

The Book of REVELATION
Chapter 22
The Spirit and the Bride Say, "Come!"

I) Reign Forever & Ever (v1-5)

> The *New Jerusalem* will have:

- *the throne of God & the Lamb*
- *a river of water of life*
- *the tree of life (twelve fruits & leaves for the healing of the nations)*
- *no more curse*
- *no night (the Lord God gives the light)*

> **What will we do?** We shall serve the *Lamb* & reign forever & ever! **Rev 3:21** - *To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. 2 Tim 2:12* - *If we endure, we shall also reign with Him.*

> **What will life be like in the Eternal City?**

- 1- *A life of fellowship with Him* - 1 Cor. 13:12; 1 John 3:2
- 2- *A life of rest* - Rev. 14:13
- 3- *A life of full knowledge* - 1 Cor. 13:12
- 4- *A life of holiness* - Rev. 21:27
- 5- *A life of joy* - Rev. 21:4
- 6- *A life of service* - Rev. 22:3
- 7- *A life of abundance* - Rev. 21:6
- 8- *A life of glory* - 2 Cor. 4:17; Col. 3:4
- 9- *A life of worship* - Rev. 19:1; 7:9-12; 5:12

II) Receive Blessings & Rewards (v6-14)

(v6) These words are faithful & true.

(v7) **How can we get blessed?** By keeping the words of the prophecy of this book.

(v9) **Who do we worship?** God

(v10) **Why is John told NOT to seal up the prophecy of this book?** The time is at hand; whereas, Daniel

(v12) **What are the REWARDS OF CHRIST?** (Ref.- Matthew 25:14-30 – “Well done!”)

1 Cor 3:12-15 - *Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.*

2 Cor 5:9-10 - *Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.*

(v13) **Jesus is the ETERNAL Son of God!**

(v14) **How can we get doubly blessed?** By doing His commandments. (Ref.- Mt. 19:16-22)

John 15:10 - *If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. 1 John 2:3-5* - *Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 1 John 5:2-3* - *By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.*

III) The Spirit & the Bride say “Come!” (v15-19)

(v15) Those outside the city? Dogs - “those of low character” **1 Cor 6:9-11-** *Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.*

(v16) In His deity, Christ is David’s root. In His humanity, He is David’s offspring.

(v17) The Spirit (Holy Spirit) & the bride (the church) say “COME!”

(v18-19) Don’t add & don’t take away from this book!

(v20) “Surely I come quickly” – This final statement maintains the doctrine of the imminent return of Christ, calling all believers to look forward to and be ready for the RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH! (Mt. 24:36 – 25:1-13; Jn. 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 4:13-18)

(v21) The GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST BE WITH YOU ALL! AMEN! (Eph. 2:8-10)