

"Our Eternal Home"

Revelation 21-22

1 THE NEW JERUSALEM WILL BE OUR HOME FOR ALL ETERNITY, Rev. 21:1-8 **Descent of New Jerusalem, the habitation of God (following the Millennium)**

- A. The new heaven and earth includes our eternal home, 21:1-2
1. Our eternal home will be part of a new world of creation, 21:1

cf. Rom. 8:14-21 (anticipation)
 cf. 2 Pe. 3:10-13 (how it will happen)

Our home in Heaven will be a renewed world of creation. Part of "heaven" will be on new earth!

No more curse, sin, or death, Rev. 22:3; cf. Isa.65:17; 66:1

2. Our city, the New Jerusalem, will come down to the new earth, 21:2
 - 2nd descent of this city; this time to the new earth in the eternal state
 - Abraham looking for it -- Heb. 11:10, 15-16
 - Saints look for it – Heb. 12:22

- B. Our King proclaims what will be included in our eternal inheritance, 21:3-8

1. Voice from the throne, 21:3-4
 - Predicts no more separation, 3
 - Predicts no more sorrow, 4

Not that there will be tears to wipe away. Point is the opposite--all tears will have already been wiped away, because the cause of tears will be no longer!

2. Voice on the throne, 21:5-8
 - a. The beginning & the end, 5-6a
 - b. The overcomer & the outcast, 6b-8

2 THE NEW JERUSALEM WILL BE OUR COMMUTE DURING THE MILLENNIUM, 21:9-27.

The New Jerusalem, the habitation of the Bride (preceding the Millennium)

- A. The home of the saints (Bride) will be brilliantly beautiful, 21:9-11.
- 1) special invitation, 9

- 2) spiritual transportation, 10
- 3) spectacular revelation, 11
 - "glory of God"
 - "brilliance"
 - "crystal clear stone"

B. Our eternal/millennial home is identified and measured, 21:12-17

1. The New Jerusalem is identified as all the saints, 21:12-14.
 - a. It is a gated community -- Number and names of the gates, 21:12-13

 - b. The foundation stones represent the foundation of the Church, 21:14

2. Our new Jerusalem is measured, 21:15-17
 - 1) 1500 miles (v.16)

 - 2) Christ at the pinnacle.

C. Our eternal/millennial home is made of special materials, 21:18-21

- walls -- jasper (crystal clear diamond)
- city -- pure, clear gold
- foundation -- 12 precious stones
- gates -- single pearl
- street -- pure, clear gold

D. The lighted city hovers over the millennial earth, 21:22-27

1. God's shekinah glory lights up the city from the inside, 21:2-23
 - 1) no need for a temple, 22
 - 2) no need for light, 23

2. The city of the saints will hover like a chandelier over the millennial earth, 21:24-27
 - 1) the sovereigns over the nations

 - 2) the saved only

3 OUR HOME WILL BE DELIGHTFUL FOREVER, Rev. 22:1-5

- A. River flows from the throne down the middle of the pure gold street, 1
- B. Fruit trees line River Boulevard, 2
- C. No curse will exist, 3a.
- D. God and the Lamb rule, 3b.
- E. The saints will enjoy the Lord, 3c-4.
- F. No darkness will exist, 5a.
- G. The saints will reign forever, 5b.

The Epilogue, 22:6-21

- A. The authentication of the words of the prophecy, 22:6-9
 - Comforting words, 22:6-7
 - Corrected words, 22:8-9
- B. The affirmation of the words of this prophecy, 22:10-16
 - Affirmed by the promise of imminent reward, 22:10-13
 - Affirmed by the Person of an eminent Ruler, 22:14-16
- C. The invitation from the words of this prophecy, 22:17
- D. The caution concerning the words of this prophecy, 22:18-19
 - Addition, 22:18
 - Subtraction, 22:19
- E. The benediction of the words of this prophecy, 22:20-21

Maranatha!

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