

REVELATION 12-22

Rev. 12:1 Then a great sign was seen in heaven, a woman [the nation Israel] clothed with the sun [Jacob] and the moon [either Rachel or Leah] under her feet, and a crown [royalty] of twelve stars [the 12 patriarchs or sons of Jacob] upon her head [reference to the origin of the Jewish race].

Rev. 12:2 Nevertheless, since she [the nation Israel] is in possession of [conceived] *a child* in pregnancy [Jesus Christ], she cries out, both screaming from labor pains [internal suffering] and being tormented [tossed to-and-fro, straining from within] to finally give birth.

Rev. 12:3 Then another sign was seen in heaven, and behold a great red Dragon [Satan], having seven heads [presidents or kings who have held Israel captive] and ten horns [representing the 10-nation confederacy of the Revived Roman Empire in the future]. Furthermore, on these heads [presidents or kings] *were* seven crowns [representing political and military authority],

Rev. 12:4 And his tail [symbolizing authority arrogance and rebellion] dragged away [in revolution] a third of the stars [fallen angels] of heaven [followers of Satan]. However, He [God the Father] cast them to the earth [during Satan's great desperation in the middle of the Tribulation]. Then the Dragon [Satan] stood before the woman [Israel] who was about to give birth, so that when she [Israel] gave birth, he might destroy her child [Satan's holocausts against the nation Israel are attempts to destroy Christ].

Rev. 12:5 And then she [Israel] gave birth to a son [Jesus Christ], a male [possessing a perfect proportion of all masculine qualities], Who is destined to rule all nations [during the millennium] with an iron scepter [use of capital punishment]. Furthermore, her child [Jesus Christ] was caught up [ascension] face-to-face with God [the Father], even before His throne [session].

Rev. 12:6 And so the woman [true Israel: believers only] fled [during the 2nd half of the Tribulation] into the uninhabited desert, where she had a place of refuge which had been prepared by God, in order that They [Father, Son & Spirit] might sustain her [true Israel] there for one thousand two hundred sixty days.

Rev. 12:7 Meanwhile, there was war in heaven, *where* Michael and his [army of elect] angels fought against the Dragon [Satan]. Furthermore, the Dragon and his [army of fallen] angels fought back [during the time of Satan's desperation],

Rev. 12:8 But he [Satan] did not have the power to win, neither was a place found for them [Satan and his fallen angels] any longer in heaven [they will be kicked out of heaven in the middle of the tribulation and will live on earth during the last half].

Rev. 12:9 Then the great Dragon [Satan] was thrown out [cast out of heaven by Michael and the elect angels], the ancient snake [the serpent in Genesis 3:1], who is called the Devil and Satan, the one who keeps on deceiving the inhabited earth. He was cast down to the earth, and his [fallen] angels were cast out with him.

Rev. 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying: Now deliverance has come [at the 2nd advent of Christ], as well as power [omnipotence], even the [millennial] kingdom of God [the Father] and the authority of His Christ, because the accuser of our fellow believers [the Devil], who constantly brings charges against them [in the court of heaven] day and night before our God, has been thrown out.

Rev. 12:11 Furthermore, they [believers under satanic attack] overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb [spiritual death of Christ on the cross] and through the word [doctrinal application] of their testimony [winner's production]. In fact, they do not love their soul [life] to the point of death [avoiding martyrdom].

Rev. 12:12 For this reason [because of your victory over Satan], keep on celebrating, you heavens [believers who already have their resurrection bodies] and you who dwell in them [believers in interim bodies]. Woe [3rd woe] to the land and sea, because the Devil has come down face-to-face with you [after being kicked-out of heaven] having great anger [frustrated pride and arrogance], knowing that he has only a short time.

Rev. 12:13 Now when the dragon [Satan] realized that he had been thrown down to the earth, he began persecuting the woman [Israel] who gave birth [racial source] to the male child [the humanity of Christ Jesus].

Rev. 12:14 Nevertheless, the two wings of the great eagle [representing angelic protection during the Tribulation] had been given to the woman [Israel], so that she might fly [escape] to her place [refuge] in the uninhabited desert, where she will be sustained [logistical grace support: physical and spiritual] in that place for a time and times and one half a time [3-1/2 years] from the presence of the serpent [Satan].

Rev. 12:15 Then the serpent [Satan] vomited out of his mouth water like a roaring river [3rd demon assault force] engulfing the woman [surrounding Israel], so that he might cause her [Israel] to be swept away by the roaring river [drown in a flood of demon soldiers].

