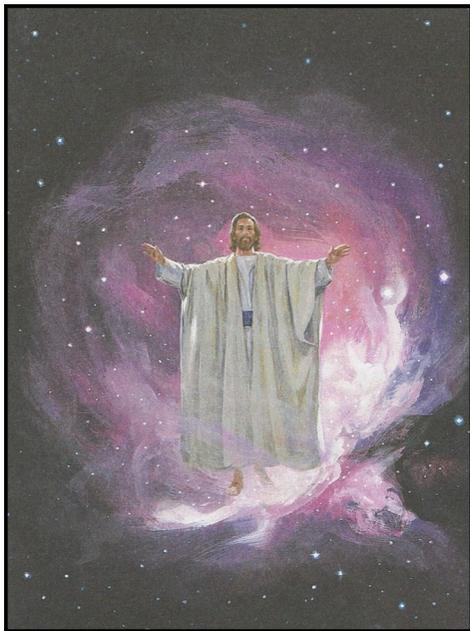


NOTE: God's invitation is open to everyone. Over the last several weeks, you have studied the great truths of the Word of God in this Prophecy Seminar. You have come face to face with Jesus Christ and have been asked to establish a deep, personal relationship with Him through daily Bible study, daily prayer and weekly Sabbath-keeping. The only ones who enter the holy city are those who have established this relationship with Jesus. The only way to begin this relationship is by accepting Him as your Saviour and Lord.

27. **Is it your desire to develop a beautiful relationship with Jesus through daily Bible study, daily prayer and weekly Sabbath-keeping, that you might be among the people who enter the holy city?**

"Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city" (Revelation 22:14)



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A large graphic for "PROPHECY SEMINAR". At the top, a woman in a gold and black outfit stands on a globe. The title "PROPHECY SEMINAR" is written in large, gold, stylized letters. Below the globe is a portrait of a man with a beard and long hair, looking upwards. At the bottom, a red banner contains the text "DANIEL'S FINAL INHERITANCE".

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DANIEL'S FINAL INHERITANCE

We have spent over thirty times together studying the book of Daniel. What an exciting adventure it has been! How thrilling to understand the great prophecies of the book of Daniel! What a tremendous message God has given us in that great Old Testament book!

We have studied the great prophecies of Daniel, we have examined the stories of Daniel. We have seen how the stories illustrate the end-time crisis predicted in the prophecies. Please turn to the exhibit with this lesson and fill in the appropriate answers to each of the questions. This exhibit will review the main point from each lesson. You will need to refer to your previous lessons for the answers. Also, at the end of this exhibit there is a chart which parallels each of the prophecies in Daniel. Be sure to check it often to get the broad picture of Daniel's predictions.

The book of Daniel has given us tremendous insights into what has happened in the past and what will happen in the future. We have learned that God is in control of human events, that the whole world is headed toward that grand, climactic event of history, the second coming of Christ. But the book of Daniel does not end with merely the recitation of world events; it also focuses on the ultimate kingdom that the saints inherit. That is the major focal point of most of the prophecies. We cannot end this study of the book of Daniel without one final focus on our glorious inheritance. To do this, we will study, not only what the book of Daniel says about the final inheritance, but also what the book of Revelation reveals about the final home of the redeemed.

1. What was Daniel told that he would do until the very end? Daniel 12:13

"For you shall _____."

NOTE: Daniel was told that he, like all God's saints who have died, will rest in the grave until Jesus comes and resurrects him.

2. When the consummation of all things happens, where will Daniel stand? Daniel 12:13

"For you shall . . . arise to your _____ at the end of the days."

NOTE: The New International Version translates this verse: "You will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance". Daniel, too, shall receive the grand inheritance of the saints. The book of Daniel ends with this triumphant note for its writer. He who was faithful through all the tribulations of ancient Babylon will receive his final inheritance. Likewise, the people of God in the last days can take courage. They may go through troublous times as Daniel did but like Daniel, they shall receive their final inheritance at the time of the end.

3. How has Daniel described this final inheritance? Daniel 2:44

"In the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a _____ which shall never be destroyed."

NOTE: What an amazing, absolutely perfect city! One furlong equals 1/8 of a mile, which would make the city 1500 miles in circumference, 375 miles on each side, containing 140,625 square miles. The wall, being 144 cubits or 216 feet high, makes this an absolutely glorious city, unlike any city ever seen on planet earth.

HEAVEN IS GOD'S HOME

23. Who will live in the new Earth? Revelation 22:3

"The throne of God and of the _____ shall be in it."

NOTE: Heaven and the new earth will be God's home.

24. Who will the righteous see in the new earth? Revelation 22:4

"They shall see His _____, and His name shall be on their foreheads."

NOTE: This is the glorious good news of heaven: Jesus will be there! The One who died for us will be our constant companion. That's what makes it heaven; without Christ it wouldn't be heaven. That must be the real reason that we want to go to heaven. We are so in love with Jesus Christ that we want to see Him who died for us. As the poet has said,

"O heaven without my Saviour would be no heaven to me. Dim were the walls of jasper, rayless the crystal sea."

25. How can I be there? Psalm 24:3, 4

"He who has _____ hands and a _____ heart."

NOTE: The only way to be there is to have clean hands and a pure heart: the way of forgiveness through a dying Christ and the way of a new heart and power to live through a living Christ. When the Lord of heaven sweeps through the gates of the New Jerusalem with the redeemed of all ages, the question is asked, "By what right do you enter here", and the answer returns in bold refrain, "We come by the blood-red banner of Calvary". There is no other way to come, no other door, no other gate. Everyone who enters the city will come by the way of the cross. Will you lift its banner now by an act of deliberate choice? There is no compulsion, just an appeal. But it means life, eternal life. Will you accept it?

