

Hope in Futility

Romans 8:18-25

1. What is the futility in creation?

2. Where is the hope for creation?

3. Where is the hope for us?

1. In what areas of your life do you feel hopeless; circumstances where what you once were hoping for now feels unattainable?
2. Where do you see creation longing for release from bondage to corruption and futility? What do you think this means?
3. Read and reflect on Revelation 21:1—22:5. After reading, spend some time (5-10 minutes) imagining this new world and what it will be like. Write down some thoughts and come back together as a group. What speaks to you personally as something you are looking forward to about the New Heavens and New Earth?
4. How are the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and the coming of the New Heavens and New Earth connected?
5. How do you see the resurrection giving you hope for today in those circumstances that feel futile?