

December 31st – No More Night

*“There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.”
(Rev. 22:5)*

I can't say that I understand very many of the complexities of cosmology or space, but I do know this – the earth rotates on its axis over a period of 24 hours. Depending on where you live, that rotation means that you get more or less sunlight. Where I live, across the seasons we average about 12 hours of sunlight each day and 12 hours of darkness. Of course, we know the Lord set this course in order at the beginning of time. The light He called day and the darkness He called night (Gen. 1:5).

While night and rest are a necessary part of the human condition, the Bible tells us that there will be no more night in heaven. But how can that be? Because “the Lord God gives them light.” How does He do that? John also answers that question – “The glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light” (Rev. 21:23). Jesus will reign from His throne in heaven, and His radiant glory will drive away any hint of darkness. In heaven, there will be no literal darkness or spiritual darkness.

Not only that, but the Bible tells us about many others things that won't be in heaven. There will be no sorrow in heaven. There will be no death in heaven. There will be no sickness in heaven. There will be no separation in heaven. There will be no fatigue, no hunger, and no poverty. In that place where the streets are paved with gold and the walls are made of jasper, we will never lack anything as we worship our Risen Savior Jesus. “Even so, come Lord Jesus!” (Rev. 22:20)