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Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, **believe also in Me**. In My Father's house there are many dwelling-places; if it were not so, I would have told you. **I Go to Prepare a Place for You**; and if **I go and prepare a Place for you**, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; **so that where I am, there you may be also**. And where I go you know, and the way you know. But Thomas said unto Him, 'Lord, we do not know not where You are-going; and how can we know the way?' Jesus said unto him, **'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life**; no man comes unto the Father, **but through Me**.'" (John 14:1-6)

I Go: from the Greek word *poreuomai* which means: I go, or I-am-going; "properly, to move from one destination to another; figuratively: to go away, or depart from some place, emphasizing the personal meaning which is attached to reaching the particular destination." In context: after His resurrection from the dead, Jesus is going (ascending) to to His former place in Heaven at the Right Hand of the Father in the Kingdom of God. There He will prepare and make all things ready for for the arrival of all believers.

Prepare: from the Greek word *hetoimasai* which means: to-prepare; to-make-ready; to make arrangements. To absolutely make all the necessary preparations for the arrival of the Bride of Christ – all believers – the spiritually reborn saints into Gods' Eternal Kingdom.

Place: from the Greek word *topon* which means: a-place; a region. Properly, any portion of space marked off, as it were, from surrounding areas; used of an inhabited place, such as a city, village, or region. In context: the larger dwelling 'place' in Heaven where everyones' permanent-dwelling-places are located: the celestial city, the New Jerusalem.

For you: from the Greek word *hymen* a personal pronoun second-person plural, which means: for-you, with the 'you' referring to all the true believing disciples of Christ Jesus.

Dwelling-places: from the Greek word *monai* a plural noun which means: homes; in the sense of permanent-dwelling-places; (i.e. not transitory). These permanent-dwelling-places already exist in the Fathers' House (*oikia* - i.e. the Fathers' larger Dwelling-place, or household).

Jesus said, "if I go and prepare a place for you, **I will come again**, and receive you unto Myself; so that **where I am, there you may be also**." Please consider the following:

"**When the Son of Man shall come in His glory**, and all the holy angels with Him, then He shall sit upon The throne of His Glory. And before **Him** shall be gathered all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats: And He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall **the King** say unto those on **His** right hand, Come, you **blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world**; for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you took Me in; naked, and you clothed Me. I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came unto Me." (see Matthew 25:31-41)

"But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world, unto our glory; which none of the rulers of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified **the Lord of Glory**. But as it is written, *'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him*.'" (quote from: Isaiah 64:4) But God has revealed them unto us by His Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, yes, even the deep things of God." (1 Corinthians 2:7-10)

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Some attributes of the Place prepared for us within the New Heavens and Earth are:

“And seeing the multitudes, He (Jesus) went up onto a mountain; and when He was seated, His disciples came unto Him; and He opened His mouth, and taught them, saying, 'Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are those who mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the Children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are you, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in Heaven; for so they also persecuted the prophets who were before you." (Matthew 5:1-12)

Within the “place” prepared for us, by Jesus, all things will be new in fulfillment of the prophetic Word. This includes: the New Heavens, the New Earth, and the New celestial City the New Jerusalem. Please consider the following:

“For, behold, **I create New heavens and a New earth;** and the former (things) shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be you glad and **rejoice forever** in that which I create; for, behold, **I create (new) Jerusalem** a rejoicing, and her people a joy. And **I will rejoice in Jerusalem,** and joy in My people: **and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.**” (God speaking through Isaiah 65:17-19)

“By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he would afterwards receive as an inheritance, **obeyed;** and he went out, not knowing where he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise. For he (Abraham) looked for a City which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. ... These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded by them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from where they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But **now they desire a better country, that is, a Heavenly One;** therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; **for He has prepared for them a City. (the New Jerusalem)**” (Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16)

“But you have come unto Mount Zion, and unto the **City of the living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem,** and to an innumerable company of angels, and to the general assembly and Church of the Firstborn (speaking of Jesus), which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the Mediator of the **New Covenant,** and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaks of better things than that of Abel.” (see Hebrews 12:18-24)

“All whom the Father gives to Me shall come to Me; and he who comes to Me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from Heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. And this is the Father's will who has sent Me, that of all whom He has given to Me I should lose nothing, but should raise them up again at the Last Day. For this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who beholds the Son, and believes on Him, **may have Everlasting Life: and I will raise him up at the Last Day.**” (John 6:37-40)

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More on the Place in Heaven prepared by Jesus for believers:

“But the **Day of the Lord** will come as a thief in the night; in the which **the heavens shall pass away** with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the **Day of God**, in which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless **we, according to His promise, look for New Heavens and a New earth, in which dwells Righteousness**. Therefore, beloved, seeing that you look for such things, be diligent that you may be found by Him in peace, without spot, and blameless.” (2 Peter 3:10-14)

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her Husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, **and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.** And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying, nor shall there be any more pain; for the former things have passed away. And He who sat upon the Throne said, **Behold, I make all things New.** And He said unto me, 'Write: for these words are true and faithful.' And He said unto me, 'It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him who is thirsty of the Fountain of the Water of Life freely. He who overcomes shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.'” (Revelation 21:1-7)

A great supper will also be prepared for the Bride of Christ:

“And a voice came out of the Throne, saying, 'Praise our God, all you His servants, and you who fear Him, both small and great.' And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, 'Alleluia, for the Lord God all-powerful reigns. Let us be glad and rejoice, **and give honor to Him;** for the **Marriage of the Lamb** has come, and His wife has made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white; for the fine linen is the Righteousness of saints.' And he said unto me, 'Write: **Blessed are those who are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.**' And he said unto me, 'These are the true sayings of God.'” (see Revelation 19:4-9)

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This 'Place' is located within Gods' Eternal Kingdom of Heaven!
The Kingdom of God encompasses the New Heavens and the New Earth!
Our permanent eternal dwelling-places are located within the House of the Father!
His House, His dwelling-place, is called the New Jerusalem – the City of God!

Thank you Lord Jesus for having prepared for us forever 'homes' within
Your Home, the Holy City of God!

All praise, and Glory, and Honor, be Yours forever and ever! Amen! and Amen!