Rev. 12:16 Nevertheless, the land [divine protection] helped the woman [deliverance for Israel]. In fact, the land opened its mouth and swallowed the roaring river [3rd demon assault force] which the dragon [Satan] had vomited from his mouth.

Rev. 12:17 Consequently, the Dragon [Satan] became furious [frustrated hatred, arrogant tantrum] at the woman [Israel], and he retreated to prepare battle plans against the remnant [converted Jews] of her posterity [the elect of Israel] who keep on observing the mandates of God [eschatological doctrines for the 2nd half of the tribulation] and who keep on holding the testimony about Jesus.

Rev. 13:1 Then he [Satan] was made to stand on the sand [innumerable multitude of people] of the seashore [Satan is sequestered on earth for the 1st time in history]. Then I saw a Beast [the Antichrist: dictator of the Revived Roman Empire] who ascended from the sea [the nations], and he had ten horns [ten nations who were part of the ancient Roman Empire] and seven heads [political leaders during the 2nd half of the tribulation], and on these horns [the Revived Roman Empire] *were* ten diadems [political leaders during the 1st half of the tribulation], and upon his heads [demon-possessed leaders of the Revived Roman Empire] *is* an insulting and slandering [an evil, global, mandatory religion that blasphemes God] title-name [religious title signifying authoritative rank].

Rev. 13:2 Furthermore, the Beast [Antichrist] which I saw was like a leopard [bold conquest], and his feet *were* like a bear [pro-Semitic emphasis during the 1st half of the tribulation], and his mouth *was* like the mouth of a lion [anti-Semitic emphasis during the 2nd half of the tribulation]. And the Dragon [Satan] gave to him [Antichrist] his [demonic] power and his throne [title and rank] and great [political and religious] authority [totalitarianism].

Rev. 13:3 Then *I saw* one of his heads [political leaders during the 1st half of the tribulation] which seemed [appeared] to have been fatally wounded [his nation was on the verge of annihilation]. But instead, his deadly wound [imminent military defeat] became healed [his nation survived]. And the entire earth [all mankind is restricted by verse 8 to the non-elect] became struck with amazement behind [following as disciples] the Beast [the ruler of the revived Roman Empire rescued one of his member nations and garnered a global following].

Rev. 13:4 Furthermore, they began worshipping the Dragon [Satan worship], because he gave supernatural [demonic] power to the Beast [Antichrist], and they likewise began worshipping the Beast [dictator of the revived Roman Empire], saying: Who *is* like the Beast and who is able [has the power] to fight [wage war] against him?

Rev. 13:5 Furthermore, a mouth [eloquent speech] was given to him [the Beast] for the purpose of speaking surprising things [plausible answers to mankind's problems] and horrible insults and slanders [blasphemies]. Also, supernatural [demonic] power was given to him [the Beast] for the purpose of executing his plan [ability to function in a counterfeit sphere of demonic power as opposed to the divine sphere of power given to believers during the Church Age] for forty-two months [2nd half of the tribulation].

Rev. 13:6 And he [the beast] opened his mouth [communication] with horrible insults and slanders against God, viciously maligning His Person [divine essence] and His tabernacle [place where Jews worshipped on earth during the tribulation], and those [Jewish believers] who tabernacled in heaven [Satan hates all Jews on earth as well as those already in heaven].

Rev. 13:7 Furthermore, there was delegated to him [the Beast] *supernatural power* [demonic] to wage war against the saints [born-again believers during the tribulation] and

to conquer them [martyrdom]. As a matter of fact, there was delegated to him [the Beast] supernatural power [demonic] over every tribe [obvious Jewish reference] then people [citizens of the revived Roman Empire who became believers during the tribulation] then language [foreigners visiting the Revived Roman Empire, international travelers, those fleeing Europe for a safe haven] then nation [remaining nations outside the Revived Roman Empire].

Rev. 13:8 In fact, all [unbelievers alive during the tribulation] who are living on the inhabited earth will worship him [the Beast], everyone [the non-elect] whose name was not written in the past and will remain unwritten in the Book of Life belonging to the Lamb [Jesus Christ], Who was murdered from the foundation [creation] of the world.

Rev. 13:9 If anyone has an ear [teachability], let him hear [pay close attention: grace apparatus for perception].

Rev. 13:10 If anyone [terrorist, mercenary, gangster, criminal, religious fanatic] *leads others* into captivity [unlawful imprisonment], he will be led into captivity [just retribution]. If anyone [unlawful violent person] kills someone [unlawful: not the military or police] with a sword [symbol for violent death], he will be killed [just retribution] with a sword [violent death]. Under these circumstances, patient endurance [divine viewpoint], to be sure, is the doctrinal application of the saints.

