"It is shocking how many weak and twisted concepts of heaven people have accepted. Most folks think of it as some far off ethereal place—and that is about all the average man knows about heaven. He believes it is "up there" somewhere. Yes, it is "up there," and we can agree with him that far ..." - Heaven Is It For Real?, page 8 by Joe Crews

- [A.] 1Co 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
 - 1Co 2:10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
- [B.] 2Pe 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.
- [C.] 2Ti 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
 - 2Ti 3:17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

QUESTION: IN THE BIBLE, HOW MANY HEAVENS ARE THERE?

There are 3 "Heavens".

- (1.) The place where the fowl fly above the earth, also known as the air or atmosphere.
 - (A.) Gen_1:20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.
 - (B.) Jer_9:10 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can pass through them; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.
- (2.) The place where the Sun, Moon and local "stars" (planets, reflecting the light of the Sun) exist, the local solar system.
 - Gen 1:14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:
 - Gen 1:15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.
 - Gen 1:16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also
 - Gen 1:17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,
- (3.) The place (world) where God the Father exists
 - (A.) 2Co 12:2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.
 - 2Co 12:4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.
 - (B.) Rev_2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

QUESTION: WHAT IS ANOTHER NAME FOR THE 3RD HEAVEN?

- [A.] Eze_28:13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God: every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.
- [B.] Luk_23:43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.
- [C.] 2Co 12:2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.
 - 2Co_12:4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.
- [D.] Rev_2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

QUESTION: IS THE 3RD HEAVEN ONLY CLOUDS AND WISPY AETHER, WITH FLITTING GHOSTIAL SHADES OF THE DEAD AS MANY IMAGINE?

- [A.] $Jer_17:12$ <u>A glorious high throne</u> from the beginning is <u>the place of our sanctuary</u>.
- [B.] Isa 6:1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.
 - Isa 6:2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
 - Isa 6:3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.
 - Isa 6:4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.
 - Isa 6:5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.
 - Isa 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:
 - Isa 6:7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.
- [C.] Rev_11:19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.
- [D.] Rev 15:5 And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:
- [E.] Heb 8:1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;
 - Heb 8:2 A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

- [F.] Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God.
 - Rev 21:11 Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;
 - Rev 21:12 And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:
 - Rev 21:13 On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.
 - Rev 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.
 - Rev 21:15 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.
 - Rev 21:16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.
 - Rev 21:17 And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.
 - Rev 21:18 And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.
 - Rev 21:19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;
 - Rev 21:20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.
 - Rev 21:21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.
 - Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.
 - Rev 21:23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.
 - Rev 21:24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.
 - Rev 21:25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.
 - Rev 21:26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.
 - Rev 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.
- QUESTION: WHEN WILL THE SAINTS ENTER INTO THE 3RD HEAVEN, HOW LONG WILL THEY BE THERE, AND WHAT WILL THEY DO THERE?
 - [A.] Act 3:20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:
 - Act 3:21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.
 - [B.] Act 1:11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.
 - [C.] Jer 31:15 Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not.
 - Jer 31:16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.
 - Jer 31:17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.
 - [D.] 1Th 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.
 - 1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. ("bring", back to 3"d Heaven)
 - 1Th 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. ("prevent" (G5348, φθασωμεν), is a verb transitive [Latin proevenio, supra.] 1. To go before; to precede. "I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried. Psalms 119:148."; 2. To precede, as something unexpected or unsought. "The days of my affliction prevented me. Job 30:27."; 2 Samuel 22:6. 3. To go before; to precede; to favor by anticipation or by hindering distress or evil. "The God of my mercy shall prevent me. Psalms 59:10." (Webster's 1828 dictionary https://webstersdictionary1828.com/Dictionary/prevent)
 - 1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.
 - 1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with
 - 1Th 4:18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.
 - [E.] Joh 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
 - Joh 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.
 - [F.] Job 14:10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?
 - Job 14:11 As the waters <u>fail</u> from the sea, and the flood <u>decayeth and drieth up</u>:
 - Job 14:12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep. (see "heaven": Matthew 24:35; Mark 13:31; Luke 21:33; 2 Peter 3:10; Isaiah 34:4; Revelation 6:14.)

