

## THE REALITY OF HEAVEN

Reference: **Revelation 21 and 22**

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Our conceptions of heaven often range from the comical to the curious, from the mystical to the fictitious as media scriptwriters, novelists, musicians, and artists have depicted heaven as something other than what the Bible teaches. Throughout this message we're sharing seven biblical statements about heaven.

**Statement One:** There are \_\_\_ separate heavens mentioned in Scripture.

The term "heaven" in some form is mentioned \_\_\_\_\_ times in some \_\_\_\_\_ passages of Scripture. The Hebrew term translated as heaven is a plural noun form that means "the \_\_\_\_\_."

- the \_\_\_\_\_ heaven  
Reference: **Job 35:5; Psalms 147:8; James 5:18**
- \_\_\_\_\_ space  
Reference: **Genesis 1:14-17; Matthew 24:29**
- the \_\_\_\_\_ heaven  
Reference: **I Kings 8:27; II Chronicles 2:6; II Corinthians 12:2-4**

**Statement Two:** The primary residential area (i.e. New Jerusalem) for this third heaven has a unique \_\_\_\_\_ and gigantic

\_\_\_\_\_.  
Reference: **Revelation 21:15 and 16** (see screen)

There are two basic theories as to this city's exact shape:

- 1) a \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) a \_\_\_\_\_

Notice some unusual physical characteristics about heaven  
**Revelation 21:19, 14, 17, 18a, 12, 13, 25, 21a, 21b, 23; 22:1, 22:2a, 21:2** (see screen)

**Statement Three:** Some things that exist on earth are conspicuously \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven.

Reference: **Revelation 21:4** (see screen)

**Statement Four:** Heaven is where \_\_\_\_\_.

Reference: **Revelation 21:3** (see screen)

**Statement Five:** Heaven is full of \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ **Revelation 22:3**
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ **I Corinthians 13:9, 10**
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ **Revelation 15:3**
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ **Revelation 5:9**
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ **II Timothy 2:12; Revelation 22:5**
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ **Revelation 2:17**

**Statement Six:** Heaven is \_\_\_\_\_.

Reference: **Revelation 22:5b** (see screen)

**Statement Seven:** Heaven has a specific \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.  
Reference: **Revelation 21:27**, "*But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but **only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.***"

Compare to **Revelation 3:5** and **I John 5:4-5** (see screen)