

Good morning, Church. Daily Reading, John 9.

Last week I received this from a friend. "No matter how severe the storm, when you are with God, there is always a rainbow waiting at the end."

When I saw the word "rainbow," a recent conversation with my 4 year old granddaughter Ellie came to mind.

In the conversation we were having, it was not me "Papa" but I got to be a "rainbow unicorn" who was invited to a tea party and had cotton candy flavored juice and rainbow cupcakes.

Man, life does not get any better than that combination. What an imagination, especially as she waved her magic wand and turned herself into a "rainbow unicorn" so we could go on a walk at the beach.

"Imagination," the act or power of forming a mental image of something not present to the senses or never before wholly perceived in reality." (Webster)

As you might guess, Ellie has an active imagination. But aren't we blessed with the God-given ability to see the unseen.

We use our imagination to draw a new house design, put together a business model, and come up with a new recipe. People in all walks of life use their imagination to come up with new ideas that soon become a reality.

When we think about what heaven will be like, we use our imagination to see the unseen pearly gates or the streets of gold. Asked what heaven will be like, Billy Graham commented, "The most important fact about heaven is that it will be far more glorious than anything we can ever imagine."

John's vision of the New Jerusalem. Revelation 21:21 "The twelve gates were made of pearls—each gate from a single pearl! And the main street was pure gold, as clear as glass." (NLT)

To imagine heaven, and then one day to behold the glorious presence with God.