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- Job 14:13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me! (see "wrath" = 7 last plagues; Revelation 15:1, 16:1,19)
- Job 14:14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come. (see 1 Corinthians 15:50-58; Luke 14:14)
- Job 14:15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands. (see "call": 1 Thessalonians 4:16; Psalms 50:4; Isaiah 25:8-9)
- [G.] Dan 7:22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.
- [H.] Rev 20:4 And <u>I saw thrones, and they sat upon them</u>, and <u>judgment was given unto them</u>: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and <u>they lived</u> <u>and reigned with Christ a thousand years</u>.
- [I.] 1Co 6:2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
 - 1Co 6:3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?
- [J.] Psa 149:1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.
 - Psa 149:2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
 - Psa 149:3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.
 - Psa 149:4 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.
 - Psa 149:5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.
 - Psa 149:6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; (sword = God's word, Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12, by which to judge)
 - Psa 149:7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;
 - Psa 149:8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;
 - Psa 149:9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.
- [K.] Rev_14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:
- [L.] Rev_15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

QUESTION: WHAT WILL THE SAINTS BE LIKE IN GLORY?

- [A.] Php_3:21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.
- [B.] 1Co 15:49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.
 - 1Co 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.
 - 1Co 15:51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
 - 1Co 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
 - 1Co 15:53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
 - 1Co 15:54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.
 - 1Co 15:55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?
- [C.] Luk 9:29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistering.
 - Luk 9:30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:
 - Luk 9:31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.
- [D.] Luk 24:39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.
 - Luk 24:40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet.
- [E.] Mat 27:52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
 - Mat 27:53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.
- [F.] 1Co 13:12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.
- [G.] Rev 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands:
 - Rev 7:10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.
 - Rev 7:11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,
 - Rev 7:12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

- [H.] 1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. (see Psa. 104:2, for God is clothed with "light", as Adam was in the beginning, and we shall be again.)
- [I.] 1Pe 1:4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,
- [J.] 2Ti_4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
- [K.] Jas_1:12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.
- [L.] Rev_2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and <u>I will give thee a crown of life</u>. (see also Rev. 3:11)

QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY PERSONS OF MANKIND IN HEAVEN RIGHT NOW?

Yes, but they were either "translated" alive (not dead, see study on what happens in death) and glorified, or resurrected (made alive) and glorified and taken up or ascended.

- [1.] Enoch (translated alive & glorified; Genesis 5:24; Hebrews 11:5),
- [2.] Moses (resurrected & glorified; Numbers 20:8-12, 27:13, 31:2; Deuteronomy 4:21-22, 31:2,14,16, 32:51-52, 34:1-8; 1 Samuel 2:6; Matthew 22:32; John 11:25-26; Matthew 17:1-12; Mark 9:1-13; Luke 9:27-36; 2 Peter 1:16; Romans 5:14; Jude 1:9),
- [3.] Elijah (translated & glorified; 2 Kings 2:1-12),
- [4.] 'firstfruits' around Jerusalem (resurrected & glorified; Matthew 27:50-53, 28:1-4; Isaiah 26:19; (for Jesus, see also Psalms 40:6; Hebrews 10:5; Galatians 4:4); Psalms 68:8,17-21 (vs 21., see Genesis 3:15); compare Psalms 68:18 to Ephesians 4:8-10; Compare Leviticus 23:9-14; 15-22 (Firstfruits) to 1 Corinthians 15:21-23. See also Psalms 24:1-10 (Triumphal Entry into New Jerusalem), with Psalms 98:1-3; Colossians 2:15. See also Acts 1.), and
- [5] Jesus Himself (resurrected, glorified & ascended; Matthew 28:6; Mark 16:6; Luke 24:6; Revelation 12:5, &c).
- That's it, for now, until Jesus returns and resurrects the sleeping saints, and translates alive the living (1 Thes. 4:13-18; Jhn. 14:2-3).
 - Isa 26:19 Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.
- QUESTION: IS THE APOSTLE PETER GOING TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE GATES OF THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM?
 - Rev 21:12 And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: (see also Psa. 24:7,9)
- QUESTION: WHAT IS THE NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH GOING TO BE LIKE?
 - [A.] Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.
 - [B.] Psa 16:11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.
 - [C.] Rev 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
 - [D.] Isa 33:24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.
 - [E.] Is a 65:16 That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.
 - Isa 65:17 For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.
 - Isa 65:18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.
 - Isa 65:19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.
 - Isa 65:20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed.
 - Isa 65:21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.
 - Is a 65:22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
 - Isa 65:23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they are the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.
 - Isa 65:24 And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.
 - Isa 65:25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.
 - [F.] Isa 66:22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.
 - Isa 66:23 And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.
 - [G.] Rev 7:15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.
 - Rev 7:16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.
 - Rev 7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.
 - [H.] Isa 35:5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

