

## 1 **A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION**

### **LESSON 72**

## 2 **OPENING REMARKS**

- We will be studying in Revelation chapter 22 verses 4 and 5 tonight continuing where we left off
- For those who of you that have not been with us for most of this Bible study of the Book of Revelation of Jesus Christ, it is suggested that you get the recordings and study them for yourself
- You do not learn all that the Scriptures have for you by just listening to someone else
- This has been a very in-depth study of these prophecies which help us understand our lives today
- Where we are in the 22<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Revelation is into the future

## 3 **REVIEW**

- This time period is after the Battle of Armageddon and after the 1,000 years reign of Jesus Christ on the earth, and after the time that Satan is loosed for a very short while and then he is cast into the lake of fire for eternity
- It is at this time that the saints, the bride of Jesus Christ as the church is called, go up to that city, the New Jerusalem
- The past several lessons we looked closely at the description, both inside and out, of this Holy City
- We will see more of the inside of this great city as we finish these prophecies

## 4 **NO NIGHT THERE**

Revelation 22:4-5

4 and they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

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- This takes place after the 1,000 years of peace which is called the Millennium
- This New Jerusalem comes down and hangs over the redeemed earth but never touches it
- We learned that the huge great size of it is a cube of 1400-1500 miles per side

## 5 **FACE-TO-FACE WITH JESUS**

- We also learned about those who could enter into this city and those who could not
- Verse 4 tells us something that is peculiar only to the bride or the saints of the living God who become the inhabitants and rulers of this new city
- Verse 4 tells us that those shall see His face, Jesus' face, and that His name shall be in their forehead
- This being face-to-face is also mentioned in previous Scriptures we have studied (1 Corinthians 13:12)
- What a rare privilege this will be but the full meaning cannot be comprehended until that day
- This is the natural sequence of Revelation 21:2

## 6 **THE BRIDE AND THE GROOM**

Revelation 21:2

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 22:4

4 and they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

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- We can easily see here the relationship between Jesus Christ and the redeemed will be as intimate as that of a bride and groom; they will have His name

## 7 **WE WILL BE THERE ALSO...**

- When John saw this holy city the New Jerusalem coming down from

God out of heaven, we know it is the same city and the same mansions that Jesus spoke of when He said:

John 14:2-3

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

- This is Jesus' promise that all of God's people have and it's a promise that's going to be fulfilled

## 8 HIS NAME IN THEIR FOREHEADS

- In verse 2 of chapter 21 we are seeing the beginning of the picture taking place
- This new city is going to be adorned as a place for the bride of Jesus Christ
- This is a spiritual understanding of the natural
- No created being can ever aspire to a greater place, or a greater position, or a greater power, or a more wonderful experience than when we shall see Jesus Christ face-to-face
- We see His name shall be in their foreheads which would not be a distinction if the redeemed were never to leave the Holy City
- The gates are never shut and there is no night there

## 9 A MARK OF DISTINCTION

- The gates of the Holy City are never shut so the bride may go in and out
- Wherever the redeemed go out in the universe this signet will be a mark of distinction belonging only to those who are the bride of Christ
- There will be no ending to eternity
- This mark of distinction belongs only to those who have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ; those who have lived victoriously in Satan's realm
- These are people who are called by His name; in natural marriages

- the bride takes the name of the groom
- This is a people called by His name and full of His Spirit

#### 10 **THOSE WHO WILL SEE HIS FACE**

- As we studied earlier, the saints actually silenced the music of the angels with their songs of redemption
- Redeemed – being made new or taken back to its original state
- The redeemed are to be brought back to Jesus Christ; they have taken His blood, in baptism His name has been called over them, they have received the fullness of the infilling of the Holy Ghost, and they have lived that victorious life
- When they go to meet God they have lived victoriously
- It is these who are the citizens of the glorious Holy City who will see His face

