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CHAPTER ONE

DECLARING THE END FROM THE BEGINNING

Declaring the END from the BEGINNING, and from ANCIENT TIMES the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Isaiah 46:10

The corporate Christ {The glorious church, the global kingdom community} has but only to return to the **Ancient paths** as recorded in Jeremiah 6:16. The Ancient path is a place of beginnings in the heart and mind of God the Father. It is a place that gives us rest to our souls; realigning & establishing us in the right path to perceive, understand, & to rightly relate to the Father God, and to what he has purposed for us in the beginning.

For there is an eternal now-ness with the Father, a realm of comprehension that all things are **complete, finished**, or as we often put it in our assemblies, "**A DONE DEAL!**" Meaning, God the Father ceased from his own labors as recorded in Genesis 2:1-4 and we are to rest in his **accomplishments**. Of course this also means that the Father God will bring nothing to pass outside of his rest. For his rest is to be our *habitation and abode!*

Yes all things are done and complete by the Father's perspective, but there are things still, which must be brought into **manifestation, tangibility, and substance**. For in *Hebrews 11:1*, faith gives *substance* to our hope or expectation; and beloved, the kingdom community today is beginning to live out the manifestation of God's decreed will and purpose from ancient times, of old, from everlasting.

Therefore, manifestation is the key, which releases all that the Father is to his people. **Manifestation is essential to the "It Is Finished" of God's eternal purpose. Without it, the reality of his will and purpose would be "held in the heavens" if you will.** But the release has come forth in the earth that is transcending and superceding the carnal and lofty reasoning and dictates of men. {Genesis 11}. It is here, NOW!

The principles of Ancient Times reveal that there is something far more to life than what it appears to be by the natural eye. For when you speak of the *Wisdom of God, the Ancient of Days, the Foundations of God, his Eternal Purpose, or even the Realm of Beginnings*, you are coming into the true nature of things, seeing things from the Father's Eyes.

For in him we live, move, and have our being. His exhale is our inhale! His breath is our life! His Spirit is our spirit. *We are one!*

From the standpoint of beginning, God has set out his decree with the end result already in mind. Like a wise master-builder or *architect*, one will have laid out the plan of action to build before the building is ever completed. In one's mind, the building is visualized before realized. In one's mind there is conception before perfection.

In the heart of the architect, there will be a **foundation [30 fold], a formation [60 fold], and a finishing [100 fold] of the building project**. Every plan and purpose of the construction team will have in mind their desired and expected end; otherwise they will be headed toward unreasonable delays in the building process. *1 Corinthians 14:33; Luke 14:28*

[Note: Right instruction and construction versus obstruction or destruction]

As we look further into the principle of the **END from the BEGINNING**, we see a vastly different approach to things. Here, we see God as a *restorer*, and not merely as a destroyer. We see his love greater than the idea of hell itself. We see his purpose for his covenant children inheriting the earth and not merely to evacuate it. We see Jesus Christ held in the heavens until! {Acts 3:21}

Now, what we are after here is truth as a person, not merely "A" truth or some little truth at the exclusion and harmony of the entire scriptures For that is where things become very shaky, when we make "A" Truth into "The Truth," not realizing that truth is not the destination itself, but is a journey. For in **TRUTH, there is MORE to COME! Ephesians 1:13-18**

Beloved, Truth is a person, and that person is the Lord Himself as recorded in John 14:6.

But the Person of truth, as we receive and embrace for our life, will always establish you in His eternal purpose, as *truth is distinct from mere facts*. All logic is not truth, and all facts within itself is not the Spirit of truth. For any good religionist can have the facts, but where is the Spirit of Truth? What fruit and substance does his logical conclusions and fact-finding produces? *1 John 4:1-6*

We are known by our roots and by our fruits. Note the following

Many believers has had a field day trying to detach itself from its Ancient heritage. Ancient Hebraic roots has its basis on the foundation of the worship of the One True God, Yahweh. And many today dishonor the original meaning of this important foundation and discovery. Though we are not suggesting for one to become a Jew literally, believers should acknowledge the foundation and *continuity* of God's purpose from old Israel to the church today, which is the Israel of God. In the mind of God a Jew is one inwardly with the *circumcision of the heart and spirit*, and not by the flesh {Philippians 3:3}.

Yes, the church is the *Israel of God, Jew and Gentile, bond and free drinking into one Spirit*. Therefore, we can appreciate in great depths our Hebrew foundation! As an apostle, I do not perceive the need to return to Jerusalem, or to live strictly in the Jewish sense. However, I can appreciate the contribution of the Jew from old covenant to new, without having to resort to nationalistic pride from either end. For in present truth, the Jew is You!

Romans 2:28-29; Galatians 6:16; 1 Corinthians 12:13

Another example of roots and fruits has to do with the *Headship and Preeminence of Christ*. For we are not only the body of Christ, but *Christ the body*. Everything in the Christ is to be found in his body. Unfortunately, we have substituted our Lord's headship for sectarianism which are birthed out of carnality as confirmed in 1 Corinthians 1:10-13; 3:1-4. Many religious systems have become Homo-sectarian, which places stock in what they believe at the exclusion of WHOM they believe {Psalms 2}, and who also places numerical value, premium, and stock on the numbers of their growth to determine assuredly their strength...1 Chronicles 21...

Many also pitch their tents and argue over tenets of doctrine, later to turn it into a monument. For again, a monument may appear to be where God once was, but a divine movement of the Spirit is where God the Father now is. If the brook is dried up, then move on. For in some respects old order revelation, without the quickening Spirit and proceeding word for today may easily become today and tomorrow's darkness. That is why the global church is to be established in the present truth, or what the Holy Spirit is saying NOW through His word. Colossians 2:10, 19; Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:3-6, 15.

If the darkness is not passed in order for the True Light to Shine, then continue to receive of the Holy Spirit for the Lord to bring **LIGHT out of DARK PLACES**. Admittedly, God does bring to LIGHT things in His timing, will, and purpose, and if we are impatient to receive, then we may discern or prayerfully determine the motive of our intention, which produces works of our own invention, until the Lord steps in with divine intervention.

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All in all, God's eternal purpose would be carefully perceived by what he has already started. If in the beginning his eternal purpose was habitation, then the end is declared thereby. If the Father established in the dateless past the stability of the kingdom, then, kingdom NOW it is. The end is declared by the beginning. Isaiah 46:10-11

Our plans may change though the purpose may remain the same. However, God's plans never change. From the voice of the Lord in Garden of Eden to the voice of the Lord in the Holy City, His purpose continues, His steadfastness sure. From the Aaronic priesthood to the corporate body of Christ as kings and priest unto God, his purpose continues in forceful and unstoppable momentum.

From first the natural to the spiritual, or from Jerusalem of old to the New Jerusalem now, his eternal purpose continues. Father God declares the end from the beginning! Is. 46:10-11

Whether God used natural Israel of old, or the corporate Christ today as the true Israel of God [1 Corinthians 12:13: Jew and Gentile drinking into ONE Spirit], his methods may change over the seasons of time, *but not the continuity of his eternal purpose.*

For destiny with purpose is the meaning of life here on earth, not the change of our plans. Destiny with Purpose is the reason why God the Father continues to do his pleasure, and not our own. Divine Destiny with Purpose is the vital key to a fulfilling life here on earth.

Although everything has purpose, all do not have destiny. Materials and products have purpose, but no destiny. Building new homes have purpose, but the building itself has no destiny. But, whomever the Lord breathes his breath of LIFE into, they have both purpose and destiny, the **Urim and Thumin, the Power of the Two Witnesses...**

As the Holy City, the New Jerusalem coming down from above, it is chiefly important to know what or whom the city really is, and how the revelation of the city can change the way we now live on earth. For many still treat the New Jerusalem as if it is final fantasy, perhaps fantasy island. Fewer consider it to be some mother-ship or spacecraft from afar, that which is landing into our atmosphere {smile, grin, and giggle if you will}...

But the masses see the New Jerusalem as that which is attainable after the resurrection of the dead, in their literal text as some 1500-mile city to be inhabited by billions upon billions of believers from eternity past unto eternity future. Whatever the reason for your feelings and beliefs, **the Holy City is nevertheless real, birthed and manifested through the substance of the Spirit into our conscience being, as a dimension of living, a way of life.**

The Holy City is a real place, but it is not defined by the traditions {trades} of men or by the downward spiral revelation becoming the relegation of men's regulations. It is a place in the Spirit which God is manifesting in the incarnate word, the word becoming flesh or substance, the word becoming more than what we could TALK about, but a clear word of the Spirit that we can WALK about.

□ *I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass* □ *Isaiah 46:11*

CHAPTER TWO

REVELATION KNOWLEDGE

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom [Sophia □ relating to spiritual insight into the true nature of things] and revelation [Apokalupsis □ an uncovering, disclosure, appearing, coming, manifestation] in the knowledge [or intimate knowing] of him. The eyes of your understanding being enlightened [photizo, as in photography, or a form of light to produce the picture]; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of the inheritance in the saints. Ephesians 1:17-18 [read on in your spare time to verse 23]

This prayer ought to become an *integral part* of our daily progression. For when we ask and thank the heavenly Father daily for the *spirit of wisdom and revelation*, we become quickened outside the natural apprehension and assistance of men from the realm of information, into revealed knowledge that only comes from the assistance and aid of the Holy Spirit producing **REVELATION**. For this realm of glory is not revealing an addition to scripture, but rather illumination! For you can be born again and Spirit filled, but there remains a spiritual need to be quickened. *Ephesians 2:1; John 6:63*

The phrase "**revelation knowledge**" is a very misunderstood one indeed. Among many Charismatic, Prophetic, and some Pentecostal circles, revelation knowledge is said to mean the same as a "*rhema word*." Rhema revelation, which is a quickening word, is distinct in meaning from the term "Logos word" which is both Jesus the Christ and his written word. The rhema revelation is only to agree with what God's whole *wisdom, whole counsel, and whole knowledge is saying*. The rhema revelation is a part and fragment of the whole of what God has already said and is experienced by more Evangelicals than what they care to admit.

