

**Advent Sunday 2011 Gonerby only FS**  
**Rev 21: 1-7 Restoration**

Last words of the Bible (apart fro the Grace) “*Come Lord Jesus*”

Q - who is looking forward to Xmas?  
(All those wonderful presents you will be giving to your family and friends....)

Advent Sunday - Start of Xmas prep - lights on in town  
Advent Sunday - Looking forward much further than Dec 25th

To check that you have been listening so far -  
.... What do we look forward to on Advent Sunday ---

“The end of the world” -a bit negative !  
“A new heavens and a new earth” Revelation 21: 1 OHP  
When Jesus Returns, he will....

Restoration OHP - making things new again.  
That’s what Jesus does.

Already started - 2 Corinthians 5:17 OHP “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!” - explain - becoming a Christian - a new life starts.

It has begun... But the completion is when J returns..  
Restoration

Completes what began in Genesis (1st book of bible) - SEE...

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| <b>Genesis</b>                        | <b>&amp;</b> | <b>Revelation</b>                      |
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| Heavens and earth created, <u>1:1</u> |              | New heavens and earth, <u>21:1</u>     |
| Sun created, <u>1:16</u>              |              | No need of the sun, <u>21:23</u>       |
| The night established, <u>1:5</u>     |              | No night there, <u>22:5</u>            |
| The curse announced, <u>3:14-17</u>   |              | No more curse, <u>22:3</u>             |
| Death enters history, <u>3:19</u>     |              | No more death, <u>21:4</u>             |
| Man driven from the tree, <u>3:24</u> |              | Man restored to paradise, <u>22:14</u> |
| Sorrow and pain begin, <u>3:17</u>    |              | No more tears or pain, <u>21:4</u>     |

That’s why we look forward in Advent