Wilderness/Promise #21 Pastor Rick Baker

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Out from the Wilderness of the Fear of Dying

***And into the Promise of Life Everlasting Pt 2***

Rev. 21:4

*“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 the things has passed away.”*

**The Eager Expectation of Creation** (Rom. 8:18-25)

*The Gospel to Creation—the glory to be revealed in us through the redemption of our bodies.*

**Christ, the First Fruits** (1 Cor. 15:20-28)

*The sequence of resurrection events culminating in the handing over of the kingdom to God the Father and the destruction of death.*

* Christ was raised bodily (20)
* *THEN,* when He comes, those who belong to Him (23)
* *THEN,* after He has reigned *UNTIL* He has put ALL His enemies under His foot, destroyed death and destroyed all dominion, authority, and power, *...* the end will come (24-28)

**The Next BIG Thing for Believers is JESUS**; Resurrection Hope Realized! (Jn. 11:21-27)

* *The Rapture of the Church* (1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thess. 4:13-18)
* *The Reunion of the Saints* (1 Thess. 4:17)
* *The Day of the LORD/ Tribulation* (Dan. 7:25; 8:25; 9:27; 11:36; 12; 1 Thess. 1:10; 5:2,9; 2 Thess. 2; Rev. 3:10; 6:16)
* *The Visible Return of Christ—the Rider on the White Horse* (Rev. 19:11-21)
* *The Reign of Christ on Earth for 1000 years* (Rev. 20:1-6)
* *The Great White Throne Judgment* (Rev. 20:11-15)
* *The Destruction and Passing Away of the Cosmos* (Is. 65: 17-19; 2 Pet. 3:7, 10, 13; Rev. 20:11; 21:1)

Literal/Symbolic Symbiosis

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**The Eternal Destination of the Redeemed**—*the New Heaven and New Earth* (Rev. 21,22)

*“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.”* (Rev. 21:3,4)

* Descending Holy City (21:2,9f)
* EDEN described (21:19-21; Ezk. 28:13-14)
* Kings and priests and nations (1:6; 21:24-27)
* Tree of Life...eating and drinking and fellowshipping (22:1-2)
* The former things will not be remembered or even come to mind...(Is. 65:17,18)
* SEE HIS FACE! (1 Jn 3:2; Ex. 33:20)

BEHOLD I AM COMING SOON!!

ARE YOU READY?