**An Overview of the Central Burden and**

**Morning Watch Present Truth of the Lord’s Recovery Before His Appearing – Message 12 July10-16, 2023**

**Becoming the New Jerusalem**

**Monday 7/10**

**Rev. 21:1-11**

**1** And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and the sea is no more.

**2** And I 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 out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

**4** And He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and death will be no more, nor will there be sorrow or crying or pain anymore; for the former things have passed away.

**5** And He who sits on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said, Write, for these words are faithful and true.

**6** And He said to me, They have come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give to him who thirsts from the spring of the water of life freely.

**7** He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be God to him, and he will be a son to Me.

**8** But the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and fornicators and sorcerers and idolaters and all the false, their part will be in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.

**9** And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, Come here; I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.

**10** And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

**11** Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Tuesday 7/11**

**Rev. 21:12-27**

**12** It had a great and high wall and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names inscribed, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel:

**13** On the east three gates, and on the north three gates, and on the south three gates, and on the west three gates.

**14** And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

**15** And he who spoke with me had a golden reed as a measure that he might measure the city and its gates and its wall.

**16** And the city lies square, and its length is as great as the breadth. And he measured the city with the reed to a length of twelve thousand stadia; the length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

**17** And he measured its wall, a hundred and forty-four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of an angel.

**18** And the building work of its wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

**19** The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every precious stone: 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; the twelfth, amethyst.

**21** And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was, respectively, of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

**22** And I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

**23** And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon that they should shine in it, for the glory of God illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb.

**24** And the nations will walk by its light; and the kings of the earth bring their glory into it.

**25** And its gates shall by no means be shut by day, for there will be no night there.

**26** And they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it.

**27** And anything common and he who makes an abomination and a lie shall by no means enter into it, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Wednesday 7/12**

**Rev. 22:1-11**

**1** And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb in the middle of its street.

**2** And on this side and on that side of the river was the tree of life, producing twelve fruits, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

**3** And there will no longer be a curse. And the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His slaves will serve Him;

**4** And they will see His face, and His name will be on their forehead.

**5** And night will be no more; and they have no need of the light of a lamp and of the light of the sun, for the Lord God will shine upon them; and they will reign forever and ever.

**6** And he said to me, These words are faithful and true; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent His angel to show to His slaves the things which must quickly take place.

**7** And behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this scroll.

**8** And I John am he who hears and sees these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things.

**9** And he said to me, Do not do that! I am your fellow slave and a fellow slave of your brothers the prophets and of those who keep the words of this scroll. Worship God.

**10** And he said to me, Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this scroll, for the time is near.

**11** Let him who does unrighteousness do unrighteousness still; and let him who is filthy be filthy still; and let him who is righteous do righteousness still; and let him who is holy be holy still.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Thursday 7/13**

**Rev. 22:12-21**

**12** Behold, I come quickly, and My reward is with Me to render to each one as his work is.

**13** I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

**14** Blessed are those who wash their robes that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter by the gates into the city.

**15** Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the fornicators and the murderers and the idolaters and everyone who loves and makes a lie.

**16** I Jesus have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the bright morning star.

**17** And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! And let him who is thirsty come; let him who wills take the water of life freely.

**18** I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this scroll: If anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this scroll;

**19** And if anyone takes away from the words of the scroll of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and out of the holy city, which are written in this scroll.

**20** He who testifies these things says, Yes, I come quickly. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

**21** The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Friday 7/14**

**Rev. 3:12**

**12** He who overcomes, him I will make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall by no means go out anymore, and I will write upon him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which descends out of heaven from My God, and My new name.

**Rev. 19:7-9**

**7** Let us rejoice and exult, and let us give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.

**8** And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteousnesses of the saints.

**9** And he said to me, Write, Blessed are they who are called to the marriage dinner of the Lamb. And he said to me, These are the true words of God.

**Jer. 2:2**

**2** Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus says Jehovah: I remember concerning you the kindness of your youth, The love of your bridal days, When you followed after Me in the wilderness, In a land that was not sown.

**Jer. 3:1, 14**

**1** It is said, If a man divorces his wife And she goes from him And becomes another man's wife, Will he return to her again? Will not that land be Utterly polluted? But you have committed fornication with many lovers. Yet return to Me, declares Jehovah.

**14** Return, O apostate children, declares Jehovah, for I am a Husband to you; and I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and will bring you to Zion.

**Jer. 31:32**

**32** Not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by their hand to bring them out from the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was their Husband, declares Jehovah.

**Hosea 2:7, 19-20**

**7** And she will pursue her lovers But will not overtake them; And she will seek them but not find them; And she will say, I will go And return to my first husband, For it was better for me then than now.

**19** And I will betroth you to Myself forever; Indeed I will betroth you to Myself In righteousness and justice And in lovingkindness and compassions;

**20** Indeed I will betroth you to Myself in faithfulness, And you will know Jehovah.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Saturday 7/15**

**John 14:1-6, 19-24**

**1** Do not let your heart be troubled; believe into God, believe also into Me.

**2** In My Father's house are many abodes; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.

**3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I am coming again and will receive you to Myself, so that where I am you also may be.

**4** And where I am going you know the way.

**5** Thomas said to Him, Lord, we do not know where You are going; how can we know the way?

**6** Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

**19** Yet a little while and the world beholds Me no longer, but you behold Me; because I live, you also shall live.

**20** In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

**21** He who has My commandments and keeps them, he is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will manifest Myself to him.

**22** Judas, not Iscariot, said to Him, Lord, and what has happened that You are to manifest Yourself to us and not to the world?

**23** Jesus answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make an abode with him.

**24** He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Lord’s Day 7/16**

**Eph. 3:14-19**

**14** For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father,

**15** Of whom every family in the heavens and on earth is named,

**16** That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man,

**17** That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

**18** May be full of strength to apprehend with all the saints what the breadth and length and height and depth are

**19** And to know the knowledge-surpassing love of Christ, that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God.

**Eph. 4:11-16**

**11** And He Himself gave some as apostles and some as prophets and some as evangelists and some as shepherds and teachers,

**12** For the perfecting of the saints unto the work of the ministry, unto the building up of the Body of Christ,

**13** Until we all arrive at the oneness of the faith and of the full knowledge of the Son of God, at a full-grown man, at the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

**14** That we may be no longer little children tossed by waves and carried about by every wind of teaching in the sleight of men, in craftiness with a view to a system of error,

**15** But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

**16** Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

**Further Reading:** *None*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans**

*Due to the July Training, we encourage the saints to use this week to catch up on and review all the material covered thus far in the churchwide truth pursuit of Romans. To access the Level 1 and Level 2 study materials and recordings from previous weeks, please visit the church website at* [*churchinnyc.org/bible-study*](about:blank)*.*

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