



THE THREAD

weaving Sunday's message through the week

Date: September 4, 2022

Theme: The New Jerusalem

Passage: Revelation 21:9–27

The New Jerusalem displays God's design for the future of those loyal to Him.

1. New Jerusalem's Appearance (9–14):
 - a. Shines with God's Brilliant Glory
 - b. Narrates God's Salvation Plan
2. New Jerusalem's Measurements and Material (15–21):
 - a. Point to God's Perfection
 - b. Adorn His dwelling with beauty and grandeur
3. New Jerusalem's Inhabitants (22–27):
 - a. Require no temple because God and the Lamb are present
 - b. Need no sun and moon because God and the Lamb are light
 - c. Consist of all peoples who walk in light and worship God
 - d. Wrestle no more with sin because they possess the Lamb's holiness and life

Main Challenge: Our eyes must look to God's city.

Application Questions:

- What is something you have seen or experienced that simply amazes you? Why do you find it so amazing?
- Why do you think God chooses to reveal his final place with his faithful followers as the vision of a city?
- What details of the city stand out to you? What things are missing from a description of a city? How does the city reveal God, and what does this city teach us about God?
- In what ways does vision transform from what John anticipated in 21:9 to what he sees in 21:10ff? What does this teach us about our relationship with God?
- Why would John bring up impurity, sin, and deceit in v. 27?
- What relevance does New Jerusalem have to your present life?

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