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THE REVELATION OF JOHN

Chapter 21

OUTLINE

I. **ALL THINGS MADE NEW (1-8)**

A. **THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH (1)**

1. John sees a new heaven and a new earth
2. The first heaven and earth had passed away, and there was no sea

B. **THE NEW JERUSALEM (2)**

1. John saw the holy city coming down out of heaven
2. It was prepared as a bride adorned for her husband

C. **THE PROCLAMATION FROM HEAVEN (3-4)**

1. "The Tabernacle of God is with men"
 - a. "He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people"
 - b. "God Himself will be with them and be their God"
2. "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes"
 - a. "There shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying"
 - b. "There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away"

D. **THE PROCLAMATION FROM THE ONE WHO SAT ON THE THRONE (5-8)**

1. "Behold, I make all things new"
 - a. "Write, for these words are true and faithful"
 - b. "It is done!"
2. "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End"
 - a. "I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts"

- b. "He who overcomes shall inherit all things"
 - 1. "I will be his God"
 - 2. "He shall be My son"
- 3. "But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars..."
 - a. "Shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone"
 - b. "Which is the second death"

II. **THE NEW JERUSALEM (9-21)**

A. **JOHN IS SHOWN THE HOLY CITY (9-11)**

- 1. By one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the last plagues
 - a. Who offered to show John "the bride, the Lamb's wife"
 - b. Who carried him away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain
- 2. He sees the great city, the holy Jerusalem
 - a. Descending out of heaven from God
 - b. Having the glory of God
 - c. With light like a jasper stone, clear as crystal

B. **THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY AND ITS WALL (12-21)**

- 1. It had a great and high wall with twelve gates with twelve angels at the gates
 - a. With the names of the twelve tribes of Israel
 - b. With three gates each on the east, north, south, and west
 - c. With twelve foundations, on which were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb
- 2. The measurement of the city, the gates, and the wall
 - a. The angel had a golden reed to measure the city laid out as a cube, its length, breadth, and height are each 12,000 furlongs (1500 miles)
 - b. The wall is one hundred and forty-four cubits (216 feet)
- 3. The city's construction, the wall, its foundations, and the gates. The wall was of jasper; the city was pure gold, like clear glass
 - a. The twelve foundations of the wall were adorned with precious stones:

1. Jasper
 2. Sapphire
 3. Chalcedony
 4. Emerald
 5. Sardonyx
 6. Sardius
 7. Chrysolite
 8. Beryl
 9. Topaz
 10. Chrysoprase
 11. Jacinth
 12. Amethyst
- b. The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate one pearl
 - c. The street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass

III. **THE GLORY OF THE HOLY CITY (22-27)**

A. **ILLUMINATED BY THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND THE LAMB (22-23)**

1. Its temple are the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb
2. It is illuminated by the glory of God and the Lamb

B. **ENHANCED BY THOSE WHO ENTER IT (24-27)**

1. The nations of the saved shall walk in its light
2. The kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it
3. Its gates shall not be shut at all by day, and there is no night there
4. The nations shall bring their glory and honor into it
 - a. Nothing that defiles, causes an abomination or a lie, shall enter it
 - b. Only those written in the Lamb's Book of Life enter it