True and Faithful

A promise at the end that built faith from the beginning...

And God shall wipe away all the tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither **sorrow**, nor crying, neither shall there be any more **pain**: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things **new**. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful. Revelations 21: 4, 5

Let take a look at the beginning to define this promise made...

Take a look Genesis 3:16 – Beginning of Sorrows

16 Unto the women he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and desire shall be to they husband ... 17 cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shall thou eat of it all the day of thy life.

The Hebrew root word for sorrow is *atsab* (aw-tsab)...

Definition points to words like – to worry, pain, or anger, to grieve, be displeased, hurt, or sorry.

If we then take a look back at sorrow in the Greek language in reference to Revelations 21 we will find...

The Greek root word for sorrow is **pascho** (pas-kho)...

Definition points to words like – to mourning, suffer, or a sensation of impression (painful).

Another important word in this promise to understand is **pain**.

Revelations 21:4 pain is translated form the Greek word **ponos** (pon'-os)...

Defined as toil, anguish, and labor demands of greatest exertion.

The best story (in my opinion) in the Bible to give an example would be the story of Job.

Pain in Job that best represents this Greek comparison would be Job 33:19 which reads ...

He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong pain.

I have one last word I need defined to understand the promise I (we) have been given...

What context of the word *New* are we using???

In Revelations 21:5 the Greek word used is **kainos** (kahee-nos')

Defined as the following:

-As in Freshness -Unaccustomed or Unused

-As in Quality -Unworn

It's **NOT** talking about Time!

GOD will change the condition of HIS creation. No destruction is referenced in this word (New).

Obliviously he is talking to those who have chosen HIM (Jesus Christ) as their Lord and Savior...

So lets take a look back at what promise we are given in Revelations:

We will get to live a forever life like the Creator – GOD had intended for us in the first place !!!