Revelation Study Vision 7 Welcome To The City of God! Revelation 21:9-27

- I. What Is the City of God?
 - A. The city of God (the new Jerusalem, the bride) is the collection of all the redeemed, fully conformed to the image of Jesus (resurrected) at the final consummation of all things
 - B. See Matthew 5:12-16; 16:18; 1 Corinthians 3:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Ephesians 2:10-22; 4:10-16; Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16; 12:18-24; 13:8-14; 1 Peter 2:4-10 (see also Ezekiel 40-48)
- II. The Images of City
 - A. It has the glory of God
 - B. "Like" costly stone
 - C. 12 gates, 12 foundation stones
 - 1. Twelve tribes = 12 gates (see Ezekiel)
 - 2. Twelve apostles = 12 foundation stones
 - D. Perfect cube
 - 1. "1500 miles" = 12,000 stadia
 - 2. "72 yards" = 144 cubits
 - E. 12 Foundation stones
 - 1. Cf. Exodus 28:17-20 & Exodus 39:8-14
 - 2. 8 are the exact same & 4 are semantic equivalents
 - Note The breastplate of the high priest, the proper witness to the atoning work of God, is now represented in the "New Jerusalem" by the New Covenant Apostles of Jesus Christ.
- III. What Is The City Like?

- A. No temple no need for one (God and the Lamb are the temple. Cf. John 2:19-23)
- B. No need for sun or moon (God and the Lamb are the light. Cf. John 8:12; 9:5)
- C. The nations (those in darkness) will now live (walk) by its light, and bring their glory into it (Isaiah 9:1-7)
- D. Its gates are never closed to those who are a part of the kingdom, those written in the Lamb's book of life (the gospel)
- E. None who participate in the gospel participate in the life of the kingdom