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Genesis 1:26 – "Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule  $\dots$ "

Romans 3:23 – "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

1 Peter 3:18 – "For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God..."

Revelation 21:5 – "He who sits on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.""

- I. New heaven and new earth (21:1-2, 15-16)
- II. Complete restoration of humanity
  - 1. Physically (21:1-4)
  - 2. Emotionally (21:4)

2 Corinthians 5:17 - "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

Isaiah 43:18-19 – "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing..."

Ephesians 4:22-24 – "Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and ....put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness."

- 3. Socially (21:2-4, 5:9-10)
- 4. Morally (21:10-11)
- 5. Spiritually (22:1-5)

Revelation 22:1-5

- 1. Serving God without hindrance
- 2. Complete closeness with God
- 3. Secure in His ownership
- 4. Continual growth
- 5. Reigning forever with God

## Faith Sheet

**Transformation Verse (April)** – Jesus said... "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even when he dies." John 11:25

**Main Truths**: God is the hero of The Story. He promised a complete restoration of heaven, earth and humanity. Every time a person is born again it reminds of His promise of all that is to come for His people. (Ezekiel 36:26-27, Heb. 9:14-15, Romans 8:28-30, and Rev. 21:1-5)

## #1- Reviewing This Past Sunday The Story: The Restoration Revelation 21:1-5

- 1. Read Revelation 21. And discuss with someone.
- 2. Do complete restoration and being with God forever with no death, no tears, etc. seem at times too good to be true? Does this truth motivate you see people be restored to God?
- 3. What comes to your mind and excites you when you think of overseeing God's new creation?
- 4. Pray specifically for someone to accept God's story!

## # 2- Preparing for Next Sunday Restoration: The Trinity for Today Genesis 1:26-31

- 1. Why do you think the Trinity is rarely mentioned in our everyday conversations?
- 2. The Trinity is the one true God. He eternally exists as three distinct persons, as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who are each fully and equally God. Discuss this definition of the Trinity with someone. What significance is it to us that we daily live under the care and rule of a Triune God? (James 1:17-18, Ephesians 1:3, and John 7:37-39)
- 3. How can we understand anything about the Trinity? (Psalm 25:4-5, Luke 24:32)
- 4. Pray for us to treasure and to make known the Triune God.