

sermon notes

Pastor Tony Caffey, Messiah Bible Church | Final Things Lesson 4
March 11, 2026 | “The New Jerusalem” | **Revelation 21:9–22:5**

The New Jerusalem will be...

- 1) _____ with the _____ of God
(21:9–14)
- 2) _____ and _____ beyond description
(21:15–21)
- 3) a Holy Place, _____ the light of God’s _____
(21:22–27)
- 4) _____ on God’s _____
(22:1–5)

Questions for Further Application of God’s Word:

GO DEEPER

Revelation 21:9–27. Why did God give us such a vivid description of the New Jerusalem in Revelation 21–22? What is the New Jerusalem? Why is it called the “wife of the Lamb” in 21:2 and 21:9?

Read Revelation 22:1–5. In what ways does the New Jerusalem’s throne room parallel the Garden of Eden? What are some similarities? What are some differences?

Why would God choose for us to live in a city for eternity? What is it significant about this community? Does this challenge any common notions about heaven? If so, which ones? What will be our utmost objective in eternity?

Why is Jesus repeatedly referred to as “the Lamb” in Revelation 21–22? Why not the conquering warrior from chapter 19 or the reigning King from chapter 20? Why is Jesus’s identity as “the Lamb” so important in the book of Revelation?

GET PERSONAL

What are some of the distractions of this world that take your eyes off of the Lord? Do you ever think about the eternity that God is preparing for us? What is the benefit of remembering that from time to time? How would regular reminders of our future home impact our corporate worship of God at church? Take some time now and thank God for the eternity he’s preparing for you.

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

Draw a picture of the New Jerusalem using some of the descriptions found in Revelation 21–22. Draw a picture of the throne room in the middle of the city with the river, the tree(s) of life, and the throne. Why is significant about the light of God’s glory emanates from the throne room? Does it illuminate just the city or the entirety of the new heaven and new earth?

ADVANCED QUESTIONS

Read Revelation 18 and compare and contrast the New Jerusalem with the great prostitute, Babylon. What is significant about these two cities at the end of Revelation? What are the false treasures of Babylon? What are the lasting treasures of the New Jerusalem?

What does it mean to “see God’s face” in Revelation 22:4? Can we “see God’s face” in our present world? How is this different from God’s command to “seek God’s face/presence continually” (Ps 105:4)? Read the following article for more on seeking the face or presence of God:

www.desiringgod.org/articles/what-does-it-mean-to-see-the-lord