

Revelation 21:1-15 Eden's Resurrection.

Next an angel showed me the river, the water of life, clear, actually flowing from the throne of GOD Himself, right into the middle of the great street. On both banks stood the tree of life—bearing 12 fruit crops, yielding fruit monthly no less. The leaves heal the nations [ἐθνῶν]; no longer will curses thrive. The throne of GOD and the LAMB will be in “the city,” the LAMB’s slaves [δοῦλοι] will serve Him. They [we?] will see His face; His name will be on their foreheads. No more night. No light needed from lamp or sun, for the LORD GOD is the light. They will reign forever!

Q Why were Eve and Adam cast out of the garden of Eden?

Q What will you ask the LAMB when seeing Him face to face the first time?

Q From what problem/curse do the ἐθνῶν need relief?

Then the angel reminded me—

*This revelation is true; you can trust it. The LORD GOD Himself sent this angel to show his slaves the things that must **soon** take place. Listen up! Coming **soon**—closer to God is the one who keeps the words [λόγους] of the prophecy in this book [βιβλίου]. Bow down to the God! [προσκύνησον τῷ Θεῷ]*

Next, he said: *Make sure this prophecy is available for reading for the time is near. Let the evil continue to do evil, the filthy, filthy; the righteous continue to do righteous, the holy to continue to be holy.*

Listen up! I am coming soon. The reward from Me will be given to everyone according to what he/she has done. I am, indeed, the Alpha & the Omega, the First & the Last, the Beginning & the End. Closer to the Lord God are those who wash their robes so they may have the right to eat from the tree of life, to enter the gates into the city. You will find dogs outside—sorcerers, sexually immoral, murderers, idolaters—everyone who loves and does lies.

Q Why and how are we “closer to God” when we “keep the words of this prophecy?”

Q How do you assess “soon” in verses 6 & 7?

Q How will our reward be allocated by Jesus the Christ?

Q Clean robes leads to having the right to eat from the tree of life. What happens if we do not eat?

Q From where did the “dogs” come?

REVELATION 22:1-15

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

³No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

⁶The angel said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place.”

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

⁸I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I had heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. ⁹But he said to me, “Do not do it! [See Joshua 5:13-15] I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers the prophets and of all who keep the words of this book Worship God!”

¹⁰Then he told me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, because the time is near. ¹¹Let him who does wrong continue to do wrong; let him who is vile continue to be vile; let him who does right continue to do right; and let him who is holy continue to be holy.”

¹²“Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. ¹³I 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 the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city.

¹⁵Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

Revelation 21:16-21 JESUS & HOLY SPIRIT & the Churches Invite. Then I heard JESUS Himself affirm his angel's testimony [μαρτυρεῖσαι, "to testify"] for the called out. He said:

From My messenger, I JESUS give all of you this evidence. I am simultaneously the creator and descendant of David, the bright morning star. Both HOLY SPIRIT and the churches call out, "Come!" Let whoever has an ear, say "Come!" Whoever is thirsty? Let him come— whoever wishes, come and take the free gift of the water of life.

Q Is JESUS the morning star, the

Morning Star, or is [Lucifer](#) [לְהִלֵּל, he'lel'; 1966] the morning star, or the Morning Star?³²

Q What is the significance of JESUS being the "root" and "offspring" of David?

Q Why is drinking from the water of life critical? What makes one thirsty in heaven? Why is it "free?" Or, asked another way, why don't you own Poland? What would it take for you to own Poland?

A warning, however, to everyone who hears the words [λόγους] prophecy in this book—

If anyone adds anything to them, the Lord God will give the very plagues described in this book. And, if anyone takes away words, the LORD GOD will take away their share in the tree of life, and the holy city, described in this book.

I swear on oath to these things: JESUS is coming soon. Truly, come LORD JESUS. May the mercy of the LORD JESUS be with the saints. So be it.

Q What has been added or detracted from the logos of the book we call "Revelation?"

Q So, is Jesus the Christ coming soon, or is Jesus the Christ coming soon? What is your sense of "soon?"

REVELATION 22:16-21

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you [all] this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."

¹⁷The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.

¹⁸I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book. ¹⁹And if anyone takes words away from this book of prophecy, God will take away from him his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

²¹The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen.

³²In Roman folklore, Lucifer ("light-bringer" in Latin) was the name of the planet Venus, often personified as a male figure bearing a torch. [Phosphoros](#) (also meaning "light-bringer") or [Heosphoros](#) (meaning "dawn-bringer") were Greek names for this planet. Hence, the "morning star," as in the first star to be seen as morning approaches (when seen from above the equator). Huge debates about translation veracity occur over Isaiah 14:12. Context does support Isaiah is referring to Satan ("Lucifer" in Latin), whereas other translations (ESV, ISV, NAB) capitalize "Bright Morning Star." KJV-only folk and others have had blistering reviews of NIV, for example, in not identifying "Bright Morning Star" as Satan (The Latin, "Lucifer" is used in the KJV).