
29 crowned queen. Some years later, Darlene and I were in Westminster and
30 way back behind the nave we came across that very chair.

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33 **I TELL YOU I HAD GOOSEBUMPS...**
34 **AND I’M NOT EVEN BRITISH.**

1 So can you possibly imagine how we will respond in this new earth
2 situation knowing that Jesus Christ actually lives and reigns from where
3 we are?

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5 **YOU AND I WILL ACTUALLY WITNESS THE ETERNAL GLORY**
6 **OF JESUS, THE CHRIST!**

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