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3. The eternal city of God will be symbolic of God in what three ways?

a. His eternal Omniscient Presence

b. His eternal Omnipotent presence

c. His eternal promise of no separation

4. The announcement Behold the Tabernacle of God in chapter twenty-one and verse three means what three things to us?

a. The tabernacle of God which is in heaven will be moved to the new earth.

b. The tabernacle of God which is in heaven will be a place for three things.

1. A place for the law of God – symbolic of the ten commandments of God.

2. A place of new life of God – Symbolic of Aaron's budding Rod.

3. A place of fulfillment of God's provisions and promise. The jar of manna.

c. The tabernacle of God which is in heaven will never be moved again.

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5. The former things will be no more in this new land of God.

Revelation 21:4 (NKJV)

⁴ And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

a. If you have ever wondered when God will wipe away all our tears and pain this will be the time according to scripture.

a. No more tears

b. No more pain

c. No more fears

d. No more separation

b. The former things will not be considered or remembered any longer.

Isaiah 43:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ "Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old.

6. Just as the environment will be perfect so shall also be man.

a. It will be a place of perfectness for man.

1. New body

2. New life

3. New Hope

4. New eternity without the old nature.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NKJV)

¹⁶ All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

7. There will not be no sin nature.

a. There will be no nature of Adam.

1 Corinthians 15:22 (NKJV)

²² For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

1 Cro. 15 : 38 – 58 – 1 Cor. 2 : 9 - Rom. 6 : 10 – 23 – Rom. 9 : 8

8. The church will be a complete body.

Ephesians 2:19-22 (NKJV)

19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner *stone*,

21 in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,

22 in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

a. No longer Pilgrims in a foreign land.

Hebrews 11:13 (NKJV)

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced *them* and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

b. But a chosen generation to live and rule with God forever.

1 Peter 2:9-10 (NKJV)

⁹ But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

¹⁰ who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

1. Operating in the completeness of our,

a. Gifts – **1 Cor. 12 : 1 – 31**

b. Wisdom – **Col. 1 : 9 – Col. 1 : 28 – Eph. 1 : 8 – Col. 3 : 16**
James 1 ; 5

c. Patience – **James – 1 : 4**

d. Fruit of the Spirit – **Gal. 5 : 22 – 23**

e. Holiness – **Heb. 12 : 14 – Heb. 12 : 10 – 1 Thess. 3 : 13**
1 Thess. 4 : 7 - 11 Cor. 7 : 1 – Eph. 4 : 24

f. Joy – **Jude 1 : 24 – 11 John 1 : 12 – 1 John 1 : 4 – 1 Pet. 4 : 13 –**
1 Thess. 2 : 19

g. Peace – **Rom. 5 : 1 – 3 – 11 John 1 : 3 – 11 Pet. 3 : 14**

h. Love – **Jude 1 : 2 – Jude 1 : 21 – 1 John 4 : 7 – 10 – James 1 : 12**
Phil. 2 : 1 – 2 – 11 Cor. 13 : 11 – 14 – 11 Cor. 6 : 6

9. How do we know these things will come about?

- a. God promises are true.
- b. His word is everlasting

Isaiah 25:8 (NKJV)

⁸ He will swallow up death forever, And the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken.

Isaiah 35:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, And sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isaiah 51:11 (NKJV)

¹¹ So the ransomed of the LORD shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; Sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isaiah 60:20-22 (NKJV)

²⁰ Your sun shall no longer go down, Nor shall your moon withdraw itself; For the LORD will be your everlasting light, And the days of your mourning shall be ended.

²¹ Also your people *shall* all *be* righteous; They shall inherit the land forever, The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, That I may be glorified.

²² A little one shall become a thousand, And a small one a strong nation. I, the LORD, will hasten it in its time."

Isaiah 65:19 (NKJV)

¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem, And joy in My people; The voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, Nor the voice of crying.

- c. In the Greek alphabet Alpha is the first letter which means - the beginning
- d. In the Greek alphabet Omega is the last letter which means - the end

10. John says, He that sits upon the throne finely speaks and declares three things.

Revelation 21:5 (NKJV)

⁵ Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."

- a. The word Behold means to make a great announcement.
 - 1. Behold I make all things New
 - 2. Behold write these things
 - 3. Behold these words are not only faithful but also true.
- b. God assures these things in three ways.

