



One of the reasons people are drawn to stories of restoration is because we know the world is not the way it should be. We see broken relationships, painful circumstances, injustice, conflict, sickness, and disappointment. Deep down, we all long for something better. Isaiah 65 gives us a beautiful picture of God's promise to renew all things. He is not only concerned with saving souls but restoring creation, everyday life, and peace itself. As followers of Jesus, we live between God's promises and their final fulfillment. This week, take time to discuss where you see God's renewing work already taking place and where you are still longing for Him to make all things new.

1. Neal opened the sermon by sharing about his wanting a new iPhone. What is one "new thing" you've wanted recently: phone, car, hobby, house project, vacation, or something else? Why do you think people are so drawn to new things?
2. Read **Isaiah 65:17–19**. What stands out to you about God's promise to create "new heavens and a new earth"? How does this shape the way you think about heaven and eternity? (see: Revelation 22:1–5, and Romans 8:18–25)
3. The sermon emphasized that God is not abandoning creation but renewing it. How does that perspective differ from the way many Christians think about the future? (see: Colossians 1:19–20, Acts 3:21, and 2 Peter 3:13)
4. Read **Isaiah 65:20–24**. We learned four ways God renews everyday life: God renews human lifespan, God renews homes, God renews work, and God renews us to bless others. Which of those areas do you most need God to renew in your life right now?
5. The sermon discussed how many people struggle to find meaning in their work. How can followers of Jesus view work differently than the world around them?
6. Read **Isaiah 65:25**. The Bible's picture of peace (shalom) is much bigger than the absence of conflict. Where do you most need God's peace right now? (read: John 14:27, Philippians 4:6–9, and Isaiah 26:3)
7. The sermon ended by reminding us that we are ambassadors of God's renewing work. What is one practical way you can join God's work of renewal this week? (see: Matthew 5:13–16, Acts 9:31, and 2 Corinthians 5:17–20)
8. Close your time praying for the strength to seek the Lord this week.