



Redeemed Home Jimmy Evans

Focus We are intended to live with God forever in the home He created for us.

Fun As a kid, summer is filled with fun adventures. What was your favorite summer activity?

Review Key Scriptures: Luke 21:21–28; Genesis 3:22–24; John 14:1–4

Three Important Facts About the Father's House

1. It is a real physical place, and it is the ultimate paradise.

Heaven is not a cloud. It's a real place, and when Jesus returns, we get to go home with Him there.

2. It is where we marry Jesus.

When the rapture occurs, the world will go into seven years of tribulation, and we will go to a seven-year wedding feast with Jesus in the Father's house! Jesus is preparing a place for us right now for us to spend eternity with Him.

3. It is home!

Jesus will return one day, and He will take home those who have made Him Lord of their lives. If you have not made this choice, it is time to believe in Jesus and follow Him. The world is not our home. We are just passing through. Heaven is our home!

Group Dynamics Idea Consider doing a s'mores night! Each person can bring their favorite filling for s'mores, like miniature candy bars or Peeps.

Discuss

1. Read John 14:1–4. According to this passage, what is Jesus doing now? What is the promise?
2. In Revelation 21:16, we learn the length, width, and height of New Jerusalem is about 1380 miles. That is approximately the distance from the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex to New York City. Continue reading in Revelation 21:9–22:2 and list the details you learn about this fantastic city.
3. How does a Jewish wedding parallel Jesus' role as the groom and the Church as the bride?
4. Pastor Jimmy contrasts the teaching of evolution that robs mankind of our eternal identity with divine creation. Discuss ways we are complex in our creation. How does evolution address these complexities?
5. Creationism teaches us we were created by a divine being for a divine purpose. Evolution teaches us we are no different from animals. How does each of these teachings affect the way we act and think?
6. We must be prepared for Jesus' return at any moment. Read Luke 17:32–36. What will happen at the return of Jesus?

Take Home As we conclude, remember the following:

- Don't become too focused on earthly things. It is time to focus on God.
- Our home is in heaven.
- After Jesus comes, we will never feel unloved for all of eternity.
- God wants to tell us we're divine, so we'll act like it. Satan wants to tell us we're animals, so we'll act like animals.
- We must be prepared for Jesus' return at any moment.

Prayer

Lord, thank You for creating a way for me to return home with You. I look forward to the day Jesus returns and I get to spend all of eternity with You. For now, I choose to focus on You and Your desire for me. Thank You for creating me with

a divine purpose to serve You and lead others to follow You. In Jesus' name,
Amen.

New Leader Tip If you have a member who has been hospitalized or a family member in their home has been hospitalized, ask them if you can share this with the Care pastor at your campus. They may need meals when they return home. Find out their needs and set up a schedule for members of your group to provide a few meals a week. There are many websites that are helpful in setting up a meal-delivery schedule.