#### 11 **WHO WILL BE RAPTURED?**

Revelation 22:4

4 and they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

- This is the redeemed: the bride, those that have been Raptured up to be with Jesus Christ
- Who are the ones to be Raptured?
- Those full of the Holy Spirit, called by His Name, and they that have endured until the end (Matthew 24:13)
- What end is this talking about? Whose ending is this?
- At the Rapture when Jesus Christ steps out of the clouds and the trumpet sounds it will be for those that are living and remain and those who have died in Christ

#### 12 **THROUGH THE PROPHECIES**

- There are some Scriptures we need to look into that are important, right now, as we are closing this long Bible study
- We have gone into every part of the Book of Revelation and from the Old Testament to the New Testament and back and forth through the prophecies
- We have seen the Scripture bearing witness with Scripture

- It is not just by chance that we are studying this portion about our eternal home and the glory that's there

### 13 **LIVING IN THE LAST DAYS**

- Every time we come to a specific place in these prophecies, we have seen that we are living in the place where God has brought it out, the time that is so meaningful
- It is so amazing what the Word of God is doing in our midst
- It is the people called by His name and full of His Spirit that He has shown these Scriptures to so clearly
- These are those who have lived victoriously in their life and have gone on to meet God that will be raised up in that last day
- It is a people that are called by His name and full of His Spirit

### 14 **BY THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST**

Acts 4:7-10

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

9 if we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

### 15 **THE POWER IN HIS NAME**

Acts 4:11-12

11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

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- There is no other name, neither does titles save these

- It takes the Name of Jesus Christ: what's the name of the Messiah - Jesus Christ, what's the name of the Savior – Jesus Christ, what is the Name of the one who came and died for us – Jesus Christ

#### 16 **SALVATION THROUGH HIS NAME**

- We know that it takes this name, "...neither is their salvation in any other name." (Acts 4:12)
- Most Christians do a lot of things in the name of Jesus Christ; they pray over their food and ask for the blessing in Jesus' name, if there is a problem they pray and end their prayer in Jesus' name
- Isn't it strange that for such a significant, important thing when He says that you must be born of water and of Spirit to enter into the kingdom of God? (John 3:5)
- (He also said he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved (Mark 16:16))

#### 17 **NONE OTHER NAME....**

- Isn't strange that for so many that are called Christians still do not baptize in the name of Jesus Christ?
- Isn't that the name we use for everything?
- He speaks many times about how important His name is  
Acts 4:12  
12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
- His name is so much more important than saying your prayers and asking Him to bless your food in the name of Jesus Christ

#### 18 **OF IMPORTANCE...**

- His name to Him is important  
Revelation 21:2  
2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.  
Revelation 22:4  
4 and they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.
- We see over and over and over, as we have studied this, the

- importance of being in obedience to the entire Word of God
- In Colossians we see Scripture bearing witness to Scripture

## 19 **DO ALL IN THE NAME OF JESUS**

Colossians 3:17

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

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- We do all things in that name
- It is the people that are called by His name and full of His Spirit that will live in this New Jerusalem

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Revelation 22:5

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

## 20 **THE GATES WILL NEVER BE SHUT**

- The gates will never be shut, they are open all day and there is no night
- Inasmuch as no one may enter the city except those for whom it was prepared, the open gates must be for those inhabitants who desire to come and go

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Revelation 21:27

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

- Those gates aren't open for anyone except the bride of Christ

## 21 **GOING IN AND OUT**

- The bride may go in and out at will; the body of believers, the church of the living God
- The inhabitants of the city will at some certainly have the desire to see all the rest of the handiwork of Jesus up close

- There is another Scripture in the Old Testament that shows the same thing
- The Old Testament prophets and the angels desired to look into the time in which we live as it is the greatest time in mankind's history; it is the most privileged time to live
- The prophet Isaiah saw in a vision the things that were to take place in the future

22  **GOING IN AND OUT cont.**

- Here in the 60<sup>th</sup> chapter of Isaiah we are seeing the Jews as they went into sin and we are seeing that salvation can only come through Jesus Christ
- We are seeing here also the Gentiles being brought into the church of the living God
- This Scripture is dealing with the same time period as that which we are studying in Revelation

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Isaiah 60:8

8 Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?

