

Revelation study – Home series – 4-28-2011

Reviewing - Before Finishing Chapters 21 - 22

Last session we went over the New Jerusalem that comes from God to settle upon a mountain that will rise up in Jerusalem. The mountain rises up. The city comes down.

Something of physical substance comes from God, a Spirit realm, to set upon this earth. A spiritual realm materializing into physical. THAT is something!!!

Yet we do have one other example. It is our own theophany materializing around the word we hold in our heart, then at God's time, takes on a new glorified body, or in contrast, this body being glorified.

The comparison is just continuing, as we, in our glorified bodies are the dwelling place of Christ during the millennium.

This, in turn is a materialization of the many scriptures we have already looked at showing us as, not only His temple, but as a building. And we have supernaturally entered Jerusalem which is above.

HEBREWS 12:22 *But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,*

23 *To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,*

24 *And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.*

REVELATION 21:27 *And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.*

Read Rev. 22:1 – 2

Water of life: Ez 47:1-7 / Joel 3:18 / Zech 13:1, 14:8 - 9/

REVELATION 22:3 *And there shall be no more **curse**: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his **servants** shall serve him:*

CURSE: Gen 3:17 *And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: **cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;***

SERVANTS: REVELATION 6:9 *And when he had opened the **fifth seal**, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:*

10 *And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?*

11 *And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow**servants** also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.*

REVELATION 7:2 *And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,*

3 *Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed **the servants of our God** in their foreheads.*

4 *And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel*

REVELATION 22:4 *And they shall see his face; and **his name shall be in their foreheads.***

REVELATION 14:1 *And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having **his Father's name written in their foreheads.***

*REVELATION 3:12 12 Him that overcometh will 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 cometh down out of heaven from my God: **and I will write upon him my new name.***

REVELATION 22:5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

See Rev 21:23,25 /

ISAIAH 60:18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.

Remember the walls were garnished with the birthstones of the apostles and the gates were each a pearl. [21:21] Remember how pearls are formed? Just think what Israel has gone through.

19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.

20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

21 Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

1044-Q-324 324. If standing in line to get into church is going to be only a memory, what is going to happen if we are not going through the tribulation? Are we to see some suffering? If we're not to see...

See? I... This question is probably this. I'm trying to hurry; I--I--I oughtn't to do this. Ought to lay these back, 'cause there's a place you could stay on it a hour (See?) and it--just tear it down. I'll--I'll stop.

Look. The people are wanting to say that, thinking that they--the church is going to hit the tribulation. See? It won't; It can't (See?), because It's already redeemed.

HERE IS ONE GROUP at tribulation time:

Now, the church, the nominal believers like Lot, he's going through the tribulation period (See?) and be saved as if it was by fire. Noah went through the tribulation period, carried above it, come out with Ham who polluted the earth again. See? Lot came out, his own daughters slept with him, and had children by his own daughters. See?

HERE IS ANOTHER GROUP

But Abraham brought forth the Royal Seed, brought forth the Seed of the promise. Enoch went to glory in the rapture, just took a walk and went home. He never went through the tribulation period. You see?

There you are. See? It does not, the Bible cannot by a type... And the types can't fail. See? It does not predict that the Bride... **Now, the church will go through the tribulation period.**

1045-232 Now, the people say, "What about the early saints?" That was the changing of the dispensations. That was under persecution, which if you was here to hear this church ages, and to see how they went out into that darkness and had to do that, then that shows where they had to take that persecution, because each one of the church ages and everything begin to show that they went darker and darker, till they

finally went to a complete place that they denied His Name and picked up another name that they lived and were dead: Sardis. [Rev 3:1] And then it come on out, Thyatira [Rev 2:18] and Sardis, and then come out-- then it begin to come out to Philadelphia [Rev 3:7] and so forth, and then come to the time of the calling out of the Bride which was to escape all the damnation. It counted worthy to escape all this damnation and wrath that's to come upon the earth, that you might be counted worthy to escape it, not go through it, escape it. See? Do you understand now, everybody? See?