For many, rhema is another spirit, error to say the least. But again, rhema revelation which agrees with the logos word is simply the quickening nature of the Spirit of God to reveal in HIS timing for a specific purpose. It is more than a momentary flash or flood of revelation knowledge, **it is the ability of the human spirit to hear, perceive, and comprehend the mind of the Spirit of God**. It is God revealing to man as a means of communication through the Spirit. It can also be understood as God speaking to you through his written {yet proceeding} word.

Now, it is so tragic these days to hear and see many believers fall into suspicion of having received a mental stronghold while asking the Father for his *good gifts*.

It is rather disheartening too, to assume that there is the possibility of getting mental and emotionally incapacitated, resulting in prayer and worship with the heavenly Father through glossalolia. Such line of reasoning *breeds mistrusts* and can not be a determining factor for hearing from God. Such shaky and unstable foundation is based on sensitivity of the chaotic works of darkness, and not the person, presence, and passion of the Spirit of God from within the Most Holy Place, the 3rd dimension of our maturity.

This too, continues to be the apparent warfare of many Fundamentalists who ascribe these and other operations of the Holy Spirit as confusion, antiquated, and not for today...

Now note below some scripture one can build upon when it comes to rhema revelation, or the spoken and uttered word□

.Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every [rhema] word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. Matthew 4

So then faith come by hearing, and hearing by the [rhema] word of God. Romans 10:17

And take on the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word [rhema] of God. Ephesians 6:17

God, who at sundry times and in divers manner spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son□Hebrews 1:1-2

According to the above scripture, has God the Father stopped speaking in the 20th - 21st century?

No, not at all!

Then why do so many saints live as if He did?

Shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?

Hebrews 12:9

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searches all things, yea, and the deep things of God. 1 Corinthians 2:10

For thou wilt light my candle: the Lord my God will enlighten my darkness. Psalms 18:28

The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly. Proverbs 20:27

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REVELATION AND INTERPRETATION

Revelation is the understanding of revealed knowledge through the Spirit as *illumination*, and not scripturated *addition*. Interpretation is understood as translation, from the Greek word "*Hermeneia*." **Translation surely has had a significant and vital part of the preserving of scripture, critical research, and the acknowledgment of various fine shades of scriptural meaning.**

It stills hold an important place in the body of Christ at large and in my life, too. However, *the pride* of men have taken more of an interest to rely solely on their paraphrases, or have made an idol god out of their own interpretation the very scripture itself.

Now, there are over 100 different translations and paraphrases of the Holy Scriptures. When comparing certain verses of one paraphrase to another, you can sometimes come up with a slight or significant contradiction of the other. What may read one way in one translation or paraphrase may mean a totally different thing in another. And if that isn't enough, just review some of the commentary and footnotes of some leading bible publishing houses.

For some, speaking in other tongues as the Spirit of God gives utterance is obsolete. For others, women are never to teach or preach in the local church. And for a number of others, the gifts of the Spirit are no longer in operation today, and if practiced by charisma saints, then it is ascribed as satanic. Dear God!

Translation is a powerful tool to understanding the scriptures. However, many theologians remain steeped in their traditions claiming the term "*Bible*," but know not the God of the Holy Scriptures. They profess "*Knowledge*" which puffs up, but are not in love with the one who inspired the written word, or in communion to the revealing Spirit of God, or have not received the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

In all of the great strides man has made, he still finds himself in deep need of the living God. For many, the Holy Scriptures is nothing more than a means of debate, a way to defend their religious slant. Not forgetting, the scriptures become a tool for advancing their own organization and cause, while many countless believers wander in bewilderment over whether or not the scriptures really is the word of God. *Matthew 15:3, 8-19*

Well I have got news for you. The bible is not genuinely characterized as the word of God when steeped in the traditions and rudiments of mere men.

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The bible is not genuinely characterized as the word of God when we intimidate, manipulate, or dominate others therewith. The bible is not genuinely characterized as the word of God when one interprets it at the exclusion of the harmony or whole of the scriptures. And, the bible is not genuinely characterized as the word of God when we are not open and teachable to the Holy Spirit himself. *John 14:6,17; 15:26; 16:13*

Scriptures below acknowledging the spirit of revelation or revealed knowledge

Revelation of the righteous judgment of God *Romans 2:5*

According to the revelation of the mystery *Romans 16:25*

I shall speak to you either by revelation *1 Corinthians 14:6*

Doctrines, hath a tongue, have a revelation *1 Corinthians 14:26*

I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord *2 Corinthians 12:1*

but by the revelation of Jesus Christ *Galatians 1:12*

And I went up by revelation *Galatians 2:2*

Wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him □ *Ephesians 1:17*
How that by revelation he hath made known unto me the mystery □ *Eph. 3:3*

Unto you the revelation of Jesus Christ □ *1 Peter 1:13*

The revelation of Jesus Christ □ *Revelation 1:1*

Let's look at the following verses of scripture

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit □ *1 Corinthians 2:10*

Through the abundance of revelations □ *2 Corinthians 12:7*

Is a God in heaven that reveal secrets □ *Daniel 2:29*

But he reveal his secrets unto his servants the prophets □ *Amos 3:7*

To reveal his son in me □ *Galatians 1:16*

Manifestation [same Greek word] of the sons of God □ *Romans 8:19*

If we can trust the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us daily in all life applications, why can't we trust him to reveal truth to our inward man?

Why do we fear receiving a stone when we ask for bread? Why do we fear receiving a serpent if we ask for fish? And why do we fear receiving a scorpion if we ask for an egg? Is it because we have separated the word of God from God himself. Have we separated the person of the Lord and his Holy Spirit from the scriptures? Are we relying on our own sight and ability to obtain precious insights from the scriptures as an important intellectual treatise or of HIM, the God of the Holy Scriptures?

Maybe we really don't know the Father *intimately {into-me-see}* as we exclaim. If so, there would be no suspicion and mistrust of receiving from the Father and the articulation and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. There would be no need to become heresy hunters when we are to become truth seekers and kingdom reapers. When we ask of the Father, we shall receive assuredly of him.

Every good and precious gift comes from above, and Papa has freely given us all things. So remain in agreement with the Person and Spirit of Truth □ *Matthew 7:7-11. If we desire TRUTH, then thank God for the Spirit of TRUTH. Read also John 14, John 15, and John 16, and discover further and more deeply the Spirit of Truth which proceeds from the Father...*

CHAPTER THREE

THE CITY OF THE LIVING GOD

Him that overcomes I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out. And I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is New Jerusalem, which come down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. Revelation 3:12

By reviewing this scripture, it can be easily understood that the city of God is a people.

True, most references to the word "city" are found to be literal text, but some of those same Hebrew and Greek words carry both the literal and figurative shades of meaning. Therefore, with context, setting, scope, and the usage of the character of the writing, some places in the word can allude to God's people being His City, *His holy habitation*.

In a number of places found in Psalms and Isaiah, *the city is a people*. Ezekiel, in his latter portion of writings makes mention of a city.

Between chapters 40-48 of Ezekiel's book we have a vision of the habitation of God which points to the holy city of Revelation chapters 21-22. Isaiah the prophet records this holy city in chapters 65-66 of his book. In some instances one could suddenly remember how clear the writing style of Isaiah is in comparison to John's record on the Isle of Patmos, for they share the same substance!

To further support the city as a people, notice the following verses

A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid Matthew 5:14

And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus Matthew 8:34

And every city or house divided against itself shall not stand Matthew 12:25

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God Ps. 46:4

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God Psalms 87:3

He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls. Proverbs 25:28

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Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city Isaiah 52:1

And they shall call thee the City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. Isaiah 60:14

For behold, I have made thee this day a defense city, and an iron pillar, and brazen walls against the whole land Jeremiah 1:18

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband Revelation 21:2

These scriptures will suffice for now

THE ZION OF GOD

But ye are come unto mount Zion [or Zion], the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem **Hebrews 12:22**

Zion is a people, a city of the living God. Zion is the city of David and is the place where David's tabernacle had dwelt. Zion is a term for Jerusalem and is a mountain, or higher place therein.

Zion is defined in the Hebrew as "tsiyown" taken from another Hebrew word meaning " a monument, guiding pillar, title, or waymark." Zion speaks of the present truth reality of the church, the holy city, the bride adorned for her husband as recorded in Revelation 21-22, and Isaiah 65-66. Zion is the highest peak in Jerusalem.

It reveals even more present truth of our ascendancy into the higher realms of the Spirit, the ascended LIFE, as all of mount Zion is in Jerusalem, but all of Jerusalem is not in mount Zion.

{Definitions taken from Strong's Exhaustive Concordance}

Zion speaks of a permanent capital, and reveals stability. It points back to the theme scripture text of Revelation 3:12, "becoming pillars in His temple."

Zion too, is spoken of as a people, especially in the old or first testament.

