

THE ETERNAL STATE: THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH (Revelation 21-22)

I. THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH (Revelation 21:1)

II. THE NEW JERUSALEM (Revelation 21:2-22:5)

III. THE EPILOGUE OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION (Revelation 22:6-21)

C. Some CLOSING TRUTHS You Need to Believe. (22:16-21)

1. The *final affirmation of the reliability of this book* is that, “I, _____ have sent My Angel to testify these things to you in the _____.” (22:16a)
2. The *final description of Jesus Christ* is, “I am the _____ and offspring of _____, the bright and _____ star.” (22:16b)
 - **What have we learned about Jesus Christ in this book?**
 - He is the Messiah
 - He is the bright and morning star signaling the dawning of a new day of the millennial kingdom followed by the eternal state when He comes again
3. The *final invitation of salvation for the unsaved* is that, “the Spirit and the bride say, “_____!” And let him who hears say, “come!” And let him who thirsts come. Whoever _____, let him _____ the water of life freely (22:17)
 - Why does the Holy Spirit say “come”?
 - He was sent by the Lord Jesus to _____ the world of _____ / _____ and judgment
 - His objective is to use the _____ to convict people of their need of Christ
 - Who is the bride and why does it say “come”?
 - We (the church) have been commissioned as _____ for Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel
 - Who is him that hears and why does he say this?
 - Him who hears: the saved who should be burdened for the lost around them who are headed either for a Crist-less eternity and/or the tribulation.
 - Who can obtain the water of life?
 - whoever desires (NKJV) wills (KJV): the invitation is open to _____ not just the elect
 - Water of life: metaphor for _____ - it quenches your thirst for God /gives you eternal life
 - What does the water of life cost and why?
 - “let him take the water of life _____”.
 - What must the sinner do to obtain the water of life?

- To take God’s gift of salvation, what must you conclude about the Word of God?
 - That it is _____ and _____ of your trust!

- 4. **The *final warnings to those who tamper with this book* [and the Word of God] are, “For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone _____ to these things, God will _____ to him the plagues that are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall _____ away his part from the Book/Tree of Life, from the holy _____, and from things which are written in this book. (22:18-19)**
 - What does this mean?
 - Those who do not believe the gospel either add (e.g. works) or take away (e.g. don’t accept that Jesus is the Son of God) truths written in scripture
 - Who does it apply to?
 - To the _____ who does not believe the Word of God; thus he adds or takes away from it. [For example ...]
 - Contextually, this is in keeping with the final invitation to the _____ in vs. 17.
 - Doctrinally, this is in keeping with the scriptural truth of _____ security.
 - Historically, this is consistent with _____ language in the Bible, especially being placed at its very end.

- 5. **The *final promise of this book from Jesus Christ* is, “_____ I am coming _____.” (22:20a)**

- 6. **The *final response in this book* is, “_____. Even so, _____ Lord Jesus!” (22:20b)**

- 7. **The *final benediction of this book* encourages us that while we as believers in Christ face trials and suffering while we wait eagerly for the Lord Jesus Christ to come, let’s be reminded that, “The _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. _____.” (22:21)**
 - How is this final verse a striking contrast from how the OT ended?

Malachi 4:5-6

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet

Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.

⁶ And he will turn

The hearts of the fathers to the children,

And the hearts of the children to their fathers,

Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.”

Revelation 22:21

The **grace of our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you all. Amen.