

Revelation  
21: 1-8

# John's Vision of the Church

**o God has seen what the church will be**

# 1. Committed to Change

- o “Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away...” (Revelation 21:1)
- o “And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. (Revelation 21:3)

## 2. Committed to Christ

- o The Church is precious in God's sight
- o Humanism
- o Committed to serving Christ (other committed to Crucifying Him still)

### **3. Committed to Community**

- **“But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulphur. This is the second death.”” (Revelation 21:8)**
- **Under pressure to compromise their allegiance to Christ.**
- **The Roman Empire changed from persecuting Christ to following Christ.**

o **'Already but not yet'** (George E Ladd)