

HE IS COMING QUICKLY!

Quickly = without delay, it's a now word - so for today, everything needs to be considered permanent and active, similar to how we abide in Jesus currently

He is, He was and He is to come = shows us everything written is unfolding and ongoing

Also, as we read Revelation 21 & 22 - let go of thinking in the natural when hearing these words completely. When the Bride and Temple is described, keep in mind this is not about a temple built with walls and human hands. Only Jesus forms the Body of Christ with saved souls - we are the Temple, you and me we are the bricks and mortar or in this case... the foundation, the light which shines within and without, the precious stones described as the building and in this building Jesus abides upon the throne of the temple. When we abide in HIM, He shines forth within us as we make up this unprecedented temple - which comes down to Earth from Heaven.

He tells us the time is at hand, He says He is coming quickly... If we were purely supernatural beings void of flesh, who sees like Jesus does right now - we could see this temple made up of pure and undefiled believers being formed by His hand.

John was given this vision and he wrote it down so we could partake in what he was shown.

It says and the spirit and the bride say come... We too are announcing right now to others in unity with the spirit as His bride - telling people to come and enter into the presence of our Lord Jesus and tabernacle with Him, to drink freely of Him life giving water and to only eat of the tree of life which sits in the midst of the temple. Those who do His commandments are greatly blessed. His commandments - not the law of religious men who place burdens upon others no one can uphold. Jesus told us He would teach us His feasts His way - not how man has required or said they are to be, He also said He would put His laws written upon our hearts, again... not how man has written them - but His way according to His will we shall all keep His commands.

His temple, His bride that comes down from the Heavens is untainted, untouched and undefiled by man. I love that.

What prompted this study? Burdens - in my life, in the World, bad news and evil rising.... our souls in need of a reminder of His hope and glory that is promised and attainable today, in this moment. So He instructed me Revelation 21 & 22 - which is where we will be in the Word today, deviating a little off the path of any sort of carnality discussions.

Jesus is knocking on the very door of our hearts right now, this moment - every moment. So today when we study we are going to say yes and amen - receive it for today and as a promise for what is to come.

Just to be sure we are all on the same page... 2 Timothy 4 needs reviewed:

I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the **time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;** ⁴ **and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.** ⁵ But you be watchful in all things, **endure afflictions**, do the work of an

evangelist, fulfill your ministry. ⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Finally, **there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.**⁹ Be diligent to come to me quickly...

Again - quickly is without delay. Paul knew his time here on Earth was coming to a close and we are getting ready to read how Jesus knowing His time in Heaven before His final return is coming to a close, we will ready how He is pleading with people to enter into His Temple, as He is coming quickly - without delay, to make all things new - which He is doing right now in us. John was shown a final time when all is finished - complete, perfectly undone and done in which nothing could be altered ever again. Right now, we can choose but any time past this point, no one can choose, it is complete and final, unaltered.

Revelation 21 -

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. ² Then I, [Ⓜ]John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, **"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.** 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."**

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."

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. 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."

The New Jerusalem

⁹ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came [Ⓜ]to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you **the** [Ⓜ]**bride, the Lamb's wife."** ¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the [Ⓜ]**great city, the** [Ⓜ]**holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,** ¹¹ having the **glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone,** like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. ¹² Also she had a great and high wall with **twelve** gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are *the names* of the **twelve tribes of the children** of Israel: ¹³ three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west.

TWELVE IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT IS A REFLECTION OF DIVINE ADMINISTRATION – something that has been risen to a place of superiority or high ranking ability

¹⁴ Now the wall of the city had **twelve foundations**, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. ¹⁵ And he who talked with me had a gold reed to measure the city, its gates, and its wall. ¹⁶ The city is laid out as a square; its length is as great as its breadth. And he measured the city with the reed: twelve thousand furlongs. Its length, breadth, and height are equal. ¹⁷ Then he measured its **wall: one hundred and forty-four cubits**, according to the measure of a man, that is, of an angel. ¹⁸ The construction of its wall was of jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass. ¹⁹ The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds of precious stones: the first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, ²⁰ the fifth sardonyx, the sixth sardius, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst. ²¹ The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

(I don't feel comfortable sharing most of what the Lord has given me about the 144,000 – but notice here the spiritual wall of the Bride of Christ measures exactly 144 cubits. And there are 12 gates, who are the 12 tribes as well as 12 foundations, etc... - 12 x 12 totals 144 – completeness, wholeness, purity – untainted – like when something is full/whole – nothing else can be added to it)

²² But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. ²⁴ And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. ²⁵ Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night there). ²⁶ And they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. ²⁷ But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Note – there is no darkness or defilement whatsoever in this dwelling place – this is the New Jerusalem, coming down out of Heaven that Jesus abides and rules and reigns from, the Word calls it, the Bride of Christ.

For the next part... think of yourself as a spiritual soul being. You are not your flesh, which abides and has an appetite all it's own. As we study, step outside of yourself and see yourself through the Lord's eyes - an eternal soul. A soul that needs nourishment for holiness. That as that soul what you eat of and partake of determines who you are eternally. That we each have a choice - to feed that which we desire to grow within us. And to choose what we starve inside our souls in that it doesn't get nourishment but instead withers and dies. When we feed the flesh - it grows, when we feed the soul pure water and pure fruit from the tree of life it prospers to life and multiplies to feed others that which is life giving.