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- Isa 35:6 Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.
- Isa 35:7 And the parched ground shall become <u>a pool</u>, and the thirsty land <u>springs of water</u>: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, <u>shall be grass with</u> reeds and rushes.
- Isa 35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.
- Isa 35:9 No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there:
- Isa 35:10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.
- [I.] Isa 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.
- [J.] Isa 11:6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.
 - Isa 11:7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
 - Isa 11:8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.
 - Isa 11:9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.
 - Isa 11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.
- [K.] Isa 35:1 The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.
 - Isa 35:2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.
- [L.] Isa 60:18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.
 - Isa 60:19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.
 - Isa 60:20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.
 - Is a 60:21 Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.
- [M.] Zec 8:5 And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.
- [N.] Mal 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.
- [O.] Rev 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb
- [P.] Eze 47:12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine. (see Rev. 22:2; "the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."; God's word is on pages, or "leaves", Jer. 36:23)
- [Q.] Mat 8:11 And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.
- [R.] Zep 3:17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.
- [S.] Psa 37:3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
 - Psa 37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.
- [T.] Rev 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.
 - Rev 22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
 - Rev 22:3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:
 - Rev 22:4 And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.
 - Rev 22:5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for
- [U.] Is a 33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among <u>us shall dwell with the devouring fire</u>? who among <u>us shall dwell with everlasting burnings</u>?
 - Isa 33:15 He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;
 - Isa 33:16 He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.
 - Isa 33:17 Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.
 - Isa 33:20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.
 - Isa 33:21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

Isa 33:24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.

- [V.] Eze 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.
 - Eze 47:2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side.
 - Eze 47:3 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles.
 - Eze 47:4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins.
 - Eze 47:5 Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

QUESTION: WHAT WILL NOT BE IN THE NEW HEAVEN & EARTH?

- [A.] Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.
- [B.] Rev 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life. (see also Rev. 22:15, for wicked outside the city, which will be destroyed in the fire, Rev. 20:7-10,13-15.)
- [C.] Eze_20:38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.
- [D.] Isa 33:21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby. (There will be no salty desert of 'ocean' (Isa. 33:21; left over from Noah's day), or desert of sands, or desert of ice, or of bogs or swamps, or overgrown and unkempt jungles, or jagged pits, or broken spires of mountains, but there will be great springs & rivers of waters all over with gentle hills and green grass (Isaiah 33:14-24; Ezekiel 47:1-6)).
- [E.] Rev 22:3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:
- [F.] Isa 33:19 Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive; of a stammering tongue, that thou canst not understand.
- [G.] Isa_33:24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.
- [H.] Rev_21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
- [I.] Eze_26:21 I will make thee a terror, and thou shalt be no more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.
 - Eze_27:36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt be any more. (wicked cities, like Tyrus, Babylon, &c)
- [K.] Eze_28:19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more. (no more satan, devils)

QUESTION: WHY WERE LUCIFER AND THE ANGELS THAT WERE WITH HIM REMOVED FROM HEAVEN?

- (A.) 2Pe_2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;
- (B.) Jud_1:6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.
- (C.) Luk_10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.
- (D.) Is a 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!
 - Is a 14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:
 - Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.
 - Isa 14:15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.
- (E.) Eze 28:12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beautv.
 - Eze 28:13 <u>Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God</u>; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in <u>thee in the day that thou wast created</u>.
 - Eze 28:14 Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.
 - Eze 28:15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.
 - Eze 28:16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.
 - Eze 28:17 <u>Thine heart</u> was lifted up because of thy beauty, <u>thou hast corrupted thy wisdom</u> by reason of thy brightness: I will <u>cast thee to the ground</u>, I will lay <u>thee</u> before kings, that they may behold <u>thee</u>.
 - Eze 28:18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.
 - Eze 28:19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

