

Daily Devotional, October 22, 2020

'The Eternal State', (Revelation 21:1)

“Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away.” (Revelation 21:1, NKJV)

Christian friend, these are dark times, and we live in a dark world. But we have hope, and we long for a better place. Consider twenty things that the Bible says about your eternal home in the following verses in the Book of Revelation!

1. 21:4, no more tears, death, sorrow, crying, or pain
2. 21:11, “glory of God” is there
3. 21:11, exceptionally pure light
4. 21:12, “a great and high wall” about the city, with “twelve gates”, each attended by an angel corresponding to each of the “twelve tribes of the children of Israel”
5. 21:14, “twelve foundations”, foundation stones named after the “twelve apostles” (Cf. Acts 1:13,26)
6. 21:16, the heavenly city was a cube 1380 miles long, 1380 miles wide, 1380 miles high, ample room for all the redeemed to dwell within
7. 21:17, the “wall” will be 144 cubits, which is 216 feet high
8. 21:18, “city was pure gold”, reflective like “glass”
9. 21:19-21, precious stones and pearls supplement the pure gold
10. 21:22, “no temple”, which is a differentiating point with the Millennial Kingdom (Cf. Ezekiel 48:21,35)
11. 21:23, city lighted by the Shekinah Glory
12. 21:25, no night there, the Son will always be shining there
13. 21:26, “glory and honor” is the expressions of praise and worship due God (Cf. 19:1)
14. 21:27, no sin there
15. 21:27, those unbelievers who experience the Great White Throne judgment shall not be allowed into the celestial city
16. 22:1, “water of life” (Cf. John 7:37-38)
17. 22:2, “tree of life”, paradise lost is now restored (Cf. Genesis 3:22-24)
18. 22:3, “no more curse”, those of Genesis 3 will be lifted
19. 22:4, we shall see the very face of God, and be identified as His children for all eternity
20. 22:5, continuing reign of the saints (Cf. 5:10, 20:4-6)