

*"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And He that sat upon the Throne said, '**Behold, I Make ALL Things New.**' And He said unto me, 'Write: for these Words are True and Faithful.'" *Revelation 21:4-5 KJV**



Each day is a new beginning. What ended badly may be restarted with new resolve and wisdom that only experience brings. The only time we ever have and control is the present moment. You may grieve or joy over yesterday, but it will be what it was, forever. You can plan for the next hour or month or year, but we all know there are no guarantees. Experience is just another word for failure. Pain instructs. A paddling steers a child away from future dangers. What deserves a paddling in childhood will merit prison in adulthood. It's love for a child that metes out punishment. Our Heavenly Father is no exception. *"My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him: For whom the Lord Loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth."* God reproves us in many ways when we stray. *"The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in HIS WAY."* Notice the conditional premise of *"a good man."* There is pure delight and bounty galore in the Path of obedience to God's Word. There are no stones of stumbling, pitfalls of despair, or clouds of doubt on its route. Earth is under a curse. *"The whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain"* When God closes time, He will create *"a NEW heaven and a NEW earth."* He will make *"ALL things NEW."* New galaxies; new planets; new earth; new senses: and the list continues. We'll hear the rainbow of color, smell the strains of music, see the aroma of a perfect rose, Taste the touch of a butterfly's wing, and touch the sound of Heaven's Symphony! There will be new air to breath; new flowers to enjoy; new skies to purvey; and new abilities to employ. Even the dirt and grass will be new. New water, valleys, and mountains will grace the landscape of Glory. If something exists now in earth and heaven, God will create it new and no doubt add to its resume. *"We, according to His Promise, look for NEW heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth Righteousness."* Everything will be new, flawless, and without curse. Exercise your imagination to exhaustion and you'll not begin to scratch the surface of eternity's rapture!

Every little blade of grass,
Ev'ry rose and flower we pass,
Ev'ry breath of air we breathe,
Shall be made new forever's eve! –CGP

We can daydream to our heart's delight of Father's Gifts that will be showered upon His children on the morn of Eternity's Day! Remember the excitement that kept you from sleep every Christmas Eve? The anticipation of those gifts is but a candle at noonday compared to what we should feel about our LORD'S promised Paradise! God has given each believer with His Blessed Presence and Word the ability to imagine the bliss that awaits us! This is a future that is planned, executed and made certain by God Himself. It will not and cannot change for the *"God which cannot lie"* has promised it! Let us rejoice in that anticipation from this day forward!

"But as it is written, 'Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.' BUT God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God." *1 Corinthians 2:9-10 KJV*