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- (F.) Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,
 - Rev 12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
 - Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceive the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
 - Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.
 - Rev 12:12 Therefore rejoice, ye <u>heavens</u>, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! For <u>the devil is come down</u> unto you, having great wrath, because <u>he knoweth that he hath but a short time</u>.
 - Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.
 - Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.
- QUESTION: HOW CAN I ENTER HEAVEN (3RD), AND ENJOY EVERLASTING LIFE IN THE NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH THAT GOD IS GOING TO CREATE AFTER?
 - [A.] Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; (I AM A SINNER!, I HAVE HURT GOD BY MY UNLOVING THOUGHTS, ACTIONS & CHOICES! I HAVE BROKEN HIS LAW OF TEN COMMANDMENTS (Exo. 20:1-17; 1 Jhn. 3:4; Jam. 2:9-11))
 - [B.] Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (I DESERVE TO DIE, FOR TREASON AGAINST THE GOD OF LOVE!)
 - [C.] Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (GOD LOVES ME STILL AND WANTS ME BACK!)
 - Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
 - [D.] Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
 - Rom 10:10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
 - Rom 10:11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.
 - Rom 10:12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.
 - Rom 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (LORD JESUS SAVE ME FROM MY SINS & SATAN, SIN & SELFISHNESS!)
 - [E.] Rom 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: (I AM FREE OF GUILT FOR PAST SINS! I MUST LIVE RIGHTLY BY GOD'S GRACE THROUGH FAITH!)
 - Rom_3:25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;
 - Eph 2:8 For **by grace are ye saved through faith**; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
 - Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.
 - Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus <u>unto</u> good works, which God hath before ordained that <u>we should walk in them.</u>
 - [F.] Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
 - Act_5:32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.
 - Heb_5:9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;
 - [G.] Rom 8:38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
 - Rom 8:39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
 - [H.] Rev 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.
 - [I.] Rev 3:18 <u>I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire</u>, that thou mayest be rich; <u>and white raiment</u>, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; <u>and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve</u>, that thou mayest see. (Ellen (shining light to see) Gould (Gold) White (White purity righteousness))
 - Rev 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
 - Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
 - Rev 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.
 - Rev 3:22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.
 - [J.] Mat 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
 - Mat 7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
 - Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: <u>depart from</u> me, ye that <u>work iniquity</u>.
 - [K.] Rev 22:14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
 - [L.] Mat_19:17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.
 - [M.] Joh 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:
 - [N.] 1In 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

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- [O.] Rev 14:4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.
- [P.] 1Jn_2:6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.
- [Q.] 1Pe_2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:
- [R.] Rev_14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. (Not merely "in" Jesus.)

ADDENDUM:

OUESTION: IS SATAN STILL TRYING TO GET BACK INTO HEAVEN? ARE WICKED MEN TRYING TO CLIMB UP SOME OTHER WAY THAN THE WAY - IESUS CHRIST? WILL IT WORK?

In science falsely so called (1 Tim. 6:20), another 'tower' exists, in which rebellious mankind seeks another way into Heaven, heeding satan with his desire to spread sin into all the universe. God will not allow it. Mankind cannot leave this world's boundary, nor take anything out of its boundary (1 Tim. 6:7; Job 1:21; Ecc. 5:15), for it is under strict quarantine, & the only ones allowed in or out, are the heavenly nurses (ministering angels), and Great Physician (Jesus), & representative (Holy Spirit).

Mankind was never given permission to control, nor have dominion over, anything in the heavens (Gen. 1:26,28), as they belong to God.

Psa. 115:16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD'S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

The devil was called "god of this world" (2 Cor. 4:4), earth (as Adam was before in stewardship to God, Psa. 82:1,6; Jhn. 10:34) & so is not a "god" over any other heavenly body, including Sun, moon or stars (local planets reflecting light of the Sun), or anything beyond.

