

SERMON TOPIC:

God's Eternal Plan

SERMON SUMMARY

The sermon focuses on God's eternal plan as revealed in Revelation 21, discussing how God will reverse the curse of sin and create a new heaven and earth. The pastor emphasizes that while we currently live under the effects of sin (pain, death, sorrow), there is hope in Jesus who became a curse for us to redeem us. The sermon contrasts the current fallen world with the perfect eternal state where God will dwell with His people and eliminate all suffering.

1. Jesus came to reverse the curse of sin by becoming a curse for us
2. Heaven will be characterized by God's presence and the absence of all evil and suffering
God will make all things new and wipe away every tear
4. Jesus is the Alpha and Omega - the beginning and end of God's eternal plan
5. Salvation through Christ is the only way to ensure our place in this eternal kingdom

KEY VERSES

- **Revelation 21:1-4**
- **Galatians 3:13**
- **John 14:2-3**
- **Colossians 1:15-17**

QUESTIONS

- What does it mean that Jesus became a curse for us, and why was this necessary?
- How does the promise of no more tears, death, sorrow, or pain in heaven encourage you in your current struggles?
 - What does it mean that God will 'tabernacle' or dwell with His people in heaven? How is this different from our current relationship with Him?
 - How should the reality of heaven impact how we live our lives today?
 - What does it mean that Jesus is the Alpha and Omega? How does this truth affect your faith?
Why do you think God chose to reveal these details about heaven to us in Scripture?
 - How does knowing that God will make 'all things new' change your perspective on current difficulties?

LIFE APPLICATION

This week, whenever you encounter something difficult or painful, take a moment to remember God's promise of a new heaven and earth where these struggles won't exist. Write down one current struggle and the corresponding promise from Revelation 21 that gives you hope. Share this with at least one other person to encourage them as well.