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Isaiah 60:20

Will there be sunsets and day/night cycles?

While God will be our light source, it doesn't say that there will be no more Sun and Moon. It only says that we won't need them for our light source.

Revelation 21:23, 22:5 and Isaiah 60:19-21

Darkness isn't evil; God created it before the fall. ***Genesis 1:5***

What about lakes, rivers and seas or oceans?

Revelation 21:1 says there won't be any seas. Maybe seas were the result of the flood. Somehow the “no more seas” of ***Revelation 21*** and the “wealth of the seas” in ***Isaiah 60*** will be compatible. Maybe the new Earth will have large bodies of fresh water where we'll dive without tanks, masks or fear of death. Maybe we'll be able to play with God's underwater creatures.

Will there be seasons and varying weather?

Ezekiel 34:26,27 says showers in season will help the ground to yield its crops. Is rain a bad thing? No, it's good. Will rain turn to snow at higher elevations? Why not? Just as resurrection people will still have eyes, ears, etc., so the new Earth will have snow, rain and wind. It's something that we won't have to be fearful about.

Will we miss anything from the old Earth?

While we will have the memory from the old Earth (even our memories will be redeemed), we won't miss anything. Gone will be sin, the curse, death and suffering.

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What will our lives be like?

Will we look like ourselves?

The three disciples recognized Moses and Elijah in ***Matthew 17:2,3***. We'll recognize Abraham, Isaac and Jacob at the great wedding feast in ***Matthew 8:11***.

What will our bodies be like?

The most beautiful person you've ever seen is still under the curse; a shadow of the beauty that once characterized humanity in Adam and Eve. My guess is that we will have a natural physical beauty that may even come from our spiritual self. Racial and gender (male/female) identities will continue. ***Revelation 5:9; 7:9***

Will we maintain our own identities?

In ***John 20:10-18, 24-29*** and ***21:15-22*** Jesus deals with Mary, Thomas and Peter in very personal ways, drawing on His previous knowledge of them. John said in ***John 21:4-7*** “It is the Lord” meaning it's the Jesus we had known.

Will our names be the same?

Probably. The names of the twelve tribes of Israel and the patriarchs (Abraham, Isaac, etc.) and the twelve Apostles are the same. ***Revelation 21:12-14***
God allowed Adam to name the animals. ***Genesis 2:19-20***
Our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. ***Revelation 20:15; 21:27***

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What will our lives be like? (continued)

Will we be angels?

No, this is a Mormon belief! We will rule over angels. **1st Corinthians 6:2,3**
Exactly how, we don't know. Angels were created by God. **Colossians 1:16**
They do His bidding and serve us on Earth. **Hebrews 1:14; Matthew 18:10**

Will we have emotions?

Our emotions are from God as we were created with them. But they have been marred by sin. **Revelation 21:4** doesn't say we won't have emotions/tears but that these emotions/tears won't be due to sorrow. We may have emotions/tears of joy.

Will we have desires?

Yes, but they won't be unholy or sinful desires. We won't have to battle them like we do now. Won't it be great to enjoy food without being gluttonous? We'll express affection and admiration and love without lust, fornication or betrayal. Those bad desires just won't exist.

Will we know everything?

Only God is omniscient (all-knowing). **1st Corinthians 13:12** says that we will 'know fully'. When applied to humans, it means that we will know to the fullest extent of our ability.

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Learning about what?

Anything and everything that God wants us to know. We'll definitely learn more about God. It was God, not Satan, that made us learners. Because of the doctrine of continuity, what we learn here, carries over into Heaven.

Will there be books in heaven?

Psalm 119:89 says that the 66 books of the Bible will be there.

Revelation 20:12 says that there will be some other books in Heaven.

Will we rest and/or sleep?

God rested. ***Genesis 2:2***

The Sabbath was patterned after God resting. ***Exodus 20:9-11***

Even the Earth was supposed to rest every 7 years. ***Leviticus 25:4,5***

Will we get tired?

Maybe yes, maybe no. Couldn't resources be depleted and renewed in a perfect but finite world? If we will sleep in Heaven, we won't have insomnia or bad dreams.