REVELATION 22

And he showed me a **pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. ² In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was **the tree of life**, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the **healing of the nations**. 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**. ⁴ They shall **see His face, and His name shall be on their**

foreheads. ⁵ 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.

This is exactly why – we are careful to be alert and choosy by what we let into us via the eyes and ears and why we do not edify evil or pass it along to others. It is not healing, not to ourselves or others to focus on, be intrigued by, give attention to or fixate on what darkness is doing. We are to be holy in all manner of conversation – not giving heed to anything which seduces ourselves or others into darkness. It is called cursing, when we do this – the Word tells us God’s servants serve Him, not darkness as they see His face, having His name on their foreheads – He is on their minds continually, on the forefront actually. Since God dwells within them He is their light, they are children of the light, the day – no longer in darkness, so they do and will reign with Him forever and ever.... Now and to come.

⁶ Then he said to me, “These words are faithful and true.” And the Lord God of the ^hholy prophets sent His angel to show His servants the things which must shortly take place.

⁷ “Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”

What is the prophecy of the Book? The revelation of Jesus and His appearing, just as it is written. Wicked generations seek a sign of His coming, focusing on what darkness is doing. The righteous are seeking Him and what is the prophecy? It is plainly written in Revelation 19:10 – For the testimony of Jesus is the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. I know this goes against the grain of most right now – the flesh desires signs, the spirit testifies of Jesus. Sometimes I pray all signs would cease to tempt those who seek them so they turn away from all that taints and look to Jesus, drinking only pure water and eating only from the Tree of Life, no longer be led into temptation of evil.

⁸ Now I, John, ^ssaw and heard these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things.

⁹ Then he said to me, “See that you do not do that. ^hFor I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.” ¹⁰ And he said to me, “Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand.

Here is where the rubber meets the road – where the sifting reveals just who does and does not worship the One and only triune God. You will know them by their fruits? And what fruit is being produced is determined by what they ingest.

¹¹ He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him ^hbe righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.”

Jesus Testifies to the Churches

¹² “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the ^hBeginning and the End, the First and the Last.”

REWARDS handed out – these are good or bad, depending the type of work the servant did – it may mean a reward or it may mean a punishment, it is reaping what you have sown, like dues paid for the

work you have done by the fruit you have produced. Doing unto others as you would have them do unto you is no joke... At harvest time it will be evident just who truly served to prosper the Lord's Kingdom of light and who sowed into darkness by sowing into the wind, they shall reap a whirlwind. The next verses define the two and remember – this is not address the World, it is separating the sheep and goats, the wheat and tares – this word is for us.

14 Blessed are those who **do His commandments**, that they may have the **right to the tree of life**, and may enter through the gates into the city. **15** But outside are **dogs (impure in the mind) and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.**

You go into the city of God, by doing His commandments having eaten of the tree of life.

You are excluded from entering in if your mind is not pure & sober, are into sorcery such as, magic like using drugs, spells, enchantments to intrigue others – mind games, anything that alters another person pulling them away into drunkenness where they are not of a sound mind, those who are sexually immoral – having pleasure in unrighteousness, those who kill – either by physical means or words, those who look to and worship idols – such as a false god or leader or a Christian that participates in worship of heathen or a person who covets a man influence by mammon and filthy lucre and worse are those who love a lie and cultivates lies – which is simply an intentional falsehood, consciously speaks lies or perverse and deceitful precepts in order to deceive others.

16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star."

17 And the **Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"** And let him who hears say, **"Come!"** And let him who thirsts come. **Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.**

Salvation is a free gift – the Lord doesn't send anyone to hell, they choose it by refusing to receive what He offers to them as a way of escape out of a sinful lifestyle. Once one truly is saved, going back to who you were is not appealing and sickening actually. What you did in the past makes you want to vomit, a vomit only dogs return to because they do not want to live righteously as a child of God within the light – so they gravitate to darkness, as darkness has something in them to cling to.

A Warning


18 For I testify to **everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book:** (which is basically what Jesus says, above everything else man says) If anyone **adds to these things,** God will add to him the **plagues that are written in this book;** **19** and if anyone **takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy,** God shall take away his part from the **Book of Life,** from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

Once we are truly serving Jesus, our speech changes and everything we share is focused on Him. Not everyone "hears" Jesus's words – only those who eat of the tree of life eat of Him in this way. This is why you hear so many people who are adding things in and taking things out – sadly if they do not repent, God will take away their part from the Book of Life. Once you drink the blessing which comes from pure water, all cursing ceases to remain, both cannot flow out of the same river.

I Am Coming Quickly

²⁰ He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly."

Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

So this is what we are doing today! We together in fellowship as one in the Spirit are testifying to all these things Jesus spoke of in Revelation 21 & 22 today.

If the walk doesn't match the talk, don't follow.

Jesus is coming quickly – we are to work out our salvation daily with fear and trembling – no one knows the day or hour He is coming – may we all live in a total state of conviction and repentance understanding nothing else has to occur before He does come or in many cases someone's time on Earth is complete and physical death is deemed unavoidable.

Today's teaching is just a good reminder that we should live each day like it is our last, taking nothing for granted because tomorrow is promised to no one. And be grateful we have been given another day to surrender and lay our lives down to follow Jesus and Jesus alone by obeying His commandments and words.