

• LESSON 12 (March 22) •

# “And I Saw No Temple in the City”

**W**e’ve covered a lot of ground and several millennia in this study. Take a moment, from the outset of this final lesson, to reflect on where we’ve been.

- Lesson 1 - Awe-Inspiring Encounters with God

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## The LORD God Almighty Who Tore the Veil

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## The LORD God Almighty Who is Transforming the Unveiled

- Lesson 11 - We All, With Unveiled Face, Are Being Transformed

Our final lesson, which focuses on the conclusion of the Revelation of Jesus Christ to John, brings us full circle in several beautiful and eternally significant ways.

- **Revelation 20:7-10** – Satan, “the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, the deceiver of the whole world” (12:9; 20:2) is thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur to be tormented day and night forever and ever.
- **Revelation 20:11-15** – the dead, great and small, have *the* awe-inspiring encounter of judgment before the great white throne of God. Books are opened, the book of life is opened, and the dead are judged by what is written in the books according to what they have done. If anyone’s name is not found in the book of life, they are thrown into the lake of fire, the second death.



- **Revelation 21:1-27** – John sees a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth have passed away, and the sea is no more.

Meditate carefully on some of the glorious details revealed in Revelation 21-22. What is their significance in this last piece of divine revelation? How do they relate to our overall study of the tabernacle, the temple, and the transforming glory of the Lord?

- ❖ “I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.” (21:2)
- ❖ “And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Behold, the dwelling place (or *tabernacle*) of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.’” (21:3)
- ❖ “‘He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.’” (21:4)
- ❖ “And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.” (21:22-27)

- ❖ “Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.” (Rev 22:1-5)
  
- ❖ “Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.” (Rev 22:14)
  
- ❖ “The Spirit and the Bride say, ‘Come.’ And let the one who hears say, ‘Come.’ And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.” (Rev 22:17)

**CLOSING THOUGHT:** “He who testifies to these things says, ‘Surely I am coming soon.’ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you all. Amen. (Rev 22:20-21)