There is much recorded history of Zion, and much application of such history to the present day church. Therefore, receive any insights, which the Holy Spirit is willing to reveal to his people, for Zion then, serves the spiritual Zion, now. As confirmed in Hebrews 12:22, "We have come unto mount Zion [or Zion]," figurative of the glorious church, the hill of God, militant and triumphant indeed!

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The following is a list of scriptures, which indicate Zion as God's people.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great king. Psalms 48:1-2

***Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined. Psalms 50:2
But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which, he loved. Psalms 78:68***

His foundation is in the holy mountains. The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O City of God. Psalms 87:1-3

The Lord is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people. Psalms 99:2

When the Lord shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory. Psalms 102:16

They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abides forever. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even forever. Psalms 125:1-2

For the Lord hath chosen Zion. He hath desired it for his habitation. This is my rest forever: here will I dwell, for I have desired it. Psalms 132:13-14

Blessed be the Lord out of Zion, which dwell at Jerusalem. Praise you the Lord Psalms 135:21

The Lord shall reign forever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the Lord. Psalms 146:10

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise thy God, O Zion. Psalms 147:12

Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Psalms 149:2

I lay in Zion for a foundation of stone □ Isaiah 28:16

For as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children. Isaiah 66:8

Blow the trumpet in Zion □ Joel 2:1

For in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance □ Joel 2:32

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ZION, THE REALM OF THE KING OF KINGS, LORD OF LORDS

According to Hebrews 12:22-24, there are "8" new covenant realities that we partake of in Zion. Keep in mind, the Zion of the Spirit is the Church of the Living God today, as Jesus Christ reigns supreme over it. He is the head of the body, the preeminent one, and the one who stands *first and foremost thereof*. Yeshua the Messiah {Jesus Christ} is the highest order in the home, the church, and intercontinental societies at all time. He is the heavenly Aaron of Psalms 133. His oil is ever flowing from his Lordship onto his body. *He is the true King of his kingdom!*

Note the importance of the eight-fold realities of the new covenant Zion as eight is also symbolic of new beginnings □ [Alpha and Omega, or 1-800]

We have come unto □

- 1 - **Mount Zion** □ *The city of the Living God* □ 1 Corinthians 15:24-25
- 2 - **The heavenly Jerusalem** [as oppose to the earthly] □ Galatians 4:25-31
- 3 - **An innumerable company of angels** □ Revelation 4:8-11 [24-hr worship]
- 4- **The general assembly and the church of the first born** □ Eph. 1:10; Col. 1:18
- 5- **God the judge of all** □ Hebrews 6:2 [or, to a judge who is God of all]

6- **Spirits of just men made perfect** □ Rev. 6:9-11; Hebrews 10:38; Romans 1:17

7- **Jesus, the Mediator of a new covenant** □ Hebrews 8:6; 9:15; 1 Timothy 2:5

8- **The blood of Christ which speaks of better things than that of Abel's blood** □ Abel's blood cries out vengeance; Christ's blood cries out mercy □ *Colossians 1:20; Revelation 1:6; 12:11; 1 Peter 1:18-20*

Due to the interest of time, it is impossible to delve deeply into each of these areas. However, it is encouraged that you, the student of the word, invest quality time in these very important aspects of life that is found in the realm of Zion. For the church at large still lacks a foundational truth of this as a whole. It is thoroughly important that we become firmly established in present day truth. *2 Peter 1:12; Hebrews 1:1-2; 6:1-2; John 14:6*

In Spirit, this is the city Abraham had looked for. For in this city, the builder and maker thereof is the Lord God himself. He is the one that has established the path for Abraham to seek for *another place*.

We too, like Abraham, desire to enter into the reality of this God-given provision. Although the church is the Zion of God, still, there needs to be a quickening Spirit and a birthing of this truth in us. Otherwise, we will resort to the old order songs of the past such as, "*We're marching to Zion,*" from a futuristic standpoint.

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CHAPTER FOUR

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. John 14:2-3

*For the palace is not for man, but for the Lord God. 1 Chronicles 29:1
And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. Exodus 25:8*

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men □ Revelation 21:3

In all of the above scriptural references **God is speaking of a habitation for himself.** Unlike the popular doctrines of today which boasts only of a *future habitation* as large as day, with rooms for everyone in Beulah Land, the heavenly Father does not promote such a thing from man's context.

What we have done is promoted and promulgated that the dwelling place of the Lord is for future reference, while spending our years fighting, kicking, and screaming to stay alive in a world which carnality esteems as ruled by satan, with a flickering flame of victory left within the saints to endure and maintain the very best we can before we get to heaven.

Over the years the church world had adopted a theological disposition, which encompassed beliefs of every believer getting a mansion in heaven after the *big one*, meaning the *great zoom!* Incorporated in these beliefs were the notion that your mansion may be bigger or smaller, depending on your faithfulness to God on earth. And for some, their prayers were to send up some timber to heaven.

However, I would rather that you send your timber to the FAP International {lol} as we continue to facilitate a mighty anointing for the nations of the earth, and epicenter of kingdom instrumentations and technologies. *[Smile, it's good to have a sense of humor these days]*

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O Beloved, there is more he has in store for his own. There is something in the realm of the Spirit that he has purposed for the church or kingdom community to pioneer, and that is *"patience concerning the coming {appearing, and progressive unfolding} of the Lord."*

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience [we don't] for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. James 5:7

Whom the heavens must receive until the times of restitution [or restoration] of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began. Acts 3:21 [read also 1 Corinthians 15:25; Ephesians 4:13 till or until]

Because of the lack and neglect of the fruit of the *spirit of patience*, the church at large got into a hurry to *"Get the hell out of here!"*

Still, the presence of the Lord was yet speaking!

Because of fear and selfishness, the mansion theory became the sacred cow of many believers. For them, it was their blessed hope to earn enough brownie points with God for fear that they might miss *IT!* {Amos 5:18, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-10}

And if you attend most funeral services today, the presiding minister will probably reference John 14:2-3 with a sense of feeling and attaining this mansion only through good deeds before physical death.

All of this, because we became so intense on getting a habitation when in all truth, God the Father desires first and foremost, his holy habitation!

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The Mansions of God

The term "Mansions" in the Greek New Testament is pronounced **Mone {mo-nay}** and is defined as **"a staying, and an abiding residence" [the act or the place]** It is the same Greek word as found in verse 23 of John 14. Compare below both verses 3 and 23.

In my Father's house are many "mone" John 14:3

If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our "mone" [abode] with him. John 14:23

Now, keep in mind, the subject of John 14 was not about heaven, but a relationship.

And when you dig deeper into the subject of mansions, you will find that there is nothing in the word to indicate separate compartments in heaven, neither does it suggest a temporary resting on the road *Vine's Expository Dictionary*

We must compare scripture with scripture, challenging the motive of the heart, and understanding the mind of the Spirit. For the house is for the Father, not us! It is a habitation to be desired of the Lord, his dwelling and abode.

Did you get that?

It is the Father's house, not yours!

The palace is not for man, but for the Lord God, right? 1 Chronicles 29:1

The present truth principle throughout the entire written word is this, **"God comes down to dwell with man."** *John 1:14; Exodus 25:8-9*

This has been the Father's heart from the beginning. Man has attempted to reach into the heavenlies to get for his own a habitation, equating his own goodness on earth to the size of his mansion and golden condominium in heaven. But God, in his infinite wisdom, and for all along, has desired himself a holy habitation, the expansion of HIS mansion right here on earth. Man wants to go up, but God the Father wants to come down. Man wants to get out of here, but God wants to appear! *Malachi 3:1-3; 1 John 3:1-3*

If man's heart is illumined to present-day truth, he would also see that the habitation of Revelation 21-22 is NOW, not the same as tradition teaches. In truth, and in historical reference, the early saints believed that Revelation 21-22 is symbolic of a people, and entered in through much tribulation to press forward into the awesomeness of God desiring a habitation right here on earth...

Scriptural support for the habitation of God principle

The scriptures become alive and quickened within us as we discover the real meaning of what or who the habitation is.

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house from heaven: If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. 2 Corinthians 5:1-3

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together grows unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are built together for an habitation of God through the Spirit. Ephesians 2:19-22

You also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house □ *1 Peter 2:5*

The house is for the Father. He is the one desirous of habitation among us. He made first and foremost claim upon his holy house. [Isaiah 66:1]. He made us for HIS pleasure...

Now, Christ the Son of God has the key to the house or *habitation of David* as recorded in Revelation 3:7. This key is the authority or access to all that is inside the house. He has the authority or right to open and shut without the aid or assistance of man. He has complete and *absolute power* to access this abode. *Matthew 16:18-19*

In this principle, a door or realm into the wisdom and nature of God has been opened for us.

According to *John 10*, Jesus is the door to the sheepfold and has granted us pasture or a place of nourishment and rest. *Psalms 23:1-2; John 14:2-3*

This same principle is carried over to access to the Tree of Life in the midst of the paradise of God as recorded in *Revelation 2:7*, the very first promise of the overcomer. *2 Corinthians 12:1-4; Ephesians 2:18; 1 Corinthians 6:17*

In Him we LIVE, MOVE, and Have our BEING □ *Acts 17:28*

Now there are realms of glory that awaits us. There are dimensions of grace prepared for us to enter into, but the question is, "Are We Prepared?" Are we ready? 1 John 3:1-3

As the Father's house or habitation, this does not ignore the glorious realities of heaven as a real place. This does not abandon hope for eternity with the Father. But the kingdom perspective of habitation clearly suggest that there is more to becoming his house or abode than *waiting to get one some day when we physically expire on earth*. There is the fervent and unspeakable joy of preparing our hearts and homes for the fullness of his presence, IN earth as it is IN heaven. This passes beyond the scope of wanting to get something from God to the realm of *"Becoming More Like Him!"*

Now, what we are after here is the *becoming aspect*, even the apprehension of that which has already apprehended us, HIS LIFE! [Philippians 3:10]

We want dearly [not desperately] to be all that the Father has purposed us to be. We long to be where he is. But we won't find him in mere unilluminated resources, or solely in the great halls of higher learning. True, he is Omnipresent, but he is not confined, limited, or detained in these realms of learning.

