

Ch 1 External view of New Jerusalem w/ walls 216' pure crystal; city 1500 miles, length, width, height a cube—21/4 million square miles each level; 1500 levels; walls clear crystal = Jasper = diamond—city pure gold w/ light of Gods glory radiating—foundations normally underground but New Jerusalem are visible & beautiful w/ precious stones w/ various colors; each of 12 foundation stones its own jewel—brilliant light of God shining thru.

Ch 22 internal view

*1 And he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb, 2 in the middle of its street. And on either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.*

One of the seven angels who poured out 7 bowls of God's wrath showing us around *River of water of life* – People fascinated even obsession w/ staying young or finding fountain of youth **Michael Jackson wanted to live for 150 years**. He appointed 12 doctors at home who would daily examine him from hair to toenails. His food was always tested in laboratory before serving. Another 15 people were appointed to look after his daily exercise & workout. He would spend hours in hyperbaric or oxygen chamber--scientists have actually proved that the chamber can help with anti-aging. – Movie **'Cocoon'** Oscar-winning fantasy in which the residents of a Florida rest home get a new lease of life when they stumble across an alien "fountain of youth" in a vacant holiday home. Not knowing it but aliens had been using the swimming pool in the house to store their cocooned brethren, giving the waters a powerful, rejuvenating quality. **The fountain**-tree of life whoever drinks of its sap will live forever. A man travels through time on a quest for immortality & to save the woman he loves. As a 16<sup>th</sup>C conquistador, Tomas searches for the legendary Fountain of Youth  
***Jn 4:13,14 Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water***

*shall thirst again; 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.” Jn 7:37-39 37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. 38 “He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.’” 39 But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Water clear/crystal – pure, refreshing, no pollywogs, not stagnant – **me puddle***

*Water of life thru main street* – most cities have main streets – Bishop runs thru downtown--Kalakaua runs thru Waikiki. River main Hwy available to all to see & access – not climb top **Himalayas** for mystical water source for long life.

*Tree of life* barred in Eden now transport to New Jerusalem--on both sides, accessible to all--whatever side of street your on—**12 fruits; 12 months** – constant variety-**deep space proves. Leaves**-herbs for **healing-therapeian-therapeutic, health giving, enrichment of new life & pleasures-massage chair**

*Nations—ethnicities--all people-OT, NT, tribulation saints, none left out who have trusted Jesus for salvation. Those in remote areas never heard name Jesus--judged by law written in heart Rom 2 13 for not the hearers of the Law are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified. 14 For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, 15 in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness, and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them, 16 on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.*

*3 And there shall no longer be any **curse**; and the **throne of God** and of the **Lamb** shall be in it, and His **bond-servants** shall serve Him; 4 and they shall **see His face**, and His **name** shall be on their **foreheads**.*

*Curse* last word OT Malachi (result of sin) But now only blessing—‘*don’t tell be the bad only the good*’ *Throne God/Lamb* – comforting presence—People your awkward to be around—then discover most loving, caring, personable

Bond-servants – Lit *slave by choice* – *see His face*—fulfills *1Cor 13:12 For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know fully just as I also have been fully known. Polished brass mirrors*

*His name forehead* phylactery--symbol of God filled mind--w/ Law/prophets Here Gods name & His character w/ us & in us. *Antichrist marks*---Moses-face to face--features show expression--love, stress, concern, joy. *Marriage one flesh--look alike*. Moses face reflected God’s glory only--hind parts

*5 And there shall no longer be any night; and they shall not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God shall illumine them; and they shall reign forever and ever.*

*No night*- Bright lights in cities today—torches back then—night travelers needed moon or stumble, get lost—plus it scary, lonely, unsafe. He is physical and spiritual light-- ‘*In Him was life and life was light of men*’ *God is light in Him there is no darkness*’ No natural (sun) or artificial (light). *Name on forehead* speaks of ownership, favor, affection