1. God Himself assures these things. - **1Thess. 5 : 24**

2. God words assures these things. - **Matt. 5 : 18**

3. God sovereignty assures these things. – **11 Tim. 2 : 13**

Rev. 7 : 17 – 11 Cor. 4 : 17 – 1 Pet. 4 : 12 – 13 - Isiah 25 : 8

Isaiah 35 : 10 – Isaiah 51 : 11 – Isaiah 60 : 20 – Isiah 65 : 19

Ps. 146 : 6 - 1 King 8 : 56 – 1 Cor. 1 : 9 – Luke 21 : 33 – Ps. 111 :17

11. Mans greatest enemy has been destroyed.

1 Corinthians 15:26 (NKJV)

²⁶ The last enemy *that* will be destroyed *is* death.

- a. No more tears
- b. No more stress
- c. No more worrying
- d. No more fear

1. For death has been put away forever and ever.

Revelation 21:6 (NKJV)

⁶ And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.

12. The term, I will give of the fountain of water of life freely to him who thirsts means.

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- a. We have been commanded by God to thirst after Him and His Life.

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Exodus 20:1-6 (NKJV)

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying:

² "I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ³ You shall have no other gods before Me. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness *of anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth; ⁵ you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth *generations* of those who hate Me, ⁶ but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

Matthew 5:1-11 (NKJV)

¹ And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. ² Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

³ "Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed *are* those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

⁵ Blessed *are* the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

⁷ Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

⁸ Blessed *are* the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

⁹ Blessed *are* the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

13. To thirst after life means.

- a. To thirst after He that is the giver and taker of life.

Job 1:21-22 (NKJV)

²¹ And he said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD." ²² In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.

- b. To thirst after the life God has for us

Romans 14:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

- c. To thirst after the Son of God, The Lord Jesus Christ who is the living water of life.

John 7:37 (NKJV)

³⁷ On the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

John 14:6 (NKJV)

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 4:9-16 (NKJV)

⁹ Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? ¹² Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" ¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again,¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

John 7:38 (NKJV)

³⁸ He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

- d. To thirst after eternal life.

John 10:28 (NKJV)

²⁸ And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

John 17:2 (NKJV)

² as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.

1 John 5:13-14 (NKJV)

¹³ These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may *continue to* believe in the name of the Son of God.

14. To thirst after life means.

a. Only those who seek will find.

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

b. Only those who endure will find.

Matthew 24:13 (NKJV)

¹³ But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

c. Only those who become will find. Matt. 18 : 3

Matthew 18:3 (NKJV)

³ and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

15. John is speaking of the future kingdom of heaven.

a. One to be longed after.

Revelation 21:6-7 (NKJV)

⁶ And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.

⁷ He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

a. When you see the term the kingdom of God which is used 68 times in 10 of the New Testament books, it is in reference to God sovereignty power to rule and reign over all of His creation.

b. The term kingdom of heaven is only used 32 times and mostly by Matthew because of the audience to who he was writing the Jews.

1. It is a interchangeable term referring to God and Heaven.

2. The Jews had a high respect for speaking or even writing the name of God so Matthew wrote with a interchangeable term covering both heaven and God and His sovran authority.

c. John is using the same terminology when he says, It is done, meaning a future event to come or happen.

1. All is done -meaning set into place to happen or be.

16. The very life and utopia for which man has longed for and failed to achieve without God is a real and coming place for those who endure in their faith.

a. John gives us two types of people.

1. The overcomers in faith.

Revelation 21:6-10 (NKJV)

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⁷ He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

2. Those who failed at faith.

Revelation 21:8 (NKJV)

8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

b. John says only those who overcome by faith will inherit the new coming Kingdom.

1. Prepared for those who thirst and hunger after God.

2. Prepared for those who overcome this world and its desires.

a. The word overcomes means,

1. to conquer

2. to prevail

3. to subdue

4. to get the victory over

a. it is the meaning of, to get success

2. Paul called the believers who lived by faith more than a conqueror.

Romans 8:37 (NKJV)

³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

17. John also warns those who fail at their faith, there is an eternity waiting for them also.

a. The eternity of the lake of fire

b. John gives us a small list of failing faith.

Revelation 21:8-9 (NKJV)

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1. To take the grace of God in vain is also a failing faith.

Romans 6:1-4 (NKJV)

¹ What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? ² Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? ³ Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

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1. By fire
2. It was corrupt and evil
3. His eternal omniscient presence
 - His eternal omnipotent presence
 - His eternal promise of no separation
4. Moved from heaven
 - A place for the law
 - A place for new life
 - A place of fulfilled provisions and promises
 - Never to be moved again