As the Father's house, we can now be refreshed to the glorious truth that what the Father wants come *first and foremost*. He must increase, as we must decrease. Not our will, but yours, O Lord, be done. Your Kingdom has come and your will is being done right here IN earthen vessels.

Yes it has come and is revealed in stages, layers, and unfolding glory. The kingdom, which is the will of the Father, must become substance, a life-giving and life-changing nature. The kingdom must move from the ethereal, the immaterial, into shoe leather. The increase of HIS government and Peace shall have no end as the kingdom is not only expanded and advanced throughout the nations, but that the kingdom would ever increase and expand within us as well.

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CHAPTER FIVE

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES DEFINE THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teach, but which the Holy Ghost teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 1 Corinthians 2:13

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

All scripture is given by inspiration of God [God-breathed], and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 2 Timothy 3:16

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. 2 Peter 1:20-21

But the word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept [repeat]; line upon line [repeat]; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. Isaiah 28:13

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

And the scripture cannot be broken. John 10:35

Thy word is true from the beginning □ Psalms 119:160

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:32

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder [merismos] of soul and spirit [it makes a distinction whether you are in Adam [soul] or Christ [quickening spirit], and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

It is the spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are life. John 6:63

Quicken thou me according to thy word. Psalms 119:25

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In all truth, the word of God, the Holy Scriptures, or the bible as it is often called defines itself. It is its own interpreter, and need no extra-biblical source to validate its existence. It's beginning and origin is found in the heart and mind of God.

Though man has tried to grasp any and every nugget of truth contained therein by conventional wisdom and methods, the word of the Lord remains true from the beginning. Whatever reason mere man attempts to master this word of truth, apart from the Spirit of Truth he will avail to nothing. Though men have butchered the scriptures to *their own contention*, the Spirit of Truth remains in fact.

For you can interpret the scriptures from a strong opinion, or from a low self esteem, even from a hurried and frustrated life, but the according to John 10:35, "the scripture cannot be broken." No, not at all!

We can *dissect, critique, scrutinize, cross-examine, and thoroughly investigate* the scriptures from sunrise to sunset, but beloved, you cannot break the continuity and harmony of scripture. You can seek to decipher all *hidden codes and meanings*, master Hebrew and Greek, attend a four year seminary, memorize every chapter, quote thousands of scriptures, win all bible trivia contests, and still not alter the word from the beginning.

Meaning, you can alter the pages of the bible, rearrange words to fit your description, or to put things within your own account or context, but not the WORD from the beginning!

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In this chapter we shall give respect and acknowledgement for the need to value the authority of the word and the Spirit of the word from the beginning, and the encouraging need to stay in tune with the True source of all our Kingdom resource.

Now again, the Holy Scriptures defines itself. But is that to say there is no need to study or review other supplements to scripture? No! *God gave us intelligence and common sense, and it's really okay to use it in the context for which it is given for. There is nothing inherently wrong with biblical aids, which I thoroughly recommend, so long as they don't produce spiritual AIDS.*

You can collect all of the commentaries you wish, and that's really not a problem. The problem comes when we *fail to discern* the spirit of truth from the opinions of men, while building our foundation on their religious slant of the scripture. Meaning, we have failed to recognize *the higher priority* of the word, the Spirit of the word, and the Person of Truth, which is Jesus Christ, via, the Spirit of Truth which precedes from the Father.

All must become one within us in order for truth to prevail. You cannot simply build a work just to be building a work. without the work {working of the Spirit} being built in us by the Lord Himself. It must be built on the revelation of Lord Jesus Christ □ *Mt. 16:13-19* □ *2 Timothy 2:2*

We must always be open to his voice in others whom speak Truth. We can never evade responsibility, teachability, or accountability to the Spirit of Truth in others. We ought to be genuinely open for the Spirit of Truth to speak to us from his appointed ministries such as Ephesians 4:11. Therefore, truth is not alone on the pages, but in the hearts of those who are hearing and hungering after him.

We need to be open, honest, and trusting with the Heavenly Father to speak to us not only in personal and quiet time, but in the corporate anointing as well. *For there are some things the Holy Spirit may not reveal to you alone, but in the corporate and global grace of HIS body.*

And spiritual gifting alone never replaces divine government in HIS body. In truth, He set some in the church first apostles, secondarily prophets, and thirdly teachers after that. There is no after that unless the order is established and ordained by God, first things first 1 Corinthians 12:28. If there is no after that...then it becomes after-math...

So many present truth saints have become stickler to their orientation of the scripture, and have turned aside from submission unto a plurality of elders, with spurious claims that no one can ever teach them again, except the anointing of the Holy Spirit. With this as their premise, *along with a host of other objectives* of the same line of reasoning, it is no wonder we have so many *revelation kick groups*,

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splinter groups, Spirit-led groups, all huddling around the newest and exotic revelation of the week. With them, the more deep it sounds, the more spiritual you are. *"Unless the word revelation is mentioned, it's not worth the discussion!"* some might add or argue. And in all of our hurt, depression, rejection, isolationism, exclusivity, and fear we interpret the scriptures from such behavior. How sad!

Yes, we can delve deeply into scripture boasting in great giftedness, but our approach may sometimes become a reproach if our motive of the heart is not challenged to submit giftedness into HIS divine and Spiritual order for our lives, even if it means right revelation, right relocation, and right relationship

All in all, the word of the Lord remains true, is Truth like Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and forever. Whether or not our particular stance measures up to another, or whether or not our drive to be right becomes an ambition & personal quest for glory the Word remains the same, pre-fixed and pre-ordained revelation!

You can alter things we hear from one another concerning the word, re-translate the text to our own choosing, or deny the power of the word, but again, the Scripture cannot be broken, the Spirit of Truth cannot be extinguished. God's word is not bound or imprisoned. Ain't no stopping what can't be stopped! His counsel will stand, and He will do all of HIS pleasure...Isaiah 46:10-11

The Word Defines the Word

There will always be a discussion over the use of theology [whether systematic, historical, exegetical, covenant, practical, biblical, etc.]

Theology itself is the study or discourse of God. Theology is basically knowledge about God, and has had a significant place in the church for centuries. Theology is not a bad term when it remains consistent with the character of God and the continuity of his eternal purpose.

Also, theology in the purest sense can contribute to a wealth of learning opportunities as well throughout the corporate body of Christ.

So, whatever your *approach is*, make sure the character of God and his word are one and the same. Never use any method of learning that will separate the Spirit of the Lord from the word of the Lord.

Never avail yourself to any system of teaching that will make the word of God *of no affect*. Such could be the spirit of the *so-called founding forefathers* of your religious institution and system, which ascribe tongues as demonic. Or that which exclaims that hearing the voice of God is another way of getting an evil spirit.

When you subscribe to any system of learning, keep in mind that someone's values are also present. Like King Saul who requested that David should wear his armor [or reasoning], we need to be ever discerning across the board of what we are being fitted for regarding our whole *constitution*.

Again, all levels of learning carries a set of values. Some are more inclined to humanism, others to *pantheism*. Still, some are more inclined to racism while others are more so toward spiritism. Whatever the motivation and method, one can be receiving a transmission of beliefs from the *carnal commandments of men or from the Spirit of God*. And without sounding too alarming, real study implies what you are learning, and whom you are learning it from.

The following constitute study: the student, the teacher, the subject, and the agency and operation of the Holy Spirit.

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Now all of this has been shared to prepare you for the next chapters ahead. You may want to review chapters 1-5 again as chapters 6-7 references each scripture in Revelation chapters 21-22. Each verse will be treated with a kingdom principle to follow. Special commentary shall be given to encourage you to see the glory of the *New Jerusalem from a practical level, and not as something you will obtain after physical death*.

For the city is a people, it the habitation of God. It is as practical and relational as God's word is as a whole. Though given to John on the Isle of Patmos, its visions and revelations are for all times with the aim of Christ in Triumphant reign. For the book of Revelation is not a book that you merely talk about, but a book that we can actually walk about. It is a book, which reveals Christ in *triumphant glory*. It is a book, which celebrates the Lordship and Dominion of Jesus Christ

In truth, it is *the revelation of the person of Jesus Christ! And in truth, it had major application first in its earlier days, as now we live out the spiritual victory this book has won in the hearts of its earliest saints in the closing moment of the canon*

Meaning, The Revelation of Jesus Christ was not written for 1948, or 1999, or to be expounded from futuristic texts as a starting point. It is a word for all times, but was not to be addressed 2000 years only from John. Again, it is for all times, but remember, if there is a principle of the blowing of the last trump, then what was the first trump? What was the significance of the book of Revelation then? How is the book to be perceived, now? It had a chief importance for its writing in John's time, and thereafter. To elaborate on this more would take another book altogether, revealing the understanding of Daniel's 70th Week, 70 A.D., and beyond...

Continue on into the next chapter as we grow in grace, line upon and precept upon precept. This book is more than a treatise and synopsis of what the Holy City is in distant glory, but WHOM. This city is, YOU, beloved, the habitation of God, the city as a people, the global church in perfection and glory, revealed truth of the true identity of who, HIS global body is.

