- (7) **The Goal of Holiness : Dwelling with God** ... and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever. (Psalm 23:6)
- **A)** And this is eternal life, that they *know you* the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. (John 17:3)

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. (John 15:9)

I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and *loved them* even *as you loved me*. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to *see my glory* that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. (John 17:23-24)

Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will *see the Lord*. (Hebrews 12:14)

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they *shall see God*. (Matthew 5:8)

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.... Such is the generation of those who seek him, who *seek the face* of the God of Jacob. Selah (Psalm 24:3-4, 6) They will *see his face*, and his name will be on their foreheads. (Revelation 22:4)

B) Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the *holy city*, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a *bride* adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." (Revelation 21:1-4)

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the *Bride*, *the wife* of the Lamb." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the *holy city* Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. (Revelation 21:9-11)

Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the *marriage* of the Lamb has come, and *his Bride* has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. (Revelation 19:7-8)

... Christ *loved* the church and gave himself up for her, that he might *sanctify* her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might *present the church to himself* in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be *holy and without blemish*. (Ephesians 5:25-27)

Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and *my portion forever*. (Psalm 73:25-26)

C) In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will *take you to myself*, that *where I am you may be also*. (John 14:2-3)

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and *make our home with him*. (John 14:23)

For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will make *my dwelling* among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty." (2nd Corinthians 6:16-18)

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may *dwell* in the *house* of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his *temple*... You have said, "*Seek my face*." My heart says to you, "*Your face*, LORD, do I seek." (Psalm 27:4, 8)

D) I made known to them *your name*, and *I will continue* to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." (John 17:26)

....so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:7)