Rev. 13:11 Then I saw another of the same kind of Beast [same characteristics as the Antichrist] rising up from the land [of Israel], and he had two horns [religious and civil power] similar to the Lamb [Jesus Christ has seven horns], but he [the False Prophet] kept on speaking like a dragon [satanic public relations spokesperson].

Rev. 13:12 In fact, he [the False Prophet] exercises all the authority of the first Beast [the Antichrist] on his behalf [the dictator of the revived Roman Empire delegates civil authority to the False Prophet over Israel]. Then he [the False Prophet] will prepare the land [of Israel] and those [non-Jewish residents] living in it, so that they will worship the first Beast [the Antichrist or false Messiah who now heads the revived Roman Empire], whose wound was beginning to be restored [Revived Roman Empire] from its death blow [historical fall of the Roman Empire].

Rev. 13:13 Furthermore, he [the False Prophet] will perform great miracles [by satanic power], so that he even causes fire to come down from the sky to the earth in the presence of men [attesting miracles to deceive the people and enslave them to Satan],

Rev. 13:14 Both to deceive those who live upon the land [of Israel], *and* - because the miracles which were delegated to him were for the purpose of performing in the presence of the beast [spectacular public ceremony for the Antichrist], while addressing those who live upon the land [of Israel] - to manufacture an idol [image] to the Beast, who received a wound from a sword [fall of the Roman Empire] and came back to life [Revived Roman Empire during the tribulation].

Rev. 13:15 Then it was delegated [from Satan] to him [the False Prophet] *the power* to provide a [demonic] spirit for the idol of the Beast [image of the Antichrist], so that the idol of the Beast could also [in the same blasphemous manner as the two beasts] speak [communicate by means of a ventriloquist demon] and cause [enforce] that as many as do not worship the idol of the Beast should be executed [martyrdom for refusing to worship the image of the Beast].

Rev. 13:16 Furthermore, he causes [enforces] everyone, the insignificant and the influential, both the rich and the poor, both the independent and the dependent, so that they [civil and religious politicians] should give [computerized tyranny] to them [worshippers of the image of the Beast] an identification mark [brand, computer chip] on their right hand [symbolizing fellowship] or on their forehead [sharing the same philosophy and thought patterns],

Rev. 13:17 And so that no one should have the ability to buy or sell [engage in commerce] except he who possesses the identification mark [smart card, computer chip], the name of the Beast [special means of identification for the clergy], or the number [mathematical code] of his [the Antichrist's] name.

Rev. 13:18 Here is wisdom: He who has an intellect [trained mathematical mind], let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of man [exalting himself before God], and his number is six hundred sixty-six.

Rev. 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, the Lamb [Jesus Christ] was standing on Mount Zion and with Him *were* one hundred forty-four thousand [Jewish warrior-priests] who have His name and the name of His Father inscribed upon their foreheads.

Rev. 14:2 Then I heard a sound from heaven like the sound of many waters [a waterfall] and like the sound of great thunder [angels in harmony]. Furthermore, the sound which I heard *was* like harpists playing harp music on their harps [music played by elect angels].

Rev. 14:3 And they [angelic choir] were singing a new song [battle hymn] before the throne and before the four living creatures and the angelic staff officers. Furthermore, no one was able to learn the song [of our Lord's victory in battle] except one hundred forty-four thousand [Jewish warrior-priests], who had been redeemed from the earth [bought out of the marketplace].

Rev. 14:4 These are ones who have not been defiled with women [spiritual adultery], for they [the 144,000 Jewish warrior-priests] remain celibate [spiritual virgins], they who keep on following the Lamb [focused on their spiritual life] wherever He might lead [divine guidance]. These have been redeemed from among men, the firstfruits [coming out of the tribulation alive] of God [the Father] and the Lamb [Jesus Christ].

Rev. 14:5 Furthermore, no lie [deception] was found in their mouth [no verbal sins]. They remain blameless [mature].

Rev. 14:6 Then I saw another of the same kind of angel [angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] flying in mid-heaven [high in the sky], and he had the eternal gospel [of the kingdom and of judgment] to communicate to those who are residing on the earth [during the tribulation], namely, to every nation [outside the Revived Roman Empire] then tribe [Jews] then language [foreigners caught inside the Revived Roman Empire, international travelers, those fleeing Europe for a safe haven] then people [remaining citizens in the Revived Roman Empire who will become believers during the tribulation],

Rev. 14:7 And he [first angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] spoke with a loud voice [crisis evangelism]: Start fearing God and start giving glory to Him, because the hour of His judgment has come, and start worshipping the One [Jesus Christ] who created the sky [atmosphere] and the earth and the sea [salt water] and the fountains [springs] of water [fresh water].

