

A PREVIEW



Revelation 2 & 3 OF PROMISE

Big Idea:

The Lord's Supper gives us a preview of the promise of eternal life.

- Critically important, eternally glorious promises given to us in Christ are revealed and rehearsed every time we partake of the bread and the cup.

1.) _____ with Christ shall be perfected (Rev. 2:17, 3:5, 3:12).

- The white stone represents an official invitation from the Lord to that great and ultimate Feast at the Wedding Supper of the Lamb.
- The Lord's Supper is a rehearsal dinner for the Wedding Supper of the Lamb where our union with Christ will be perfected (Revelation 19:7-9).
- Christ's name and city written upon us is symbolic of the fact that our oneness with Christ will be finalized in His Kingdom to come (Rev. 14:1).
- Jesus promises the white linen of righteousness and names that are indelibly etched into the Lamb's Book of Life.

2.) We shall be supremely _____ in every way forevermore.

- Revelation 2:7, 3:1, 3:20; Genesis 2:9, 3:22
- One chief consequence of banishment from God's presence was the loss of access to eternal-life-giving nourishment from the Tree of Life.
- Even as the Tree of Life thoroughly satisfied the body and gave life that would not end, so also the immediate presence of God thoroughly satisfies every desire of the heart and the needs of the soul.
- In Revelation 22:1-3, we are informed that the curse of sin will be reversed and the Tree of Life will return.
- In the day of resurrection, redeemed sinners will again dwell steadfastly in the immediate presence of God, see His face, and know His glory.

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- The transition from the former Tree of Life to the final Tree of Life comes only by a third tree, which is the _____ (Acts 10:39-40, 1 Peter 2:24, Galatians 3:13).
- The uniquely nourishing and supremely satisfying fruit of each Tree of Life points to the body and blood of Christ.
- We are in these moments remembering our redemption in Christ and rehearsing our future with Him.

Conclusion

- The Lord's Supper reminds us that every promise and blessing of everlasting life is given entirely through and only through Jesus Christ.
- In the Lord's Supper, our one and only hope of Heaven is physically represented in our midst by the elements we hold in the palm of our hands.
- Through the Lord's Supper, we are summoned to _____ upon how Christ has saved us and _____ to what this salvation brings.

The Lord's Supper Observed