REVELATION 3:10 *Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.*

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"I will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." This verse is not a declaration that the true church will go into and through the tribulation. If it meant that it would have said that. But it said, *"I will keep thee from the hour of temptation."* This temptation is exactly like the temptation in Eden. It will be a very inviting proposition held up in direct opposition to God's commanded Word, and yet from the standpoint of human reasoning it will be so very right, so enlightening and life-giving as to fool the world.

Only the very elect will not be fooled. The temptation will come as follows. The ecumenical move that has started on what seems such a beautiful and blessed principle (fulfilling Christ's prayer that we all might be one) becomes so strong politically that she bears pressure upon the government to cause all to join with her either directly or through adherence to principles enacted into law so

that no people will be recognized as actual churches unless under direct or indirect domination of this council. Little groups will lose charters, privileges, etc., until they lose all property and spiritual rights with the people.

For example, right now unless the local ministerial association approves in many, if not most cities, one cannot rent a building for religious services. To become chaplains in the armed services, hospitals, etc., it is now almost mandatory to be recognized as acceptable to the trinitarian ecumenical groups. As this pressure increases, and it will, it will be harder to resist, for to resist is to lose privilege. And so many will be tempted to go along, for they will feel it is better to serve God publicly in the framework of this organization than not to serve God at all publicly. But they err. To believe the devil's lie is to serve Satan, even though you may want to call him Jehovah. But the elect will not be deceived.

VIEW EPISODE ONE "GOD IN AMERICA"
The Catholic church in New Mexico

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2_ JEFF.IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E

1045-233 The church, the lukewarm, [Rev. 3:15-16] (the anything outside of the elected Bride) will go through the tribulation period. They will not raise in the first resurrection: "The rest of the dead lived not for a thousand years," [Rev 20:5] just the foreordained, predestinated, elected Bride, God's own elections. "Who is it, Brother Branham?" I don't know? I can't tell you who it is, but I know it's going to be there, 'cause the Lord said they would. See? They are the ones that'll go up from the tribulation, but the rest of them will go through the tribulation, go down, and everything will be killed before the millennium. Then the--the righteous shall come out in the millennium and live a thousand years.

FELLOWSHIP.THROUGH.THE.RECONCILIATION.OF.THE.BLOOD_ 55-0605

E-58 Now, I'd say this, as a servant of the Lord, I believe that it could happen at any time. **Total annihilation**, it could start at any time. Look, as the days of Noah... **That's how they threw the world out of its bounds in the days Noah.** When they built the pyramids, the sphinx, and so forth. We couldn't build it today if we had to. Gasoline power, electric power won't build it. But **atomic power** will.

So they could turn it loose, and shock the world from its orbit. And it being hot went out and caused moisture that covered the whole earth. **This time He's going to blow it into the sun.** Just exactly, scientifically, right across the center the way God said it would happen.

FATHER.THE.HOUR.HAS.COME_ CHICAGO.IL TUESDAY_ 56-1002A

E-57 Brothers, the time has come. We're in the last day. We're in the atomic age. **The time has come that they got a weapon that can shake this world from its orbit in five minutes time into the sun and cause a total annihilation.** They couldn't have done that before. But **the time has come. Amen**

THE.IMPERSONATION.OF.CHRISTIANITY_ JEFF.IN 57-0120M

E-69 And you're on the basis of free moral agency. You can turn this down or you can accept it. To turn it down is to be lost and remain potash, and calcium, and petroleum. But to accept it, and to have a new heart, a new spirit, and His Spirit, part of the Logos in you controlling your emotions... And when He coos through His Word, you coo back and answer to Him. "Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, today, and forever..."

"Amen, Lord."

"I'm the Lord that healeth all thy diseases."

"Amen, Lord."

How much more will He raise you up, though your bodies be blown from east to the west by the winds, how much more can this Holy Spirit after the **total annihilation** by this atomic bomb that's going to drop on this earth one of these days, blowing holes, and scattering out through the space... But the calcium and potash will remain here. And then the Holy Spirit brood again, every bone will go to bone; every limb will go to limb. And there'll be a Church of the living God stand up in the last days.

