

Chapter 21 (1 - 4)

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth.
The first heaven and the first earth
had disappeared now,
and there was no longer any sea

I saw the holy city,
the new Jerusalem,
coming down from God out of heaven,
as beautiful as a bride
all dressed for her husband

I heard a voice call from the throne:
"You see this city?
Here God lives among people.
He will make his home among them.
They shall be his people.
He will be their God.
His name is God-with-them

He will wipe away all tears from their eyes.
There will be no more death,
no more sadness.
The world of the past has gone

Jesus, may the thought of heaven
give us courage here on earth