

LISTENING GUIDE

Revelation 22:1-5 – The Picture of Paradise

1. The Apostle John describes a picture of _____, which he saw in a _____ from God.
2. One of the keys to paradise is what is not there: “There is no _____.
3. We _____ are to blame for the curse.
4. The final blow of this curse is _____; separation from God.
5. God placed his name on us in our _____.
6. John describes three things we do in this Paradise:
 1. We _____ God.
 2. We _____ God’s face.
 3. We _____ for ever and ever.
7. Service to God is not _____, but _____.
8. We will be in a _____ relationship with God.
9. We are _____ in Christ.
10. The shift in perspective: We can live this way _____.

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

COMPLETE THESE QUESTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR YOUR LIFE GROUP.
BRING THIS SHEET AND A BIBLE WITH YOU TO YOUR LIFE GROUP.



WARM UP

Pastor opened up his sermon with some pictures of “paradise on earth.” What would your own personal “paradise on earth” be?

QUICK REVIEW

If pastor had to give an abbreviated version of this message, what one point would you tell him he must include?

INTO GOD’S WORD

The scripture reading on which this weekend’s message focused was a picturesque description of heaven. These glimpses of heaven God gives in his Word are intended for our encouragement and strength. The following sections of God’s Word all contain descriptions of heaven.

As you read them note the significant details that stand out to you. In what specific ways do these details encourage and strengthen you?

- 1) Isaiah 65:17-23

2) Revelation 7:9-17

The sermon highlighted the significant point that in this paradise there will no longer be any curse. The curse of sin has impacted human beings since the fall into sin. (You can read about some of the first consequences of this curse in **Genesis 3:16-19**)

What consequences of the curse of sin are you most looking forward to escaping when we live in harmony with God in heaven?

INTO MY LIFE

In Sunday's sermon, pastor talked about how service to God is not strenuous, but is joyful and fulfilling. While we will experience that joy and fulfillment completely in the life to come, our service to God now can also be fulfilling and joyful.

What specific joys and sense of fulfillment do you find in serving God?

In the sermon pastor shared that this perspective of the life to come, enables us to live paradise now.

In what areas of your life do you feel weak at “bringing paradise in”?

How might you ask God to lead you “live paradise now”?

SHARING & PRAYER

Your prayer requests:

