



## Heaven: How much do you know about Heaven the “*New Jerusalem*”?

We all know that God is holy and powerful. We all can see God’s creative power & artistry on earth: So many species of life and their complex DNA, atoms, molecules and galaxies farther than any telescope can see. Even better: God’s excellence allows Him to make Heaven far more beautiful than earth. Jesus explained the salvation He gives to sinners who repent: it includes mercy and payment for their sins and a home in His Kingdom for eternity, John 14:2. The streets in “*New Jerusalem*” are made of “*pure gold*”, Revelation 21:21. Science discovered “*pure gold*” looks like red glass. All 12 entrance gates are made of “*solid pearl*”. “*New Jerusalem*” is a large cube structure “*1,500 miles long and wide and high*”, R.21:17. Diamonds are very strong and beautifully refract light - historically called “*jasper*”. You will be glad to know God made bigger diamonds for Heaven. The city walls are made of diamond, R.21:11, making “*New Jerusalem*” a gleaming brilliance inside and outside. The diamond walls are “*200 feet thick*” R.21:17, strong enough to support the “*12 foundation*” floors. *New Jerusalem* is a very big 12-story structure. Each floor is made of a different jewelry stone. The 1<sup>ST</sup> foundation floor is diamond, the 2<sup>ND</sup> foundation floor is sapphire, the 4<sup>TH</sup> foundation floor is emerald, & the 12<sup>TH</sup> foundation floor is amethyst. All 12 are listed in your Bible R.21:19-20. Each floor has so much area for “*many mansions*”, made for God’s servants/partners in righteousness. The best part of Heaven is God’s excellent leadership. Have you ever met a mature Christian? God has the power to change a rebel’s heart. ‘Born again’ Christians are learning to ‘*want to*’ live obediently. God uses hard lessons on earth to change the heart desires of genuine believers toward maturity: “*love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.*” Gal.5:22. That verse also describes God’s loving personality and God teaches His children. The best part of Heaven is: God’s loving personality glorifies all of the social & government relationships. God’s radiant glory lights everything R.22:5 and a rainbow surrounds His throne R.4:3. The “*river of life*” flows from God’s throne, then out to water the new nations around the new earth. The “*tree of life*” has a different fruit each month of the year R.22:1-2. Originally this earth was like the “*garden of Eden*”, but the devil’s sins and mankind’s sins polluted this earth in many ways. God will replace this sin-cursed earth R.21:1-2. The “*New Jerusalem*” will be the Capital City on the new earth where God rules with His partners, no sinful politicians or citizens. God will correct each of us for our sins, and then God will wipe every tear from His children’s eyes, Rev. 21:4.

**[Side 2] Are you ready to rejoice in the holy presence of God? Most Americans are still enjoying their favorite sins, earning more of God's judgment. When people violate God's 10 Commandments, God gives their conscience a guilty fear & warning. Have you ever told a lie? Yes, we all have & God knows how many. Have you ever stolen anything? Or disobeyed your parents? Do you avoid God's honorable messengers? Does your heart covet more earthly stuff? God also records all sexual sins, including TV & computer sins. The 10 Commandments & Jesus' teachings judge many more sins - we are all guilty of rebellion. God says "There is none righteous, no not one." All sins are recorded R.20:12, & all sins must be paid for: either by Jesus' blood or on the sinner's soul forever. Hell is a dreadful place Luke16:19-31 of "unquenchable fire" Mark 9:42-48. God will not allow sin to ruin New Jerusalem. God loves us sinners Romans 5:8, & Jesus made the way for you to become "born again" into God's family. Every sinner needs to know they can't fast -talk out of God's judgment after they die, Heb.9:27. The only escape is to cry out to God for mercy, before your funeral Luke 18:10-14. Remember many funerals come unexpectedly. Salvation requires you to see the gravity of your sin and then promise to God that you turn away from your sinful ambitions & you now commit your heart to obey Jesus. If your repentance is a complete commitment, then your prayer of repentance forms a partnership that God owns your life and you become "born-again" into God's family. Be warned that Jesus rejects partial commitments & easy 'sinner's prayers' in Mat13:18-23, because they are secretly holding onto their favorite sins, so they fall-away to their favorite sins. If God owns your life, God will start cleaning out your old heart using your painful failures to teach you to hate sin & love obedience, as described on side 1. The devil will keep trying to trick you into sins, if you slip and fall, then apologize to God 1<sup>st</sup>Jn 1:9, & learn from your failures. The devil wants you to fall away, like he did. Sadly many Americans & most pastors have fallen away from believing and obeying, just like the devil; the proof is their secret lifestyle of greed, sensuality & worldliness, Luke 16:13. Those fallen preachers, 2Tim 3:1-9, use their talents to make up an easy-believism false gospel Gal 1:8, for easy money, they deliberately reduce Jesus' teachings. Another problem is many people say they pray to God, but their prayers are self-centered chatter. Instead they should start listening to God speak to them through His word. The ESV New Testament is easier to read and listen to on CD's. When you understand the pain Jesus went through to pay for your sins you will avoid sinning. Plead with God to change your heart & keep learning obedience from the testings God sends you. Live your life worthy of Jesus' sacrifice & God will give you eternal rewards in New Jerusalem. Free Bible studies and free Christian resources at [www.incpu.org/links.html](http://www.incpu.org/links.html)**