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| Revelation 21: 1-5a, 6b-7Selection B24 | **A Reading from the Book of Revelation** **I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth.** **The former heaven and the former earth**  **had passed away, and the sea was no more.** **I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem,** **coming down out of heaven from God,**  **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.****I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,**  **“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race.****He will dwell with them and they will be his people and** **God himself will always be with them**  **as their God.** **He will wipe every tear from their eyes,**  **and there shall be no more death or mourning,**  **wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away.”** **The one who sat on the throne said,**  **“Behold, I make all things new.”** **I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.** **To the thirsty**  **I will give a gift from the spring of life-giving water.****The victor will inherit these gifts,**  **and I shall be his God, and he will be my son.****The Word of the Lord** |