

be our king.' "He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it. "The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.' " "Well done, my good servant!" his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.' "The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.' "His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.'

**Revelation 14:13** Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

**James 2:14** What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him?

**James 2:18** Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.

**James 2:26** As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

**Revelation 2:2** I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance.

**Revelation 2:19** I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.

**Revelation 2:23** Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds.

**Revelation 3:1** I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.

**Revelation 3:8** I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

## Continuity Between Heaven & Earth

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### INTRODUCTION

#### HEAVEN

**Revelation 21:1-2 (The New Jerusalem )** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

**Luke 22:28-30** You are those who have stood by me in my trials. And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

**Revelation 20:4-5** I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection.

**Revelation 22:2-3** down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him.

## RESURRECTED BODIES

**Colossians 1:18** And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

**Philippians 3:21** who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

**Mark 14:24-25** "I tell you the truth, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of God."

**Luke 24:36-43** Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it.

**Matthew 27:51-53** At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs, and after Jesus' resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

## GOD'S PLAN

- + *Made the Heaven's and the Earth*
- + *God with Adam & Eve*
- + *Emmanuel – God with us*
- + *Thy Kingdom come on Earth as it is in Heaven*

**1 Corinthians 15:20-25** But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power.

- + *New Heaven & New Earth (God dwells with us)*

**Revelation 21:3-4** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

## DEEDS & HEAVEN

**Luke 19:11-19 (The Parable of the Ten Minas)** While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.' "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to