26. What Is the final Invitation of Scripture? Revelation 22:17.

"And the Spirit and the bride say, ' _____!' And let him who hears say, ' _____!' And let him who thirsts _____, let him take the water of life freely."

more wonderful picture of peace could be given than this. The new earth will be a peaceful home. No more wars, no more bloodshed, no more strife. Heaven will be peaceful.

18. What will God finally remove from the new earth? Revelation 21:4

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more _____, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more _____, for the former things have passed away."

NOTE: What wondrous hope; what a glorious future! No death, no pain, no tears, no suffering! No wonder heaven will be a happy home.

19. What will the inhabitant not say in the new earth? Isaiah 33:24

"I am _____."

20. What happens to those who have had deformities In this world? Isaiah 35:5, 6

"Then the eyes of the blind shall be _____, and the ears of the deaf shall be _____. Then the lame shall _____ like a deer, and the tongue of the dumb _____."

NOTE: Absolutely fantastic! Imagine the sight as the scales fall from the blind man's eyes and he sees Jesus; as the lame man leaps for a joy and the deaf hears the voice of Jesus calling! In this picture of the new earth, there is no deformity. Everyone is fully restored.

21. How else does the Bible describe the New Jerusalem? Revelation 21:11

"Having the _____ of God."

22. Describe the glorious holy city. Revelation 21:12-21

- a. _____ gates.
- b. _____ foundations with names of _____ apostles.
- c. "The city is laid out as a _____."
- d. "Twelve _____ furlongs."
- e. Wall " _____ and _____ cubits."
- f. Wall made of _____ and city of pure _____.
- g. Streets of city are pure _____.

NOTE: The final inheritance of the saints is spoken of as a kingdom. It is not a mystical, spiritual place, but a living reality, a kingdom.

4. What will be given to the Son of Man at the time of the end? Daniel 7:13-14

"Then to Him was given _____ and _____ and a _____."

NOTE: Notice the reality of the inheritance that Christ receives for His people. It is an actual dominion and a real kingdom.

5. To whom does Christ give this kingdom and dominion? Daniel 7:27

"Then the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people, the _____ of the Most High."

6. As a result of the judgment, what do the saints possess? Daniel 7:22

"The time came for the saints to possess the _____."

NOTE: Throughout the book of Daniel, it is very clear that this final inheritance that Daniel, along with all the redeemed, receives is a real kingdom. So many people think of heaven as a place where the saints float on clouds and strum harps. But the Bible pictures heaven, the final inheritance of God's people, as being a kingdom. The very words "kingdom" and "dominion" indicate the reality of our inheritance.

THE REALITY OF HEAVEN

7. What does Jesus call the Inheritance of the saints? Matthew 25:34

"Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the _____ prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

8. Where is this kingdom located now? John 14:1-3

"In My Father's _____ are many mansions ... I go to prepare a _____ for you."

NOTE: Again, notice the reality of the inheritance given the saints. There is a special place prepared for them by Jesus. That place is in the Father's house. The Father's house is heaven. What a glorious privilege God has given us! A special place has been prepared for us in heaven itself! Jesus has prepared that place especially for you! Wonder of wonders. I have a place already prepared for me in the Father's house.

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9. When do the saints go to heaven? John 14:3

"I will come again and _____ you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also."

NOTE: God's people are received into the kingdom of heaven at the second coming of Christ. When Jesus comes, all of the redeemed go to heaven with Him.

10. How long do the righteous spend in Heaven? Revelation 20:6

"And shall reign with Him a thousand _____."

NOTE: Those who rise in the first resurrection have the privilege of spending 1000 years in heaven with Jesus (see Lesson 16).

11. At the end of the 1000 years, what does God create? Revelation 21:1, 2

"A new _____ and a new _____."

NOTE: At the end of the 1000 years, the wicked are completely destroyed and cease to exist (see Lesson 18). The earth is then recreated and becomes the home of God's people.

12. What did Jesus say that the meek would eventually inherit? Matthew 5:5

"The meek ... shall inherit the _____."

NOTE: After spending 1000 years in heaven, this recreated earth is given to God's people for their inheritance.

13. What kind of bodies will the saints have in the new earth? Philippians 3:21

"Who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His _____ body."

NOTE: Our bodies will be like Christ's glorified, resurrected body.

14. What kind of body did Jesus have after the resurrection? Luke 24:36-43

"A spirit does not have _____ and _____ as you see I have."

NOTE: Jesus' resurrected body had flesh and bones, He ate before the disciples. Everything about His body indicated that it was real. It was not a spirit body, it was a physical body. Likewise, the saints will have bodies like

Christ's body. Since we will have real physical bodies, we will recognize and know each other, just as the disciples knew their resurrected Lord.

15. What kind of activities will the saints do in the new earth? Isaiah 65:17, 21, 22

"They shall _____ houses and inhabit them; and they shall _____ vineyards and eat their fruit."

NOTE: The Bible describes real people doing real activities in the new earth. Heaven is not a flimsy fiction made up of harps, clouds and spirits, but a living reality.



WHAT WILL HEAVEN BE LIKE?

16. How does the Bible describe the beauty of the new earth? Isaiah 35:1, 2

"The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the _____."

NOTE: A desert is the most dreary place one can imagine in the present earth, but the Bible says that in the new earth, the desert will look like a rose garden. Can you even begin to imagine what the rest of it will look like? Heaven will be beautiful!

17. How does the Bible describe the peacefulness of the new earth? Isaiah 65:25

"The wolf and the lamb shall feed _____."

NOTE: Imagine the ferocious wolf and the gentle lamb feeding together. No