EDGEMONT BIBLE CHURCH

PASTOR DOUGLAS A WHITE

"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"COME!" REVELATION 22:6-17; SUPPORT SCRIPTURE

I. THIS IS THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST TO SHOW HIS SERVANTS

- A. Truthful communication the most truthful information in the entire cosmos; sourced in the eternal God who is the creator of time and the father of it;
- B. Targeted crowd given only to His servants; not made for everyone; pearls of wisdom, the refined gold of revelation
- C. Transported consciousness John is overwhelmed! He has just seen and heard what no mortal before him has ever seen or heard; he has been shown the end of the age in a brief period of time; humbled, he senses the need to worship but is uncertain where to send it—he chooses the messenger

D. Transferred concentration - The angel redirects John's focus and worship to God

- *II. THIS IS THE MESSAGE OF JESUS: "BEHOLD, I AM COMING QUICKLY!"*
 - A. Since this is true and faithful: "Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."
 - 1. Who stores them in His heart as the treasure to be the source of his life and wealth; the Truth
 - 2. Who does His commandments cleansing His life in Him; entry into the city/access to the tree of life v. 14

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- B. Since this is true and faithful: He is bringing His reward with Him, to give to everyone according to His work v. 12
- C. This message is true and faithful because its source is True and Faithful v. 13
 - 1. He is the Alpha and the Omega; this is about letters and words, communication and knowledge, wisdom source and storage; He is THE WORD OF GOD in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge
 - 2. The Beginning and the End; He is the infinite One who is the beginning of time and He will end time; He is the One through whom all things were created, for whom they were created; the One who holds them all together; and the One who is the End of the worlds and the ages.
 - 3. The First and the Last; He is before all things; He is the first of the new order of beings in the new heavens and new earth; He is the firstborn of all creation (its inheritor); He is the first of the resurrected ones in the new order and He is the last of them; nothing comes after Him; He is the model or prototype for all other sons of God; all saved ones will be conformed to Him
- D. The book is to remain open as God's final Word
 - 1. If read and rejected, one is locking in his condition
 - 2. If read and received, one will continue in growth and holiness
- E. The invitation from Jesus, the Spirit, the Bride to the one who thirsts and desires, "COME! Come to the water of life and drink freely!"