

## The Consummation | Preparing, Celebrating, Discipling

### I. Preparing

- Familiarize yourself with the purpose and plan for The Consummation.
- Enjoy The Consummation Bible reading.
- Consider how you want to decorate your Celebration Wall. Maybe you want to include Scripture and symbols that draw your mind to our glorious future, or maybe you want to veil the Wall with a white shroud to symbolize the completion of this earthy existence and the beginning of something infinitely better.
- Ephesians 1:10; Revelation 21:1-7, 22:1-9, 12-21

### II. Celebrating

- **Bible reading, prayer, and discussion about the Godward focus of the day.**
- **Christ-honoring feasting is appropriate for all holidays.**
  - We obviously cannot excuse falling into the sins of gluttony, drunkenness, and poor stewardship of our bodies.
  - But appropriate feasting includes special foods prepared and presented in a special way to highlight the specialness of the day.
- **Purchasing a new outfit for each family member?**
  - The Consummation is about being glorified and entering into perfect worship. The imagery of putting off the old and putting on the new could be fun.
  - **Resting**
    - The Sabbath rest God created for us during Creation Week and then referenced all through the Old and New Testaments was a small picture of the eternal rest we'll have with God.
    - We should strive to avoid work. Care should be taken to truly enjoy rest to God's honor and glory.

### III. Discipling

- We hope you're excited to celebrate The Consummation, but we hope you're even more excited about participating in the future Consummation and introducing more and more people to God so they too can be there with us!
- And that is the whole focus of evangelism that leads to discipleship.
  - Our love for God and anticipation of eternity with Him needs to motivate our love for others and desire to introduce them to God.
  - If we're not involved in evangelism and discipleship, we don't really love God the way we claim.