MALACHI 4:1 *For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.*

2 *But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.*

3 *And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.*

4 ¶ *Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.*

5 *Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:*

6 *And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.*

THE.PATMOS.VISION_ JEFF.IN ROJC 69-130 SUNDAY_ 60-1204E

131 Now, John was transmitted from the Isle of Patmos, in the Spirit, over into the Lord's day. This is the day of man, men are fighting, but the day of the Lord will come when these kingdoms will become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, then there'll be the great millennium. The Lord's day, the day of His coming, His judgment, that'll be the Lord's day.

This is the day of man; that's the reason they slam you around and do what they want to with you, but there'll be a time... Call you... They call you now holy-roller and fanatic, but there'll be a time come (See?), that they won't do that. They'll scream and wail and fall at your feet. The Bible said, Malachi 4, you'll even walk out on the ashes after they're burnt up: leave them neither root nor branch. That's exactly what the Bible says; "The righteous shall walk upon the ashes of the wicked." That's exactly. They'll not be left root or branch, nothing to come back to. And they'll be done.

Now, this is a man's day, man's doings, man's works, man's church, man's ideas, but the day of the Lord is coming.

BIRTH.PAINS_ PHOENIX.AZ V-3 N-4 SUNDAY_ 65-0124

.... 129 Said, "Then what did you go out to see, a prophet? And I say unto you, more than a prophet. For if you can receive it, this is he who was spoken of by the prophet, saying, 'I'll send My messenger before My face, to prepare the way.'" That's Malachi 3:1.

130 Not Malachi 4, at all. That's a different. Cause, that Elijah come, the world is to be burnt immediately, and the righteous walk out on the ashes of the wicked

And after the thousand years, then the great white throne judgment comes, and then the dead, both right and wrong is raised. And the books are opened, and the Book of Life was open; and the saints, the Wife and the Husband, set and judge the world.

DANIEL 7:9 *I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.*

10 *A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.*

I CORINTHIANS 6:1 *Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?*

2 *Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?*

3 *Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?*

REVELATION 20:11 *And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.*

12 *And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.*

13 *And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.*

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

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[And there it comes to pass the saying: "And He'll judge all nations with a rod of iron." All nations shall stand before Him there, and He'll judge them with the rod of iron. [Psalm 2:8-9/Rev 2:26/12:5/19:15] He'll separate the sheep from the goats and say to the goats, "Depart," and the sheeps, "Come, ye blessed of My Father." [See below]

MATTHEW 25:31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:

1045-235 Now then, there will be a camp meeting of the saints upon the breadth of the earth. [Rev 20:9] And Satan is loosed out of his prison and goes to make war again with the saints, [Rev 20:7-8] just exactly what he done in glory to begin with. And then God rains fire and brimstone out of the heavens, [Rev 20:10] and the whole earth is removed like... It just burn up and destroyed. And there's no more sea [Rev 21:1], no more water, no more nothing left on the earth. Volcanic will spray and burst and blow, and the whole thing...

"And I saw a new heavens and a new earth: for the first heavens and the first earth was passed away; and there was no more sea. I, John, saw the holy city descending from God out of heaven as a Bride adorned for her husband." [Rev 21:2] [Remember it? And in this Bride... "Behold the Tabernacle of God is with men," [Rev 21:3] and God shall

dwell with them upon this pyramid-shaped city fifteen hundred square miles. [Rev 21:16] And in the top of the city there'll be a Light. [Rev 21:23] Amen.

Oh, that city on Mount Zion,
As a stranger, yet I love it still.
I'll meet you in them ages,
When I reach that city on the hill.

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1046-237 On top of Mount Zion will set the Lamb. [Rev 21:22] And the city will need no light, for the Lamb is the Light thereof. [Rev 21:23] And above the Lamb will be the Father, which is the Logos, God, the great Light, the eternal Light that'll shine just above the throne. And Jesus will not be on His Father's throne, He'll be on His throne. And the Father will hover over the Son, which the Father and Son will be One. "And while they are yet speaking, I'll answer. Before they can think, I'm thinking for them." That's right.

