08222021. I want to spend some time broadening our understanding of God's incomparably Great power toward us...gives you an incredibly unfair advantage in life and overcoming every circumstance you will ever face!!

In theory, if you could master the fifth and sixth dimension, we could compare and position all the possible universes that start with the same initial conditions as this one (i.e. the Big Bang)...our Parallel Worlds AND UNIVERSES...The study of other and similar Universes while also TRAVEL BACK IN TIME...TO THE BEGINNING OF ALL THose WORLDS/UNIVERSES and FOLLOW THE TIMELINE OUT TO THEIR FUTURES...with the possibly to change the past to alter the future... Only The LORD HAS THIS POWER, The one who has No Equal...

<u>Isaiah 44:24</u> This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer and Creator: "I am the LORD, who made all things. <u>I alone stretched out the heavens</u>. Who was with me when I made the earth?

And He alone controls the outcome of everything

• Isaiah 46: ⁹ Remember the things I have done in the past. For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me. ¹⁰ Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish. NLT

******Now here is where we come to the next dimension the supernatural ...

**In the seventh dimension, you have access to the possible worlds that start with different initial conditions. Whereas in the fifth and sixth, the initial conditions were the same and subsequent actions were different, here, everything is different from the very beginning of time. A dimension is simply a different facet of reality whether we percieve it or not this dimension is unlike ours in ways ...with a different beginning, and physical properties... yet similar in ways...

as Christians we are well acquainted with this dimension...404 times in the bible Heaven is mentioned and 238 of those in the New Testament.... and the vast majority refer to the abode of God, his angels and his saints..... in contrast 14 times Hell is mentioned... 5 times Hades is mentioned... the seventh dimension!

This dimension called heaven is so comprehensive we will need a few weeks to break down some of its components... so today I want to share some of it's physical properties....as given to us in Scripture....it is interesting that every description of this dimension has parallels to earth...and is described in earthly terms...

- Paul spoke of visiting there... NLT 2 Cor12:¹ This boasting will do no good, but I must go on. I will reluctantly tell about visions and revelations from the Lord. ² I was caught up to the third heaven fourteen years ago...
- Paul passed through six dimensions to get there... beyond the farthest stretches of the known universe we live in...the place of the third heaven an actual location.....
- TIM put this up....1st heaven earth to clouds ...second heaven clouds to stars of the edges of the universe...third heaven abode of God and angels..
- Paul speaks of this experience in the only letter he writes about it in...14 years after the experience...
- his eyes worked there just like here ...he saw visions his brain and mind worked also things were revealed to him ...to his mind...his understanding greatly increased
- **2 Cor12:** ² Whether I was in my body or out of my body, I don't know—only God knows. ³ Yes, only God knows whether I was in my body or outside my body. But I do know ⁴ that I was caught up to paradise and heard things so astounding that they cannot be expressed in words, things no human is allowed to tell.

- whether I was in my spirit body or natural body ..i could not tell...but I was intact
- it was the paradise part of heaven (paradise) which biblically speaking has the idea of a vast garden park..similar to what is described as Eden in Genesis whose root word also lends itself to a garden park...
- and my ears worked great! I heard astounding sounds...sounds I had never heard before...human words can't describe them adequately and humans were not allowed to tell those back on earth about it...

⁵ That experience is worth boasting about, but I'm not going to do it. I will boast only about my weaknesses. *I4 years he kept this experience out of his letters.*. ⁶ If I wanted to boast, I would be no fool in doing so, because I would be telling the truth. But I won't do it, because I don't want anyone to give me credit beyond what they can see in my life or hear in my message, ⁷ even though I have received such wonderful revelations from God....

- Even though he had incredible revelations from God in this Paradise of the third heaven...he did not want people to dismiss him as crazy if he shared them and dismiss his message...no he wanted his message and life to speak of Jesus...
- so to reinforce his message by his life...God kept him humble...

7...So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to torment me and keep me from becoming proud.

