

What Is The Difference Between
THE MILLENNIUM,
the New Heaven, and
THE NEW EARTH?

Introduction:

The Millennial Kingdom will involve a renovation of the present earth. But after the 1000 years are over, the present heavens and earth will be destroyed (2 Peter 3:7).

2 Peter 3:7 “But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.”

Then God will unveil His new heaven and earth (Rev. 21:1-2).

Revelation 21:1-2 “¹And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.² And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.”

First of all: The Millennial Kingdom will last a literal 1000 years (Revelation 20:4-6) here on the earth.

Second: It is the physical reign of Christ on earth for 1000 years.

Third: The difference between the earth during The Millennium and the New Heaven and New Earth is to think of the words “**Renovate**” and “**Recreate**”.

Fourth: Christians during The Millennium will be amazed at the improvement of the “**renovated**” earth under Christ’s rule once He returns to end the Tribulation and casts the Antichrist and False Prophet into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 19:20).

- At that point, part of the curse against the earth will be removed.
- The planet will enjoy a partial “**renovation**” and Satan will be bound for a thousand years.
- Only believers will enter The Millennium.
- Unbelievers will be removed.
- Those believers who survive the Tribulation will also enter The Millennium in their natural bodies.
- Those of us who were raptured will be in our supernatural bodies.
- Jesus will be ruling from Jerusalem while others will be ruling as well from David’s throne in Jerusalem:
 - The Twelve Apostles (Matthew 19:28)
 - The Martyred Believers during The Tribulation (Revelation 20:4)
 - The Believers who lived before the Rapture (2 Tim. 2:12)
 - We will rule over cities, other believers, and the angels! (1 Corinthians 6:2-3)
- At the end of The Millennium, Satan will be loosed for a short while to deceive the nations.
- There will be many who will follow Satan and suffer God’s judgment.

- This will be by those born in their natural bodies during The Millennium.
- After this, Satan will be cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20:10).
- Then God destroys the old heavens and the old earth to “**create**” a **new** one (2 Peter 3:10-11; Rev. 20:11).
- Why? Because the old has been corrupted by sin.
- Once God does this, He fulfills His promise in Isaiah 65:17.

Isaiah 65:17 “For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.”
- We will live in and on this new heaven and earth for all eternity.
- This will include the Old Testament saints and the New Testament saints and all Christians from the time of Jesus’ death and resurrection to date—will live for eternity.
- This new earth will be physical in nature (Revelation 21) where we will live in our resurrected bodies just like Jesus’.

Revelation 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.”

