



FAITH 5 WITH FLAT JESUS!

The week of Sunday, August 6

SHARE – Share at least One High and One Low from the day or the week.

READ – Revelation 21:1-6 and 22:1-5

TALK – In these chapters we hear about John’s vision of a new heaven and a new earth. Just before these verses God destroys death itself, but God doesn’t stop there. After God destroys death, God starts making all of creation new again. This means that God’s salvation is not limited to individual souls. Often times as a

church we tend to focus on what it means for me as a person to be saved or to be made right with God. When John talks about a new heaven and a new earth, he is saying that God’s plan is bigger than just your life or your soul. God the creator doesn’t just have plans for you, God also has plans for the whole planet and the whole universe. These verses remind us that God does not give up on creation. Notice that John doesn’t say God “makes all *new things*” like God is hitting the reset button and starting everything from scratch. God makes *all things new*. Things that already exist are made like new again. There is your hope for the day. God can make things new again. If you exist, God can make you new again. God can and has conquered death. God can make a new heaven and a new earth, and God can make you new again too.

Questions:

Discussion Questions

What are some ways that you could use a fresh start?

How has God given you new life already?

PRAY – You can hold hands or fold your hands when you pray together...

Thank God for the Highs you shared with each other.

Ask God for whatever kind of help and support you need for the Lows you shared with each other.

If you want, you can pray the Lord’s Prayer together.

BLESS – Mark each other with the sign of the Cross on the forehead and say this, or some other blessing you may think of:

Remember that Jesus loves you and the Holy Spirit is within you!