

in all things ON THE WAY HOME FROM THE GATHERING STUDY #6

GOALS:

1. Having studied the Story of All Things, this final study will take participants to the closing scenes of the Story in Revelation 21:1-7 and 22:1-5.
2. This study will help participants identify where seven biblical themes appear in Revelation 21:1-17 and 22:1-5.

As we head home from the Gathering, let's take an opportunity to go to the end of the Story of All Things.

CREATION: God creates and recreates in the Story of All Things. The God of the Bible is a creative God, who makes things out of nothing and who chooses to sustain his creation rather than discard it. When we talk about God creating, it's not just creation in the beginning, it's creation in all things. In Christ's death and resurrection, God makes us a new creation. Today, look forward to Christ's return to make all things new.

RECONCILIATION: God reconciles His people to himself and others in the Story of All Things. As a relational God, He makes peace between himself and his creatures by the blood of Jesus cross. Reconciled to God, God now calls His people to practice reconciliation in the church and the world.

REIGN: God reigns over the church and the world in the Story of All Things. Jesus is in charge of every corner of the universe whether the world seems orderly or chaotic. We know that God is a good ruler because of Jesus' work on the cross and His victory over death rising from the tomb. We trust that He will return on the final day and establish His kingdom for all eternity.

Read Revelation 21:1-7 and 22:1-5.