If more saints would open up {Open Heavens} themselves to Third Heaven Revelation, and characterize their lives from this glorious dimension, we would not be so apt to live frivolously from the fear of the future, or some cataclysmic outcome, some future demise, or some dispensational {sensational} conclusion. We would take on the substance and tangibility of HIS eternal presence invading time, living from the unseen, and not by the frailty of the carnal mind.

It is rather possible for one to receive in their carnal dictates, a supposed exotic revelation, when in truth we are not promoting some hyper-newfangled scheme of teaching to appeal to the fancy of our own emotions.

We are promulgating the substance and pure nature of the Christ, He who is to become ALL in ALL, until the image of God has flooded and taken over the earth. We perceive new calibrations in the Spirit, and new imminent changes in the realm of earth.

Therefore, we desire for ALL that HE IS and ALL that HE DOES! We want nothing less than the fullness of God in Christ. We desire and long to see the LIFE of the Father moving from the incorporeal {no body or substance} into the WORD made and manifested as flesh dwelling among us. We acknowledge the Incarnate Christ with the Pre-Carnate and Preexistence of the Word from the beginning. We cry Holy Habitation, much more than Visitation.

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CHAPTER SIX

PRINCIPLES OF THE NEW JERUSALEM

PART 1

Thus says the Lord, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that you build unto me? And where is the place of my rest? Isaiah 66:1

*And the name of the city from that day shall be, The Lord is there {Jehovah Shammah}. Ezekiel 48:35
[last verse in Ezekiel, last verse of his temple vision]*

For he looked for a city, which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Hebrews 11:10

Nevertheless the foundation of God stands sure...2 Timothy 2:19

Which is his body, the fullness of him that fills all in all. Ephesians 1:23

In whom you are built together for a habitation of God through the Spirit. Ephesians 2:20

And I John saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. Revelation 21:2

Before we continue with the referencing of each verse in Revelation 21-22, please take a few moments to first review these last few chapters. Afterwards, sit down with your bible open **{moving from bible Trivia to Spiritual Travail}** and read these same verses again with the supplement of this book. Take time and read slowly, comparing your thoughts with those given in this *lesson*.

Begin with prayer, adoration and worship. Open yourself up to the voice of the Holy Spirit, as he is not only able, but also willing to share his heart with you and to make all grace abound to you, having all sufficiency in HIM...

Begin to see the beauty of the corporate saints in perfection and glory, and examine the *scriptures with the intent on knowing who you are HIS HOLY CITY*.

We do not have to list each scripture for you in its entirety. However, we will indicate by number what scripture you are to read. Then, you may compare thoughts on these as well. I trust you will be richly blessed and edified by these lessons.

Though it comes from a different platform or forum than what many of you are not accustomed to, you are entitled to an alternate view of this subject without disturbing the original meaning and intent of God therein. *Let's hear what the Spirit is saying to his assemblies*

1 - The new heaven and the new earth is connected to the principle of 2 Peter 3:10. Here, the elements are burning with fervent heat. The elements here is the elementary rudiments and fundamentals of men, whom, in *Proverbs 1:22 love simplicity*. Such mindset is outer court bound, and refuses to advance beyond *adolescence into adulthood*. The old heaven and earth is not merely the physical substance that we behold with our natural eyes, but the way we perceive with our heart & mind. For the passing away of the old is a way of thinking, first!

This truth further reveals that God is a consuming fire as recorded in *Hebrews 12:26-29*. This restoration by fire carries both the restorations back to his purpose through a divine process. This fire here is a purifying fire, a fire that changes one into another form. Like the fire upon the believers in Acts 2, so is there a consuming fire to purify us unto his glory. It will bring purification to present unto Christ in glorification.

There is a shaking in the heavens and in the earth. Whatever there is that can be shaken shall be removed. Like the wheat and the chaff, one will blow away with the wind, and the other shall return to earth to be harvested. One shall be taken, the other left. This beloved, is the present truth! 1 Corinthians 3:12-15; Isaiah 35:3-10:

2 - The holy city is a people. It comes down out of the *intangible to the tangible*, the *invisible to the visible*, and the *unseen to the seen*. The truth of the holy city is becoming a present reality, a substance and pure nature. It is coming into manifestation and clarity.

The eyes of our understanding are being flooded with light. This can also be confirmed by the three-fold mirror of the new testament which is [1] *1 Corinthians 13:12*, seeing through a glass darkly, [2] *2 Corinthians 3:18*, beholding in the glass the glory of the Lord, being changed into the same image from glory to glory, from conception to perfection, from the cross to the throne, from the outer court to the holy of holies, [3] *James 1:23-25*, thus, becoming doers or performers of the word as we behold the need for change.

This city, the church in perfection and glory, is being adorned, prepared to rule in the fullness of eternity with the Lamb as his bride. Though his Bride, we are also HIS SON, and must mature into the reality of it. We must progressively develop into a *fuller relationship with the Lamb and to follow the Lamb wherever He goes* Revelation 14:1-5

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3 - The great voice began in the Garden of Eden in Genesis 3. This is also the first mention of the word "voice" as it is last mentioned here in the New Jerusalem. This means that the voice of the Lord and the habitation of God are connected with the same. God the Father is not speaking into thin air. He has a people who really know his voice, and a stranger they will not follow or respond to.

Now, this voice is also considered a sound. The sound principle is connected with *Numbers 10:1-10* of the four-fold purpose of the trumpets, *1 Corinthians 14:6-8* of the need for certainty in the sound,

and in *Acts chapter 2* with the sound of a rushing mighty wind. One of the vital keys to living life as a Holy City and habitation of God is in *the knowing and responding to his voice!*

4 - The former things are passed away, such as the mentalities of sorrow, sickness, and sadness which are mere distractions to say the least. In the fullness {Perception is reality} of the bride, there is a display of awesome victory over these factors. These things were never to have dominion over us. For in the words of Paul the Apostle, "*O death where is thy sting, O grave, where is thy victory?*" *1 Corinthians 15, 2 Corinthians the fifth chapter {chapter 5}*.

5 - The throne is the seat of his authority, the place of his power. It is liken to the Ark and Mercy seat of the Most Holy Place, the realm of the hundred-fold overcomer. We are there with HIM, live, move, and have our being. Therefore, we are a Throne-Room People, living in an ascended life, the high places of the earth, and eating from the heritage of Jacob, who was transformed into Israel

6 - Jesus is the A-Z, the Alpha and the Omega, the 1-800 of God. He is the fountain of the Water of Life to those who thirst. *John 4:5-26; Matthew 5:6*

7 - Those who subdue, conquer, prevail, and get the victory in all things shall inherit all things. From Revelation 2-3, the 7-fold promise of the overcomer is at reach. *Hebrew 4:15; 1 John 4:17; John 16:33; Romans 8:37...More than conquerors...*

8 - Among many, there are prevailing attitudes of the *Second Death Mentality* especially in 1st & 2nd Day camps. However, such things mentioned have been cast into darkness. For we are not of the night, but of the day. We do not live by some lower nature but the higher LIFE of ascendancy in Christ. Because we are one with him, an evil spirit could never find you, as you are rooted {His offspring} and HIDDEN in Him, His interwoven tapestry, Hidden in Christ.

So cast off the old sin conscience that only ministers death and condemnation. Puts on the new man which, can only minister life and peace. *2 Corinthians 5:17. Move from SIN to SON, and for a number of us, we may simply need a little SUN, too, on the natural application, to live, and to enjoy life on a daily practical level...*

9 - The Spirit of the Lord is calling for a *mature bride, not a fling or some one-night stand, one, a bride which is now ready to make a loving commitment to be the Lamb's wife.*

For you can be physically married and lack much maturity. You can still treat the wife like a *piece of meat*, or the husband like a sugar daddy, and lack maturity in the basic social skills of relationship. *Many are married, and many others are marred. Just drop the letter "I" from married, and what you have left is "Marred!" Jeremiah 33:11*

10 - Compare this Jerusalem with the one in John 4 that the woman at the well mentioned. Is this the same Jerusalem? No! For one is from above, the other from below. One genders strife, the other LIFE...

11 - The glory of God is the life of this city, yes YOU, His corporate Habitation. Everything in it reveals a pulsating life from the nature of Christ. It too, is the glory of the latter house in *Haggai 2:6-9*.

12 - We shall go on to verse 12. Verse 12 holds special interests with me, as it speaks of the 12 gates of the city.

The 12 gates of the city are connected with the 12 tribes of Israel. The number 12 speak of government and divine order. These 12 sons of Israel are also prophetic of 12 important experiences in the life of the saints. For 12 is also the number of foundation as in the 12 apostles, the 12 stones upon the breastplate of judgment, the 12 manner of fruit, and Jesus at the age of 12.

