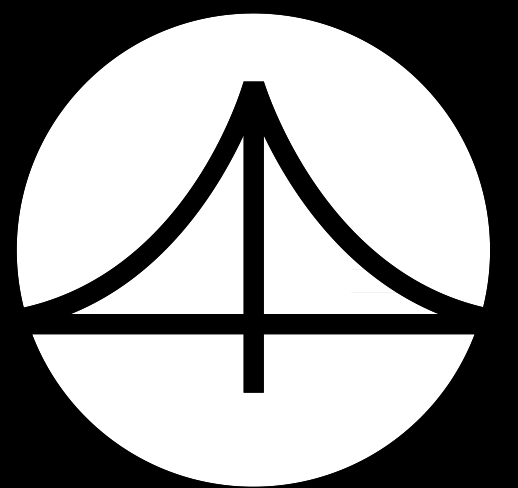


Through the Bible: Happily Ever After

Revelation 21:1-8; 22:1-7



**Revelation shows us God's
perspective on reality so we
can live for Him today.**

**Understanding God's future
equips us to conquer today.**

- The Promise**
- The Stakes**
- The Urgency**

The Promise

- No matter what happens in the world, God is on the throne
- 21:5 - “I am making all things new”
 - Means everything that happens in our world today matters
 - “All things” includes you
- God shows us this so we can live as conquerors

Rev. 21:1-8; 22:1-7

The Stakes

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“The faithless, the unclean, murderers, fornicators, sorcerers and idolaters are all basically people who dislike, or even hate, God’s world, and decide that they will... act to make the world the way they would want it instead. In the new creation, there is no room for anti-creation. In the world of life, there is no room for death.

–NT Wright

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- Without hell existing, we know and experience far less of God's love

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The Urgency

- 22:7 - “I am coming soon”
- Calls us to live with endurance and courage each day

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