

Are You Ready For the New Heaven and the New Earth?

2 Corinthians 3:18 says that "we are being transformed into [Christ's] likeness" while Romans 8:29 reads that God has predestined His people to be conformed to the image of His Son: that is, to become like Jesus.

Psalms 45:16 Gives us a glimpse of our future with Christ and our future roles we are being called to: "Instead of Your fathers (the patriarchs) shall be Your sons (us!!), whom You shall make princes in all the earth."

'Sons' and 'princes' refers to "sonship" with God, or children of light. "While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." (John 12:36).

God asks us for our diligent search of applying His wisdom, His character and His promises to our lives, because of what we're being called to in God's future Kingdom as a "new heaven and a new earth."

Revelation 21:1.

We know this present earth is going to pass away (Matthew 24:35). Throughout God's word, God is setting the prophetic stage for a new earth! ... and we have a big part to play in it! This is a picture of God's millennial kingdom. God is raising up groups of faithful people as *leaders* with new roles in His future Kingdom!

We are called into "sonship" to become "children of light" (John 12:36) "as heirs of the Kingdom of God" (Romans 8:17) "who reign with Christ" (Revelation 20:6) "as kings and priests unto God" (Revelation 1:6) "And he that overcomes, and keeps my works to the end, to him will I give power over the nations" (Revelation 2:26).

We are also promised a "reward" for being faithful to the call of Christ upon our lives. (Ecclesiastes 9:5-6).

That's definitely going to require some training!

Those who submit to the training of the Lord through the work of the Holy Spirit, will ultimately be changed into glory like Jesus.

(Cf. Philippians 3:21)

Prayer to Take Our Heavenly Positions

Jesus, the whole world lies in the power of the evil one (1 John 5:19), but You have come to redeem us from out of it.

Begin to move me and change me to see the Kingdom of God take Its place in me.

Help me become the person -on this side of heaven- for which you have sent me to be for Your purposes and Your goodness.

All the ways of this world are against Yours

(1 John 2:15-17), so please take me into the mind of Christ to truly be in *right mind and truth* to the things of God applied to this realm.

Every time you see me acting contrary to Your character; please send me wisdom, correction, counsel and an overwhelming amount of grace to overcome whatever that may be.

Lead me into great spiritual understanding through the gifts mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:9.

Give me insight into how those specific gifts I am called to carry in this life should be shown to this world, for all to see Your light in me.

Jesus, Your word says "There is nothing new under the sun" ... "What has been done will be done again, and what has been will be again." (Ecclesiastes 1:9)

...Knowing this counts for the Kingdom of darkness, plus every good outcome which can magnify Yours; please show me which paths to take which lead to the light of God in all my ways.

Never in history has mankind seen what is coming upon the face of this earth in order of events shown in Your word; so please give me perfect instruction on how to be positioned in grace to overcome this present day, the strength to endure troublesome things, and the countenance of the image of God which I was made to be like.

Help me become a mantle on this side of heaven for the things which God has prepared for me to be and to do.

Give me counsel each day as You walk with me through the refiner's fire, as I become like silver and tested like gold (Zechariah 13:9).

Yet, all that glitters is not gold, so keep me from every temptation that has been set as a snare to trap the *position* for which You alone have called me take in this life.

May the God of truth, justice and righteousness see in me: the image of Himself when that day comes to which many have been called or chosen. Amen

Sincerely,
Inner Session