THE ENTRANCE INTO THE HOLY CITY THROUGH THE NUMBER 12

Let's look back at the foundation of this city by defining the names of the 12 original sons of Jacob. Keep in mind, Jacob was created, but Israel was formed. *Isaiah 43:1*

- *Reuben* - behold the son [BEN, a son, builder of the family name]. This principle speaks of the new birth {or re-birth} and the beholding the Lord Jesus Christ in one other. *2 Cor.5:17; 1 John 3:1-3*

- *Simeon* - hearing, he who hears; The principle here is obedience, he who hears and obey. Also, this aspect of maturity reveals hearing by the Spirit. *Isaiah 11:3* [He that has ears to hear let him hear what the Spirit says unto the assemblies]

- *Levi* - union, twined, joined adhesive and attached: This level of maturity speaks of being joined to the Lord as one spirit. This is the oneness principle. *1 Corinthians 6:17, 19, 20*

- *Judah* - to praise, revere the Lord, worship with extended hands. {When you praise Him, you raise Him} Judas also means praise. One is praise of the heart, the other praise of the head. One portray Christ, the other betrays him. One is of the Spirit, the other by mental assent and flesh. *John 7:37-39*

- *Zebulun* - habitation [to be desired]: this speaks of the habitation of the Spirit of God, which we are. Praise or Judah often creates a habitation of the Spirit. *Eph. 2:22*

- *Issachar* - reward, hired, payment of contract, compensation, benefit, and price: We are his reward and he is our reward. As taken from the old Pentecostal phrase, "We are sold out to Him!" Yet, we cannot be sold or bought by any other...Genesis 15:1

- *Dan* - to judge, umpire, execute, judgment, even to minister judgment: Dan speaks of righteous judgment. This is judgment from a new nature, a New Man. John 7:24; Matthew 7:1-5; Romans 8:1-4

- *Gad* - a troop or good fortune; to crowd upon, attack, invade, overcome, assemble by troops, army, band of men armed and prepared. This speaks of **G.A.D. or God's Army of Destiny**. This also speaks of the manifestation of the sons of God. Romans 8:19, a predestined {pre-destiny} troop which is coming forth!

- *Asher* - happy; to be level or straight, or right; to go forward, be honest, prosper; blessed: This level of maturity speaks of the fullness of joy, and the kingdom being joy in the Holy Ghost. Psalms 16:11

- *Naphtali* - wrestling; from a root meaning "to twine or struggle." This level of progressive spiritual maturity speaks of the armor of God and fighting the good fight of faith. Ephesians 6 and 1 Timothy 6:12. It also speaks of Jacob's transformation as he wrestled all night with a man {or angel} in Genesis as the day was about to break. Jacob was experiencing a sort of identity crisis, as the Lord was to transform Jacob to Israel, or, "HE shall rule as God!"

- *Joseph* - let him add or augment, to continue to do a thing: This speaks of the increase of God and the abundant life. Also, of a preserver of life {Joseph company}. Ephesians 4:16; John 3:30; Is. 9:7; Luke. 2:52

- *Benjamin [or, Benjamenistry]* - the son of the right hand. This is the realm of the overcomer in Revelation 3:11 and 21:7. Benjamenistry is the man-child overcoming company of Revelation 12. Apparently, the least of the tribes, but remember, the first shall be last and the last shall be first...

[Note: Benoni was the name given by Rachel before her death. Benjamin was the name given by Jacob or Israel.

Benoni means " **son of my sorrow,**" and reveals the principle of the kingdom of darkness marked by sorrow and sadness. Such sad and sorrowful nature had to pass, making way for the overcomer, the son of the right hand. Like Zecharias, Elizabeth's husband, he affirmed the name of his son John, named his seed, prophesied over his seed, and gave his seed an assignment. It's important in what and why. For a name denotes a nature

13 - The entrance into the city has four sides with three gates each. The number "4" is the number of earth and speaks of the 4 corners, 4 gospels, and N.E.W.S. [or good news]

14 - The city has foundations. Every believer needs a foundation; Hebrews 6:1-2. Without it, there can be no city. The 12 Apostles speaks of the need for assemblies having apostles today as a functional part of HIS body

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From apostolic revelation, apostolic recognition, apostolic regeneration, apostolic council, apostolic receiving and releasing, apostolic anointing, authority, and agenda of HIS Spirit, into apostolic destiny, this too, points to *Ephesians 2:20*... Therefore, the apostle is vital to restoring the church from visitation to habitation. *Their ministry is "This Is That!"*

15 - The golden reed speaks of gold as divine nature, whose measuring is by divine design. Ephesians 4:13; Revelation 11:1; {Ezekiel 40-48} . For we are partakers of His divine nature, 1 Peter 1:3-4

16 - The city is a cube, and we are to comprehend with all saints the breadth, length, depth, and height thereof. *Ephesians 3:18* [compare to the holy of holies]

17 - The 144 cubits speak of the 12 tribes of the first testament times the 12 apostles of the second testament which, equals to the revelation of the holy city in both testaments. *Ezekiel 40-48; Acts 3:21; Ephesians 3:5; Isaiah 60:18; Exodus 28:20* [12x12= 144]

18 - The jasper is a translucent stone of various colors, especially that of fire. The city is pure gold, which is symbolic of divine nature. This pure gold is clear as crystal symbolizing transparency: for we have nothing to hide. Ezekiel 1, *Exodus 28:20*

19-20 - The foundations of the city are garnished or adorned with all manner of precious stones. These stones speaks of the saints as lively stones in 1 Peter 2:5. The stones point to the 12 stones upon the breastplate of judgment as worn by the priests of old. The stones are costly...

21 - The twelve gates are twelve pearls, as the pearl of great price. A pearl is something not easily found. There is a considerable depth of degree to obtain these pearls. The principle speaks of paying a price. It will cost you something...nay, everything to press through the pearly gates of testing, trial, and tribulation. Straight is the gate and narrow is the way. *John 12:25; Matthew 7:6; 13:46*...

22 - The Lord God almighty and the Lamb are the temple of the city. This speaks of the Melchisedec realm of King-Priest or Priest-King Ministry, the Lion and the Lamb together. Everything about the life of the saints should be full of the character and pure nature of Christ, as we build first on the Lamb before the Lion. David may be a man of war, but Solomon {Peace} builds the house.

For though we have a weapon in one hand, there is a tool in the other. Both natures co-exist. Both balance the other, as iron sharpens iron. Note: Melchisedec is defined as Righteous King, and is the

Priest of the most high, which was in Salem... {Gen. 14:18}; Col. 2:10, 19; Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:15
{Meditate on this!}

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23 - The glory of the Lamb far exceeds the glory of the sun [Sunday morning Fellowship] and the glory of the moon [Evening and Mid-week Fellowship]. For his manifest presence is not confined to buildings or special services. Whether Miracle Night, Youth Night, Watch Night, Silent Night, or Shout Night, the glory of the Lamb is even greater. 1 Chronicles 17:5 [From glory to glory, conception to perfection, from tent to temple]

24 - Others around the globe shall come into the revelation that the Holy City is the church in perfection and glory, the bride adorned for her husband. *John 10:16. It is a bride with many glorious colors, from all walks of LIFE, a people all over the earth...*

25-26 - The gates from Reuben [beholding the son] to Benjamin [son of the right hand] shall be open continually. There shall be no more night or obscurity concerning the habitation of God. Men and women from far and near shall witness the church as the New Jerusalem, the city set on a hill which cannot be hid. The precious stones of this city shall be the various races, ethnics, and cultures from around the world. The ethnics shall share in the inheritance of the glorious church, the city of God, the tabernacle of the most high. **The nations are coming! The nations are coming!** *Isaiah 2-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-7*

27 - There shall be no defilement, abomination in this city. The perfection of the church shall take us from speaking and living a falsehood to abounding truth. For honesty is the ability not to lie to others, but maturity is the ability not to lie to ourselves. *John 14:6*

NOTES

Please provide your notes, thoughts, and personal observations in this section of your study time. Remember study is much more than reading, it is a way of life. It is diligence, the opposite of slothfulness. It wouldn't hurt to have the Berean spirit in diligently researching and comparing the scriptures, as the word calls this in Acts 17:11 a noble thing. Note below

These were noble or fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness {of mind}, and searched the Scriptures daily {to find out} whether those things were so.
Acts 17:11

Imagine someone putting all of his or her energy to disprove or belittle truth. Well beloved, it's your appointed season to dig deeper, and to ascend higher. Energy is simply transferred, whether used for good or not. Put your {HIS} energy to work in your life and **S.T.U.D.Y. or Searching Teachability, Understanding, Doers, and Yielding** forth the Word of the Lord from within you, moving from the

resident word, to the President Word, Presiding Authority, and Glory □ HIS authority and person abiding in you, in Jesus name...

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Revelation Chapter 22

1 - The pure river is the flowing life as witnessed from...

- the belly - 30 fold - the prophetic streams from within - righteousness □ John. 7:38

- the temple - 60 fold - the priestly streams from within - peace - Ezekiel 47

- the throne - 100 fold - the kingly streams from within - joy - Rev. 22:1

All of this is in Colossians 1:27, *Christ In You!*"

Also, Psalms 46:4...There is a river...[pure, with no mixture]

The river or water can also be the word, the *living word*. The Lamb on the throne can speak of the heavenly Aaron of Psalms 133:1. For where his Lordship is, his anointing will flow abundantly. Everything that he is will find itself ebbing out of his headship into the rest of his body. As he is, so are we. We are the life of Christ in the earth, and Christ is the life of God the Father. *Acts 17:28; Colossians 2:19;*

He is the True Vine, and we are the branches. For Spirit begets spirit, and Life begets life, and your spirit never forgets an atmosphere Therefore, let us drink from the living water, becoming wells of life to those who are thirsting for him!

