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WHERE IS HE TAKING US?

In our last article, Jesus Christ The Atonement, we shared that according to Genesis 6:12-14, Noah's ark was used by God to protect eight people from the destruction and to transport them to a place where they began a new life. If you do not have a copy of the article you may get it at the newspaper office.

¹²God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. ¹³So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. ¹⁴So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out. (Genesis 6:12-14 – New International Version)

As we shared in a previous article, Jesus Christ The Ark, the spiritual bodies of those who have repented of their sins and have asked that the sacrifice of Jesus Christ pay their sin debt are now safe in Christ just as Noah and his family were safe in the ark.

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation." (2nd Corinthians 5:17-19 – NIV)

There will be a time in the future when God will gather up those people who are in Christ and transport them to a place where they will begin a new life. The key word here is the word "begin". The first place Jesus Christ transports us to will not be the place we will spend eternity. If it is, we need to tear out the last two chapters of the book of Revelation because in Revelation 21:1 we find that God is going to create a new earth where those in Christ will live with Him forever and ever.