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This is a Dr. Charles Stanley devotional that really speaks to me. I hope it speaks to you also. Enjoy!

Revelation 21:1-21

The longer we live as Christians, the more we should feel like strangers in this world. Something within us recognizes that we're outsiders here, and we yearn for that day when Jesus opens the door of heaven and welcomes us home. Although everything that God has prepared for us is beyond our comprehension, John helps us catch a glimpse by describing the contrast between what we know in this world and what it will be like in heaven.

God will dwell among us. Throughout history, no human being could see God, but that barrier won't remain, because sin will be eradicated in us. Since we will be completely righteous forever, we will no longer have to continually fight off unholy urges.

Sin's consequences will pass away. All the suffering that has afflicted us will end. There will be no more tears, death, mourning, or pain. That is when we will discover firsthand the truth of Psalm 16:11 "In Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever."

Our new home will be glorious. Jesus assured His disciples He was going to prepare a place for them in His Father's house (John 14:2-3). The location is the New Jerusalem, and since it's a cube 1,500 miles on a side (Revelation 21:16), there'll be plenty of room for every believer. That remarkable place radiates the brilliance of God's glory like a large multi-faceted diamond. John compared its beauty to a bride who's adorned for her husband on their wedding day.

Fix a mental image of John's description in your mind. In those moments when this life disappoints you, remember that you're not home yet.

This reminds me of a song "The Guyer Family" used to sing titled "John Saw." Another beautiful song "The Lilly's" do is "Jerusalem." How wonderful and great heaven will be.