2 - The street is not plural, but singular. It is one street, one walk, and one way. In this dimension of maturity Jesus is the tree of Life bearing fruit. And because we are one with Christ, we shall dispense healing to the nations. *Psalms 1:3; Isaiah 61:1-3; Ezek. 47:12*

3 - There shall be no more accursed [Kathathema] thing, i.e. Jezebel, Achan, Uzziah, Gehazi, Korah, Balaam, Simon the Sorcerer, and Judas. The curse is broken and destroyed, even in the natural {Familial} and supernatural {Spiritual, Unseen hindrances} dimension. All deep rooted fear and phobias, fear of failure, fear of future, fear of relationships, fear of accomplishments, fear of launching out, fear of business, fear of solving problems, and fear of life itself, are brought to utter desolation as there is no fear in love, but perfect love {Christ himself} casts out all fear...

4 - Here we have the Mark of the Lord or the Mind of Christ. *Philippians 2:1-11; Revelation 14:1; 1 Corinthians 2:16.*

5 - Read verse 23 of chapter 21. You will find that the Lord is the True light of the City. His light is not the sun of the outer court [30 fold], or the candlesticks of the priests in the holy place [60 fold], but is the glory of the holy of holies, the Shekinah of God from the most holy place [100 fold].

6 - The angel of the holy prophets is simply the message of the prophets from old. *Acts 3:21; Ephesians 3:5; Romans 16:25; Revelations 10:7; Amos 3:7*

7 - This speaks of a quick work in a short time: Revelation 3:11...In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye...*1 Corinthians 15:51-54. [Progressive and instant; 2 Corinthians 3:18]*

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8-9 - This scripture reveals our attitude in worship. Worship is also "*worth-ship*," the ascribing of worth. We worship the living God, not the messenger or message.

10 - Don't seal up the message of prophecy. Let the message flow and take course.

11 - If this was an after death heaven situation, why then is the scripture alluding to the unjust and filthy? Should not all be perfect and immortal at this moment by view of the literal text of things? *1 Peter 1:15-16* *Beloved, this glorious reality is NOW faith! This is a state of mind, and being...*

12 - God the Father is a rewarder of faithfulness [the fruit of faith, which he is after]. As a recipient of such reward, our timing may be different than another, and our season may not be the same as others. Therefore, know for a certainty that your faithfulness to God shall be rewarded by him, in time and in due season, for he is faithful that promised. *Hebrews 11:6; Lamentations 3:22-24*

13 - Jesus Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the Author and Finisher, the Leader and Completer. If he has started something in your life, he will finish it! *Phil. 1:6; Hebrews 12:2*

14 - Obedience is the key to the entering in of the gates of the city. Today, many saints are on the "*Bless Me Kick*," gravitating to preachers and churches where you can "come get your blessing!" The "*Bless Me Realm*" has become quite a lucrative industry as more folk are now seeking for "presents, but not the Father's presence!"

However, you can be blessed all you want to and be out of order. But if you submit to God's order for your life, you can't help but to be richly blessed! Bear in mind, God does blesses according to HIS plan, and in all things. We are acknowledging His blessings to the work of the Lord in our life, as He is faithful that promised...

{Read James 4:7 to confirm this very same kingdom principle}

15 - Outside the habitation of God through the Spirit are...

Dogs - *Philippians 3:2* - hound dogs {Ain't Nothing But A...}

Sorcerers - Spiritual Pharmacist - pharmaceutically inclined to be medicated for all things

Enchanters - Seducers, entices, bewitching, etc.

Whoremongers - pornos; to sell, male prostitute, dressed to kill, etc.

Murderers - is taking or marring of one's life. Even a murderous tongue: To mar happiness

Idolaters - image worshippers, the sin of the mind against God: 1 Cor. 6:9

16 - Here, God will always have a messenger to proclaim His message.

The testifier will be one, which bears witness of the sender, like John did with Jesus, even as the Holy Spirit testified of Christ. For in this realm of maturity, you will not speak of yourself, but of the one who sent you. The same in father □ son spiritual order, you don't minister out of your gifting, you minister out of your sonship □ *John 14:26; 15:26; 16:13-14*

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17 - The Spirit cannot say "come" without the Bride no more can the Bride say "come" without the Spirit.

It is oneness with the Spirit and the Bride that produces out of their union. It is the two becoming one for completion of divine purpose. One does not speak without the other, as Spirit gives birth to spirit. Thus, the Spirit and the Bride say "come." *{The Two Witness Principle} □ Same as father to son □ word and spirit, priest and king, apostle and prophet, husband and wife...*

18-19 - Those that particularly add and take away from the book are those who claim to know it in the confines of their finite thinking, unilluminated by HIS revealing Spirit. Again, this is nothing more than the *Tree of Knowledge*. [Independence from God] of Good and Evil as oppose to the Tree of Life which is dependence ON the Lord, IN the Lord, connected to the streams of LIFE in the vine...

20 - This speaks of a quick work in a short time. Also, add, the Quickening...

21 - Jesus is the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the Creation of God. Revelation 3:14.

He is the Alpha, Bread of life, Chief Corner, Door, Emmanuel, Faithful, Good Shepherd, Holy, IAM, Jehovah, King of kings Lord of lords, Master, Nourisher, Omega Prince of Peace, Quickening Spirit, Redeemer, Savior, Teacher, Upholder, Victor, Way, X-pressed image of the Father, Yeah, and Zion!

From A-Z, {1-800}- Jesus Christ is Lord!

This is just a brief review of the scriptures on the New *Jerusalem*. While reading them along with the scriptures, you may want to jot down your own questions or comments. Please feel free to do so. Keep in mind, this is simply a practical look at the holy city, the church in perfection and glory, not merely some futuristic text.

Other views concerning the habitation of God will eventually arise, but whatever you hear, stay consistent with the eternal purpose of this city being a people, HIS habitation to be Desired of HIM. The scripture cannot be broken, and God has something in mind bigger than a literal city. *For again, the city is a people!*

This section's ending can be used for your personal notes, thoughts, and observations. There is much more to the unfolding glory of this Holy City than what we have once been taught. Please remember, you are comparing the brief anointedly given commentary or notes here with each verse of Revelation chapter 21-22.

And you are encouraged to expand and to increase without measure unto His good pleasure

I pray that we become seasoned into a bold new destiny, as the Holy City is YOU.

We are HIS habitation, to be desired, a habitation through the Spirit, a people of transparency and pureness.

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CHAPTER SEVEN

PRINCIPLES OF THE NEW JERUSALEM

PART 2

The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts. Haggai 2:9

The previous chapters were laced with revelatory comments and observations of Revelation 21-22.

The purpose of this is to quicken your heart towards the presence and person of our risen Lord, the Ancient of Days, the Wool and Hoary head of the Lord. Later on in this chapter we shall go a step further from the author's comments by linking each verse of *Revelation 21-22* with an Old Testament reference.

After reviewing this, you will be given the task to investigate and compare the second testament scriptures with those of the first. You will have the distinct joy and privilege of the word of God

coming alive in your spirit, answering your many questions as you generate even more questions to ask. *Meaning, growing can be fun!*

For now, let's look at the original definition of Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, "**Yeruwshalayim [ye-roo-shaw-lah-yim]**" is defined as "founded peaceful. In it contains principles regarding peace...*John 14:27; Isaiah 26:3; Philippians 4:7; Galatians 5:22; Romans 5:1; 14:17; Isaiah 9:7*

From a new covenant emphasis we find two very important aspects of peace.

Romans 5:1

1- Peace with God: This means we are no longer in hostile disposition against God, for we have been justified by faith. This peace is an earmark and relevant feature of HIS Kingdom. It gets us into the operation of the kingdom of God □ but □

Philippians 4:7

2- Peace of God: This aspect of peace is the fruit of the spirit and the rule of Christ's kingdom reign in the lives of men. More than just peace with God, it is the character and nature of God's Holy Spirit. It is the umpire, which calls the shots.

It is the living and abiding presence of God at work in us. Instead of having peace, peace has us! It is harmonious relationship with God, and is a precious mark of maturity in the saints. This realm of peace is confirmed by *Isaiah 26:3* which is perfect peace [literally, peace, peace]. Such peace comes when our minds are stayed on him. *Colossians 3:1-3*

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Continuing on from the original Hebrew, Jerusalem yields some considerably important word definitions as follows...

Yarah [yara] means to flow as water [i.e. to rain]; to lay or throw [especially an arrow, i.e. to shoot]; figuratively it means, "to point out as by aiming the finger, to teach, direct, inform, and instruct." All of this in principle makes up Jerusalem, *the city of peace.*

Shalam means "to be safe [in mind, body, and estate]; figuratively "to be [causative, make] completed; by implying to be friendly, to reciprocate, make amends, [make an] end, finish, full, give again, make good, [re] pay [again], make [to] [be at] peace [-able] that is perfect, perform, [make] prosper [-ous], recompense, requite, make restitution, *restore [Acts 3:21], reward surely.*"

In these two word parts of Jerusalem we found much present day truth unfolding.

In the New Testament Greek "Hierusalem" is defined as the Capital City of Palestine." Capital meaning "chief and principal, as Wisdom, the builder of the church and the home being the principal thing...*Proverbs 4:7; 9:1*

Jerusalem contains a rich history, and has become a target of controversy over *eschatologists*. Nevertheless, Jerusalem remains today a major center of religious and political activity. Jerusalem, in name and nature, was purposed to be a city of peace.

Many scriptures in the old and new covenant have been considered as tools for evangelizing the natural Jew. Many scholars today continue to acknowledge Jerusalem as the future headquarters of Christ's kingdom. Though I am not a dispensationalist, [I really don't like to be classified by anything but the grace and favor of our Lord Jesus Christ] I can appreciate every noble effort of men and women abroad to help witness the gospel of the kingdom to the ethnic Jew.

