



Never Beyond His Reach #6: The Ultimate Rescue

May 16 & 17, 2026

Revelation 21:1-7; John 14:1-6

Opener:

What's something old you've seen restored — a car, a house, a relationship? What made it better than new?

Go Deeper: *(Exploring the Bible)*

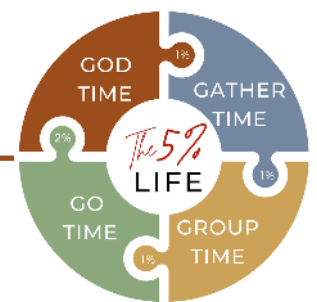
1. The word "new" in v.1 is *kainos* — restored in quality, not replaced. Read Romans 8:19–21. What does God's commitment to restoring rather than scrapping creation tell us about how He sees us?
 2. "Dwell" in v.3 is *skene* — tabernacle — the same word as John 1:14. Read Exodus 40:34–38. What has God been moving toward since the beginning?
 3. Verse 4 abolishes four specific things: death, mourning, crying, pain. Read Isaiah 25:6–8. Which of the four is most personal to you right now, and why?
 4. God commands: "Write this — these words are trustworthy and true" (v.5). Read 2 Corinthians 1:20. What does the covenantal language tell us about the weight of this promise?
 5. "It is done" in v.6 is perfect tense — already accomplished. Compare John 19:30. What does it mean that your story's ending is already written?
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Live It: *(Applying to Daily Life)*

1. What "former thing" are you carrying as though it's permanent? What changes if you believed it was former, not final?
2. God promises to wipe your specific tears — personally. What do you hold back from Him in prayer, and why?
3. The sermon addressed two people: the thirsty who haven't said yes, and believers who've forgotten they're held. Which is you today?
4. Do you treat God's promises as binding certainties or hopeful possibilities? What would living inside "It is done" look like this week?
5. Who in your life needs to hear that the way home is a Person, not a performance? What's one step toward that conversation?



GOD TIME:



Daily Bible Readings (May 17-23)

Sun:	Isaiah 65:17–25	New Creation Foretold
Mon:	Romans 8:18–25	Creation Groaning for Renewal
Tues:	1 Corinthians 15:51–57	Death Swallowed in Victory
Wed:	Isaiah 25:6–8	Every Tear Wiped Away
Thurs:	2 Corinthians 5:1–10	A House Not Made with Hands
Fri:	Psalms 16:9–11	You Will Not Abandon My Soul
Sat:	Hebrews 11:13–16	Seeking a Better Country