- What is the explanation of this, as if we are just reading it? What do you think Isaiah was seeing?

23  **GOING IN AND OUT cont.**

- Isaiah was seeing the glorified bodies of the bride
- Our bodies have to be redeemed and that means they will be glorified
- Isaiah is seeing the time when this has taken place in the future as he is looking up to heaven from the earth
- Isaiah is seeing it the same way John did at the beginning of Revelation; from the earth looking up
- Isaiah sees this vision in amazement and wonderment which is why he asks the question
- It is what he actually saw and he is trying to describe it in natural

words

#### 24 **GOD GIVES THE LIGHT**

- This is a supernatural happening that we will be part of if we endure until the end, are full of His Spirit, and are called by His name
- God gives the light in their new home and there is no night there
- There are a number of other Scriptures in the Book of Revelation that shows this light
- Light is used in the Scripture as a supernatural light that guides us
- Light is associated with life in the Bible
- There could be no darkness in the presence of One who has the power of an endless life

#### 25 **RULING AND REIGNING WITH HIM**

- We will not need sleep in our new home so we won't need darkness
- "For in Him was life, and the life was the light of men." (John 1:4)
- This light is the supernatural light of the Lord God, and they shall reign with Him for ever and ever (Revelation 22:5)
- We often associate "ruling and reigning with Him" with the 1,000 years but it is not just during that time
- This time of ruling and reigning for the bride is for ever and ever
- We will reign with Him over the new earth and the worlds to come that we have already studied about

#### 26 **THE PROMISE OF HIS COMING**

2 Peter 3:8-10

8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

## 27 **WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS?**

2 Peter 3:11-14

11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

12 looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

## 28 **INSIDE VS OUTSIDE**

Revelation 21:27

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

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Revelation 22:15

15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

• If we are looking for that city, let's look at what He describes it to be

## 29 **A PLACE PREPARED**

John 14:2-3

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

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• Whether we go on before or we are caught up in the Rapture we will enter into this new city if we are obedient

• Not only is this something we look towards with great joy but this life right here, a life with a peace that passes all human

understanding and a joy unspeakable, makes it worth it all

### 30 **MORE THAN WE CAN EVER IMAGINE**

- Then when we look at what He is preparing for His people we see it is more than we can ever imagine in our minds

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1 Corinthians 2:9

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

- We have never been able to fully comprehend all that He really has done for us and that which He is doing for us
- Our lives have to: "Be ye holy, for I am holy." (1 Peter 1:16)

### 31 **THE POWER TO LIVE HOLY**

- Jesus did not die and shed His blood to keep us in our sins
- He died and shed His blood to save us out of our sins
- The Scriptures tell us He died to save us from our sins
- We cannot overcome our sins without the power of the Holy Ghost
- In the power of the Holy Ghost we can live holy
- The joy it brings and the power that you have to change your life makes it so very important that you receive this

### 32 **FOLLOWING IN OBEDIENCE**

- Jesus told Nicodemus in John 3:3 "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."
- We must take baptism in Jesus' name, and we must have the infilling of the Holy Spirit: knowing we have it, not just thinking we have it
- Being "saved" is the first step in receiving the Holy Spirit
- "Saved" and "believing" in this context mean the same thing
- Believing is only a step in the process: Satan believes and he is not saved
- We must follow in obedience this Word of God

### 33 **FAITHFUL AND TRUE**

- When we stay full of the Spirit, serving God is easy and is a joy
- Jesus wants His people to be fully aware of what it is that He is doing for them and what He is going to do

Revelation 22:6-7

6 And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to show unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 Behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

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### 34 **CLOSING GRAPHIC**