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“New Creation” February 17, 2019 – Mark Swayze

GATHER (*choose one Gather question to share as everyone settles in to the group time*)

- On a scale from 1 to 4, how has your week been?
- Where have you seen God this week?
- What is one joy you want to share with the group this week?

PLANT/GROW

1. Read Revelation 21-22 as a group. What verses stand out to you? Why do they?

- The Bible ends with the imagery of a beautiful new civilization (the “New Jerusalem”) coming down out of heaven, so that all things are made new. Read Revelation 21:2–5 and discuss the following questions:

Why does the chapter stress the fact that the city in the image is coming down?

Many biblical writers longed for the day when God would bring his justice to a fallen world. Do you often find yourself longing for God to come and set this world right? How so?

For those undergoing persecution, injustice, or illness, the hope of God’s new creation is often what gives courage to continue living, working, and loving in the midst of difficult times. Have you ever experienced this in your own life? Why do you think it is that some affluent and healthy Westerners may long for God’s new creation in less obvious ways than, say, Christians in other parts of the world?

• PRAYERS

- Share prayer requests around the group and then either the leader or a volunteer can pray for the group. You may want to jot down those requests so you can remember to follow up next week.