Come, I Will Show You

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In Revelation 21, we come with the Apostle John and are shown the greatness of our <u>LIFE FOREVER</u> with Jesus.



Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

⁹ One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

The Second Coming of Jesus will fully reveal that the BRIDE of Christ is the WIFE of the Lamb.

¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. ¹¹ It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

The rare and brilliant glory of the New Jerusalem expresses the complete <u>COMMUNION</u> with God that can only be known in part this side of eternity.

¹² It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. ¹³ There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west. ¹⁴ The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.
²¹ The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of gold, as pure as transparent glass.

From its humble roots of the 12 sons of Jacob, the <u>CITY OF GOD</u> rises magnificently, displaying the fullness of God's people, brought together in Christ alone.

²²I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.

"Before that light-giving presence the great lights of the first creation grow pale and meaningless, like our lamps at sunrise. God's glory, manifested in the Lamb, is now wholly and forever 'THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD' (John 8:12)."

²⁵ On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. ²⁶ The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. ²⁷ Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

The gates of God's eternal city no longer need to shut out His enemies, for they will all be destroyed. On that great eternal Day, we will only know the glory of the Lamb, who has written our NAMES in His book of life.