And Jesus will commit a perfect, perfect age to a--the perfect living God, that He has redeemed and give over to the Father. Is that right? Will turn to God the Father which is Spirit, not a man, Spirit. [I Cor 15:24 – 28] All nature of goodness gathered together, that's God. And in goodness... Now, anything perverted from good is evil; that's Satan's kingdom. All good belongs to God. All evil belongs...

1046-239 And then God became material in a Man called Jesus Christ which was His Son. [II Cor 5:19] This Son gave His Life that He might bring other sons, [Heb 2:9-15] that God might become tangible, working in all in all. [Col 3:11] "In that day you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father in Me, I in you and you in Me." [John 14:10, 20]

Oh, brother, that'll be a real day. You won't have to join--drive over from Birmingham to hear the Message; the Message will be right with us then, won't it? Oh, it'll be a wonderful, wonderful time. We're looking for that day; God hasten it to come.

That great city setting there (Now, see?), it will not... You think, "Fifteen hundred miles high?" That's what the Bible said. Now, it will not be fifteen hundred miles right straight up like that. See? We have another geographic measure that all sides are equal; that's a pyramid. See?

And the city will start probably about a sixty degree. And if it starts, fifteen hundred miles of that, just think how high that will be, but how long it'll take to be there. You'll hardly know you're walking up the hill. For fifteen hundred miles high at a sixty degree, you're just about like this. See? And the city's all on this hill. And it's just as high as it is long; it's just as long as it is wide. The height, by the depth, by the breadth, it--it's equal; all the walls are equal. A pyramid has four walls, and these four walls will be...

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1047-243 Now, the walls around the city will be--be 216 feet tall, 144 cubits, [Rev 21:17] and each one of them is a stone. Just think of that city, friends. Oh, my. What--what do we set here in this hot place? What do we do these things? Why do we drive like that? Why do we--why do we toil? It's worth every inch of the way.

Oh, the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When I get to the end of the way.
That's right. And, oh, what a time that'll be.

1047-244 And there Jesus will set on the throne. And out from under the throne will flow the river of Life, [Rev 22:1] trickling down these four walls into little chasms, and into little branches, and come form up a river, and down through by the city. It'll go right down through the streets like that, and

on each side stands the trees of Life that'll bear --or change their fruit every--every thirty days. [Rev 22:2] Oh, what a city.

And remember, God, the Creator, that created the heavens and earth, is in glory right now preparing that city. [John 14:2] Abraham looked for it. [Heb 11:10] He left his home; he separated everything that was dear to him and looking for... Why? He was a prophet. And being a prophet, he was connected with the Spirit and part of the Spirit. And Something told him within him, "There is a city," and he started looking for it. Said, "I'm a pilgrim, a stranger. [Heb 11:13] I'm looking for a city whose Builder and Maker is God." [Heb 11:10] He knowed that city was somewhere. Oh, my. And I believe that right on the grounds where he looked for it, right there in Palestine, there's where it'll raise up, for it's on Mount Zion. There's where she'll be.

ZECHARIAH 14:3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

ISAIAH 11:9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

ISAIAH 65:25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD

Look where she'll stretch out into the--into the sea, from sea to sea. Think of that fifteen hundred mile city setting out there on the mountains of the Lord. Oh, that'd be wonderful.

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1048-247 And the lion and the lamb shall lay down together. The lion will eat straw like the bullock. [Is 65:25] And the bear will be gentle, and the wolf will be tame. What a time it will be. Nothing shall hurt or destroy; everything will be in peace and love. There'll be no more old age; there'll be no more sickness, no more dying.

Folks, this is not some Santa Claus story, some mythical something; it's written in the Word. And never has the Word failed. And to think of the very promise of... Not back in the Bible day, but in this day, the day that God--today. Not one iota has ever failed of His Word. Oh, I'm bound for that city. I love it, don't you?

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Back to the book of Revelation.

Read chapter 22:6 to 11

End of session

Next time – the final verses

And questions and (hopefully) answers.