- because of this thorn ...he would have to continually rely on God's help...like everyone else...
- Jesus promised the thief on the cross, that he would take him to this same paradise

LK 23: 42 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." ⁴³ And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise." PARADISE...an enclosed garden...walled park..

John the Baptist spoke of Jesus coming from his home heaven to ours...:

NLT <u>John 3:</u> ³¹ "He has come from above and is greater than anyone else. We are of the earth, and we speak of earthly things, but he has come from heaven and is greater than anyone else. ³² He testifies about what he has seen and heard, but how few believe what he tells them!

Jesus speaks of this dimension to his skeptics:

NLT John 3:¹² But if you don't believe me when I tell you about earthly things, how can you possibly believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ever gone to heaven and returned. But the Son of $Man^{[e]}$ has come down from heaven.

***** when Jesus was ready to relocate back to where he came from...he told his disciples this...more heavenly physical realities

In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. I and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

- Jesus who has a Physical body like ours after he rises from the dead...
- is going to a place that can only be described as Physical...A Location where his Father has a house...
- and Jesus is going there and in that house he is preparing each of them a place to live...there is ongoing construction taking place... after all he was a carpenter .. There will be spectacular places for each of us He will come back to get them so they may be where he is and the others are...
- Where is His Father's house located? John while speaking of the new heaven and new earth...gives us the location where it was in heaven

REV 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them.

- In the end heaven and earth united...like a marriage...each different but in union, connected compatible in harmony...
- This heaven then is an intermediate home for us... and Jesus is continually adding to and making even better.
- and heaven is described in the earthly terms as a country...

NIV HEB 11:13 All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance. And they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth.

14 People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. 15 If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. 16 Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

HEB 11:39 These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. 40 God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

- they were commended for their faith...but life on earth lacked fulfillment for them and it is with us also....up to and including the present...Jesus continuing to add rooms...expand heaven
- So as future citizens of this Heaven, where we will live in our father's home, in a holy city, in the country of heaven...what are we to do in the meantime?

^{COL 3:1} Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

- What are the things Paul says to set our minds on?? That which is above...namely heaven and the abode of God and the throne of Jesus...
- why? because we spend so little time doing that? though we have been raised...that is our abode also...

*****Did you know Historically, it is those who have believed most strongly in Heaven who have made the greatest difference to Earth, beginning with Christ himself. who sits on the throne..

- ... if we believe that this life is the preparation for eternity, then everything makes an eternal difference.
- We have something to give the world now which in turn gains us treasures to be used in Heaven!

_MT 6: 19 "Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

• where you build treasure ...shows where you heart or the seat of your attachments are... and how do we do this...

^{COL 3: 23} Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, ²⁴ since you know that you will <u>receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward</u>. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

- What do we do to serve God...simply love him and love others...love is demonstrated by service....Jesus served us we serve others....the currency of heaven is service...
- And Jesus did not leave us on our own ...he built into us skills..
 The Apostle Paul says...

EPH 2: 10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

- <u>Listen God has prepared good works for us to do...we have to prepare ourselves to do them! That is a process...part of that process is in the actual doing ... by serving we add value to people...we let them know they are valuable...</u>
- Your satisfaction in life will come from your place in adding value to others by serving them...and In return we value our selves more ...we recognize we have something to offer...we become part of the solution to the problem of humanity...That is true success!!
- And Anybody can be more successful in this life...Because anybody can serve... so what to do?
- Serve with what you possess...we all have twenty four hours a day.. give some time to service...tithe to serviceadopt this mindset: and the following things will happen I'll help the world be a better place.
- I'll learn more as I help people....I get to expand my skill set as I grow in service....Think about what it is that I do well that I can share with others.
- As I practice serving or doing good deeds for others without expecting a return from them but trust the return from God. I will grow into the servant who pleases his Master for doing the job well

<u>Matthew 25:21</u> "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

go back enjoy food , see what we do in this church , and perhaps sign up to serve

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