Even when satan, for a time before Calvary (Rev. 12:10; Rom. 5:6), having usurped (Isa. 14:13; Psa. 94:20; Rev. 2:13) Adam's rule, had access to the gates (Psa. 24:7,9; Rev. 21:12-15,21,25, 22:14) of Heaven, being representative of this world (Job 1:6-12, 2:1-7; 1 Kin. 22:19-22; 2 Chr. 18:18-21), he never had control over other heavenly bodies, though with access to high altitude (LEO (Low Earth Orbit), or UEA (Upper Earth Atmosphere); Eph. 6:12; & especially high level in govt.), being the "prince of the power of the air" (Eph. 2:2), cannot leave this world. Sin is contained to earth (see Lev. 13, 7 days from camp, Rev. 3:12, 21:2; Gal. 4:26). Other heavenly worlds & the beings thereon, are unfallen (Mat. 18:11-14; Luk. 15:4-7; Heb. 1:2, 11:3, see also 4 (universal) living creatures/beasts (nations), & 24 elders (leaders of unfallen worlds), circling throne of Eternal Deity in Eze. 1 & 10; Rev. 4, 7, 14, 15, 19).

Only 1 way into Heaven, from this terrestrial sphere (Isa. 40:22, 'circle' in 3 dimensions - a sphere, which is a circle seen from every angle by God) now, is by vision (Rev. 1:10), or by Jesus' return (Jhn. 14:1-4).

Any space program (which has some truth, some error) is simply another 'tower', another ladder other than the Jacob's Ladder - Jesus. They cannot ever succeed. N.A.S.A. - Not Always Scientifically Accurate; N.A.S.A. - Never A Straight Answer; N.A.S.A. - Numerous Anomalies Scams Abound; N.A.S.A. - National Academy of Space Actors; N.A.S.A. - Not Anything, Simply Aether; N.A.S.A. - Neither Aerospace, Sadly, Astro-NOTS!; N.A.S.A. - Never Accept Serpent Assertions. (see [1] Massimo Mazzucco - American Moon (photography expert), [2] Bill Kaysing (ex Rocket-Dyne engineer), [3] James Collier (Was it only a paper moon? (journalist); [4] Bart Sibrel (A funny thing happened on the way to the moon & Astronauts Gone Wild); [5] Ralph Rene (NASA Mooned America); [6] Marcus Allen (Aulis & Nexus magazine); [7] David Percy (What happened on the Moon); [8] Mary Bennett; [9] Jim (James) Fetzer; [10] Jarrah White (Moon Faker, Mars Faker); [11] Richard Hall & fellows; (richplanet.net); [12] NASA itself (Van Allen Radiation Belts, Destruction of Technology, Loss of Telemetry Data).

Believe God's word over our eyes & ears (2 Pet. 1:15-21), in what satan sought to present to us through the medium of tele-vision (Mst. 4:8-10; Luk. 4:5-8). Through satan's deceptions, the whole world that does not have the love of the truth (2 Thes. 2:10), are deceived (Rev. 12:9, 13:14, 18:23, 19:20, 20:10; 2 Tim. 3:13, &c.), just as it was in the beginning, for Eve truly believed she had entered a higher 'sphere' (world) of experience, when all the while, it was a delusion.

The only way in which a man may be truly "lifted up" (Jhn. 3:14, 8:28, 12:32) to Heaven, is not by force of might and strength of arm, willpower and satanic ingenuity, but it is only through Calvary, and dying upon the Cross appointed by God. It is never achieved by exalting (propelling) one's self upward that one gains Heaven and surpassing of earth's furthest boundaries, but it is by lowering one self, and humbling one's self to the dust, and dying unto the death of the Cross that we are then taken by God and exalted to Heaven. Jesus gave the example (Php. 2:5-11).

FINALLY, A POEM:

"... With these hopes and prospects before us, we say to the Christian world who hold to immateriality, that they are welcome to their God - their life - their heaven, and their all. They claim nothing but that which we throw away; and we claim nothing but that which they throw away. Therefore, there is no ground for quarrel or contention between us. {1861 JW, PERGO 7.6}: We choose all substance - what remains; The mystical sectarian gains; All that each claims, each shall possess, Nor grudge each other's happiness. An immaterial God they choose, For such a God we have no use; An immaterial heaven and hell, In such a heaven we cannot dwell. We claim the earth, the air, and sky, And all the starry worlds on high; Gold, silver, ore, and precious stones, And bodies made of flesh and bones. Such is our hope, our heaven, our all, When once redeemed from Adam's fall; All things are ours, and we shall be, The Lord's to all eternity. {1861 JW, PERGO 8.1} ..." - Personality of God, by James Springer White, 1861, pages 1.1 - 8.1 - https://text.egwwritings.org/read/1471.38