

A Far Green Country

Pippin (Quiet) I didn't think it would end this way...

- *Cancer.*
- *Aneurisms.*
- *Car Accidents.*
- *War.*

GANDALF looks at the SMALL HOBBIT a beat.

GANDALF (gently) End? No, the journey doesn't end here.

PIPPIN looks up at GANDALF, questioningly...

GANDALF (cont'd) Death is just another path, one that we all must take.

ANGLE ON: GANDALF looks down to see PIPPIN looking up at him with fear in his eyes...

GANDALF (cont'd) (remembering) The grey rain-curtain of this world rolls back, and all turns to silver glass... (to himself) and then you see it...

ANGLE ON: GANDALF breaks off, lost in reverie...

PIPPIN What, Gandalf? See what?

GANDALF White shores ... And beyond... a far green country under a swift sunrise.

- *Streets of Gold!*
- *Saints that have gone on before!*
- *The very throne of God!*
- *And our Savior, the Lamb of God!*

PIPPIN stares up at the OLD WIZARD'S FACE, softened, quiet and full of peace...

PIPPIN (quiet) Well, that isn't so bad.

GANDALF (gently) No... No, it isn't.

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