So I say to you all, continue to preach to the Jew and the Gentile, although in Christ, again IN-CHRIST, He has one body, and together all drink into ONE SPIRIT. Continue to witness Yeshua the Messiah here and overseas. Continue to take the gospel of the kingdom to the nations that Jesus is the savior of the whole world.

Continue reaching the Middle Eastern cultures as the laws of the land permit. And continue to exalt Christ over all the earth as a testimony of his loving kindness and tender mercies to all of mankind. Preached the Resurrection of Christ over the nations, and HIS exalted throne-ship and dominion in all of the earth...Preach the Finished Work and the Done Deal.

But beloved, keep the nationalistic pride and arrogant smug out of your efforts from either end. Stop making the church the parenthetical plan of God, as if we were an afterthought in the mind of God. Stop assuming that our only purpose here is catered to the one ethnic nation. There is much more on the arising. God in Christ is declaring **ONE NEW MAN**, so making peace in the words of Paul the apostle.

The ONENESS of God is revealing ONE plan of Salvation, one purpose, ONENESS in HIS divine intention. The error of Schofield, Darby, Larkin, etc., has caused division in the church concerning the church and Israel. Apostles of the Spirit, such as Paul, and others, has confirmed that God is not the author of confusion, but of PEACE...

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Just a quick note...

There are three important features of the holy city as seen from Revelation 3:12...

1 - The City is Spiritual: of the spiritual realm, supernatural in origin, not made by man

2 - The City is Heavenly: of the heavenly realm [Isaiah 66:1], not earthly, James 3:14-18

3 - The City is Eternal: built to last, everlasting, not temporal. Heb. 11:10; 2 Cor. 5:1-2

[I do have a separate section of the exegetic of verse 12 from many years ago]

More Kingdom Principles of the New Jerusalem...

This section is a bit different from the rest of this book. It is designed for the serious student of the word, and for those who are hungering and thirsting after the Father. It would be greatly encouraged to begin preparing your heart to compare scripture with scripture, particularly the *first and second covenants*.

Key Reference to the Old Covenant

[each number is a verse]

Chapter 21

1. **Compare** to *Isaiah 65:17 and 66:22;*
2. **Compare** to *Nehemiah 11:1; Isaiah 1:26; 48:2; 52:1; Jeremiah 3:17*
3. **Compare** to *Exodus 25:8; Ezekiel 37:27; Genesis 28:15; Exodus 33:14*

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4. **Compare** to *Isaiah 25:8; 35:10*
5. **Compare** to *Isaiah 42:9; 43:19; 48:6; 65:17*
6. **Compare** to *Micah 5:2; Ezekiel 47:1; Zechariah 14:8; Isaiah 49:10; 55:1*

7. **Compare** to *Exodus 15:1-18*
8. **Compare** to *Isaiah 30:33; Tophet - Hebrew meaning "a smiting, i.e. [fig.] of contempt - tabret. (Compare to Daniel 3:1-7; Ezekiel 28)*
9. **Compare** to *Jeremiah 33:11; Isaiah 62:5*

10. **Compare** to *Ezekiel 40:2*
11. **Compare** to *Exodus 24:17; 40:34; 1 Kings 8:11; Psalms 19:1*
12. **Compare** to *Ezekiel 48:30-35*
13. **Compare** to *Psalms 24:3-4; Isaiah 26:2*

14. **Compare** to *Ezra 6:3*
15. **Compare** to *Ezekiel 40:5; 40:20*
16. **Compare** to *Ezekiel 43:10-12; Exodus 25:8*
17. **Compare** to *Genesis 6:16; Exodus 37:1; Deuteronomy 3:11; Isaiah 62:6*

18. Compare to *Exodus 28:20; 39:13; Ezekiel 28:13*

19-20. Compare to *1 Kings 10:2; 2 Chronicles 29:2; Proverbs 17:8; Daniel 11:38*

21. Compare to *Job 28:18*

22. Compare to *Genesis 17:1*

23. Compare to *Isaiah 24:23; 60:1, 19; Psalms 27:1; 84:11; Micah 7:8; Ex. 24:17; 40:34*

24. Compare to *Psalms 22:27; 86:9; Isaiah 60:3; Daniel 7:14; Hosea 2:23*

25. Compare to *Isaiah 26:2; Psalms 24:3-4; 91:10; Isaiah 32:18*

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26. Compare to *Isaiah 9:2; 60:1-11*

27. Compare to *Numbers 14:23, 30; Ezekiel 28:13-19; Isaiah 14:12-22; Genesis 3:24*

So far so good! You are now beginning to examine the New Jerusalem in reference to Old Testament witnesses. For the first testament is the second one contained, and the second one is the first one explained. Thank God for the continuity and harmony of scripture, which cannot be broken. *John 10:35*

KEY REFERENCE TO THE OLD COVENANT

CHAPTER 22

1. Compare to *Genesis 2:9-10; Psalms 36:8; Isaiah 48:18; Ezekiel 47:1-9; Zechariah 14:8; Psalms 45:1*

2. Compare to *Ezekiel 47:12; Exodus 15:25;*

3. Read **Deuteronomy the 28th** chapter where you will find the blessings of obedience.

4. Compare to *Psalms 17:15; Isaiah 33:17; Ezekiel 9:4*

5. Compare to *Genesis 1:2; Habakkuk 3:3-4; Isaiah 60:20; Daniel 12:3*

6. Compare to *Numbers 16:28; Isaiah 48:16; Jeremiah 25:4; Zechariah 2:8; Amos 3:7; Deuteronomy 29:29*

7. Compare to *Job 2:11, 31; Zephaniah 1:14; Malachi 4:1; Isaiah 1:19*

8. Compare to *Isaiah 6, Ezekiel 10, and read Ezekiel 37:1*

9. Compare to *1 Chronicles 16:29; Psalms 95:6*

10. Compare to *Daniel 8:26; 12:4, 9*

11. Compare to *Ezra 9:11; Psalms 53:3 and read Daniel 12:10 and Hosea 10:12*

12. Compare to *Genesis 15:1; Psalms 19:9, 11; Isaiah 58:11; 62:11; Jeremiah 31:16*

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13. Compare to *Isaiah 46:10; Micah 5:2*
14. Compare to *Exodus 19:5; Deuteronomy 5:29; Genesis 3:22; Proverbs 3:18; 11:30*
15. Compare to *Psalms 11:5; 32:10; 37:17; 75:10; Proverbs 28:1; Isa. 65:14; Mal. 3:18*

16. Compare to *Daniel 2:22; Isaiah 11:1-3, 10; Numbers 24:17; Isaiah 9:2*

17. Compare to *Isaiah 62:5; Jeremiah 33:11; Isaiah 55:1; Psalms 36:8*
18. Compare to *Deuteronomy 12:32; Proverbs 30:6*
19. Compare to *Deuteronomy 4:2*

20. Compare to *Obadiah verse 15, Zephaniah 1:14; Psalms 96:13; Ecclesiastes 3:17*

21. Compare to *Psalms 84:11; Zechariah 12:10*

Beloved, there is more that we can reference in the Old Testament, but let this suffice for now. {Thanks Brother Tim!} [A sigh of relief for some potential students of the word who may want to stop and say good day or good night to the whole scenario of things here...smile, not mile...]

I hope that this segment of sharing was encouraging to you.

We shall continue in other volumes the present truth principles of habitation. We shall cover in time, some insights into Ezra's temple and Nehemiah's gates, the garden of Eden, the Tabernacle of Moses, the Tabernacle of David, the Temple of Solomon, Ezekiel's vision temple, the body of Christ, etc.

As we stop for now, please take the time to thank the Holy Spirit for the engagement of such study today. Please consider acknowledging his *presence* a bit more as this also helps to aid in our study.

For you would be surprised at the masses of believers who irreverently open and shut their bibles at any whim. Yes, many would even approach the holy scriptures as a past time, a chore, and even as something to think about around the holiday cheer.

But beloved, let us continue to enjoy the *marvelous benefits* of anointed study in passionate pursuit through HIS presence, for again, study involves more than just reading. It takes on the transmission from the Holy Spirit, the saints, to those **whom God would have to impart LIFE and IMMORTALITY through the preaching of the gospel** □ 2 Timothy 1:10

Study in the new covenant is defined as **"diligence."** Now how often do you find yourself diligently seeking the Lord in accordance to his word?

How often are we diligent in spiritual matters, especially when compared to the busy workday, the daily household chores, and the evening bores?

Though we tend to pride ourselves of getting to know God through much bible reading, did you know that one can search the scriptures all day for Christ, yet never going to Christ himself? For John 5:39-40 confirms this, as many know about him, yet never ever knowing him personally.

Are we so busy taking away years from our life or are we putting back life into our years?

Beloved let us return back to the person of the Lord and get a renewed respect for his character, nature, and living word. Let us return to the **Ancient Paths of Jeremiah 6:16** and discover what true rest for the soul really is. Study is really an awesome thing when we are renewed and restored in the manifest presence of the Lord. For we have come to learn that the Word of God [Jesus Christ] is one with his word [scriptures] □ Jesus is the Higher revelation □

Let Christ be revealed!

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also PAYPAL on the FAP website, but remember too, the web site is currently under re-construction and revision. Please be patient in the process...

As Dr. Early always says, "Feed the Seed and Nurture the Nature, For by Divine Enlightenment U R becoming what you already are." Apostolic Blessings {Philippians 4:15-19} to all, and know that you are highly Flavored in the Lord!"

The FAP International - Ephesians 2:20-22;

Ephesians 4:11-16, 1 Corinthians 12:28

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