

## ROMANS—Part 88b

Romans 15:13; Revelation 21-22

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1. 15:13 If you are satisfied in the big picture of your future hope, you will be much more likely to share with others who live a world of shattered hopes.
2. 15:13 Biblical hope does what the world cannot do... it pushes out anxiety, bitterness, fear and actually produces joy, peace, endurance.
3. Who is the basis of my hope? Jesus  
What is the basis of my hope? Heaven

### Revelation 21-22

4. What happens when we die is knowable:
  - A believer in Jesus is instantly in the presence of God in the form of a conscious spirit until the resurrection, when we will receive glorified bodies.
  - A non-believer is immediately in a 'holding cell'/hades/Hell until the Day of Judgment.
5. The Bible refers to three Heavens (2 Corinthians 12:2):
  - First Heaven—frequently referred to in the Old Testament as the “sky” or the “firmament”
  - Second Heaven—outer space
  - Third Heaven—the dwelling place of God, and believers one day
6. It is in the Third Heaven that Jesus promised He is preparing a place for true Christians (John 14:2-3).
7. 21:1 God will create a New Earth (Isaiah 65:17; 2 Peter 3:10, 13).
8. 21:1 Heaven is an actual place, not a state of spiritual consciousness.
9. 21:2 The new Jerusalem is Heaven’s capital.
10. 21:3 The ultimate joy of Heaven is the Person of God...God’s presence will be with His people.

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## SONG TITLES

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