*Reign forever*-With Christ—having His authority to enforcing righteousness & will of God. *Over what?* Already did so during Millennial—But will there be new realms of life in universe? *AT Pierson 19<sup>th</sup> C pastor-preacher-missionary-13K sermons-50 books*

*6 And he said to me, “These words are faithful and true”; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants the things which must shortly take place. 7 “And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book.”*

*Words faithful & true* We think too good to be true. But No--God sent word of future events by *His angel*, **must**, **not maybe** take place—*bugged by people who promise & never follow thru*. *Shortly tachu* warning to stay alert—it's Gods timetable--day as thousand – speedily, suddenly

*Quickly*--rapidity of succession once it begins--dominos. *Blessing* on those who hear & heed message of prophecy of Revelation—it shapes & forms belief system of what's ahead.

***8 And I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed me these things. 9 And he said to me, "Do not do that; I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brethren the prophets and of those who heed the words of this book; worship God."***

8,9 John reputation, heard and saw – fell in worship, awe struck at revelation but misdirected, messenger instead of Message. Put interment on pedestal.

10 Dan 12 told to seal up. Joh 700 years later told not to seal. Pr 4:18 Lk 12:56 Rise or fall to direction life is headed, downward slide or upward movement.

11 Choices have consequences—decisions determine destiny's God acknowledge fact people will reject Him and not heed prophecy of Rev—nothing left for them no other message to offer only alteranative is wicked act wickedly. Lord will judge at his coming and they are eternally set in wickedness. And so to the righteous who choose Jesus as savior—no in between, no neutral zone. Present choosing determine future fixed state. – sow a thought.... The state at which a person dies will be the eternal

state—some see progressive wickedness in eternal state til monstrous.  
And righteous go from glory to glory in righteousness.

12 3x's coming quickly a wake up call. Jesus alerts readers – rapidly idea to take heed destiny sealed once He comes. No second chances—canary Islands Jesus is our reward and will reward at Bema 2 cor 5:10; 1 cor 3:12-14 Rom 14:10

13 Grk a and z; first and last; beginning and end—Is 44:6; 48:12only said of eternal God who is declaring last days events. So from divine point of view, wake up, shape up listen up, He who began all things in garden of eden will end all things at His coming and renew all things for all eternity. Some eternal loos others eternal bliss. Mat 16:2,3

14 Do commandments-Lit who wash their robes Seiss better—same ideal'what must we do?? Believe in Him.. Image of salvation, washing of water w/ word Eph 5:26 'washing of regenera dn renewal..titus 3:5—image of trib saints 7:14 Matt 22:2-14-not dressed.

Sardis 3:4 not soiled garments but anticipating Lords return

15 contrast-those w/o washed garments—scavenger dogs=men of corrupt character –pharmakeia 1cor 6:9-11

16 Matt 1:21 – my angel id as almighty God – dual nature God/man as God root originator of David as man offspring of David

Bright morning star signal of dawning of new day—Nu 24:17 Mat 1:21

17 Spirit and bride = us our call and commission, so anticipate the Lords soon coming—we call others to come—wise men, we've come to worship

Him—I did not come to call righteous but sinners. Come to me all who weary 'if anyon wishe to come after me...R.Y.R sell all come follow—'come and you will see' Take freely Is 55:1

18,19 Not greater exhortation—telling future events and prepares wold for it. To mess w/ is to violate sacred trust to corrupt history written in advance revelaiing the destiny of saints and sinners Dt 4:2; Ps 30:6 Warning to liberals, mockers, deniers snobs put themselves in place of God

20 Last three words of man to God come lord Jesus First word s of man to God 'I hid myself 3:10

21 first and last books of OT declare a curse Mal 4:6 Last of NT grage

*10 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. 11 "Let the one who does wrong, still do wrong; and let the one who is filthy, still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous, still practice righteousness; and let the one who is holy, still keep himself holy." 12 "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. 13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." 14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter by the gates into the city. 15 Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying. 16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright morning star." 17 And 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 wishes take the water of life without cost. 18 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God shall add to him the plagues which are written in this book; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book. 20 He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming quickly." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. 21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.*