



Lesson 12

The Lord God Will Be Their Light

Revelation 21-22 is a truly special section of God’s written revelation to mankind. What will happen after the ultimate defeat of Satan (20:7-10) and the judgment of all humanity (20:11-15)? What will exist? What will *be*? What will life be like for those who hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant”?

“Behold, I Am Making All Things New”

What stands out to you as you read and reflect on:

- ☀ “A new heaven and a new earth” (21:1) -
- ☀ “The holy city, new Jerusalem” (21:2-3, 9-21) -
- ☀ New “things” or experiences (21:4) -

Notice—especially in relation to our study this quarter—what we are told about this “new” life:

And I saw no _____ in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of _____ or _____ to shine on it, for the _____ 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 _____ 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 _____, 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 _____ 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 _____, 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 _____, and they will _____ forever and ever. (22:1-5)

In what way is this the perfect conclusion to the “light” thread we started following in **Genesis 1**?

Let’s not miss the note on which the Bible really ends. What does God want us—those who have been commissioned to shine as children of light—to know and share (21:5-8; 22:6-7, 14-15, 17, 20-21)?