Rev. 14:8 Then another of the same kind of angel [angelic logistics planning & analysis officer], a second *one*, followed, announcing: Babylon the Great [Satan's political, economic and religious headquarters in Iraq] has fallen, has fallen. She has given all the nations [investors] a drink of the wine of the wrath [divine judgment] of her fornication [spiritual adultery].

Rev. 14:9 Then another of the same kind of angel [angelic logistics planning & analysis officer], a third *one*, followed them [the first two angelic logistics planning & analysis officers], announcing with a loud voice: If anyone worships the Beast [Antichrist] and his image and receives *his* identification mark upon their forehead [member of his clergy] or upon their hand [member of his laity],

Rev. 14:10 He [the follower of Antichrist] also will drink of the wine [judgment] of the wrath of God which has been poured undiluted [full strength] into the cup of His seething anger and he will be tormented with fire and burning sulphur [baptism of fire] before the holy [elect] angels and before the Lamb [Jesus Christ].

Rev. 14:11 Furthermore, the smoke of their torment [horrific judgment] will continue to rise from ages [eschatological: Tribulation, Millennial, Perfect] to ages [eternity future]. As a matter of fact, they will not have rest [relief] day or night, those who worship the Beast [Antichrist] and his image, and if anyone receives the identification of his name.

Rev. 14:12 Under these circumstances [while the Beast and False Prophet are in control], the courage of the saints [believers during the tribulation] continues to exist, those who continue to observe the mandates from God and the doctrine from Christ.

Rev. 14:13 Then I heard a voice from heaven, which said: Write! Happinesses to those, the dead ones [martyrs], who died in the Lord. Indeed, from now on, the Spirit says that they will receive rest [refreshment during the interim state] from their hardships [suffering during the tribulation], for their accomplishments [rewarded spiritual production] will follow with them [into eternity].

Rev. 14:14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and He [Jesus Christ] who was sitting on the cloud *was* similar to the Son of Man [emphasis on His humanity], having on His head a golden crown [His humanity wore thorns, His deity wears gold] and a sharp sickle [representing divine judgment] in His hand.

Rev. 14:15 Then another of the same kind of angel [fourth angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] exited the temple [on earth] and shouted with a loud voice to the One [Jesus Christ] who was sitting on the cloud: Send Your sickle [divine judgment] and start harvesting [executing the last seven plagues], because the hour has arrived [in God's timing] to begin harvesting [evil has reached its pinnacle], because the harvest of the earth [mankind's corruption] has become exceedingly ripe [hemorrhaging with arrogance and evil].

Rev. 14:16 Then He [Jesus Christ] who was sitting on the cloud swung His sickle [destruction] over the earth and the earth was harvested.

Rev. 14:17 Then another of the same kind of angel [fifth angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] exited the temple which *is* in heaven, who also had a sharp vine-knife [symbol of judgment].

Rev. 14:18 Then another of the same kind of angel [sixth angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] exited from the altar [altar of incense where imprecatory prayers are heard] who has authority over the fire, and he shouted with a loud voice to him [fifth angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] who has the sharp vine-knife, saying: Send your sharp vine-knife [symbol of judgment] and begin gathering the cluster [various categories of evil] of grapes [sinful humanity] from the vines [various nations] of the earth, because its grapes [sinful humanity] are rotting.

Rev. 14:19 Then the angel [fifth angelic logistics planning & analysis officer] swung his vine-knife upon the earth [execution of the Armageddon Campaign] and he gathered the clusters of grapes of the earth [various categories of evil men] and he threw *them* into the great winepress [judgment is executed] of the wrath of God.

Rev. 14:20 In fact, the winepress [at the final Battle of Armageddon] was trampled [destruction of evil] outside the city [of Jerusalem] and the blood from the winepress [of the Battle of Armageddon] flowed as high as the bridles of horses as far away as a thousand six hundred stadia [about 180 miles outside Jerusalem].

Rev. 15:1 Then I saw another of the same kind of sign in heaven, great and astonishing: seven angels [execution squad] who have seven plagues, the last ones, because in them the wrath of God will be brought to its intended conclusion.

Rev. 15:2 Then I saw *something* like a glassy sea [tribulation martyrs in interim resurrection bodies], which had been mixed with fire [they were brought through judgment], even those who were victorious over the Beast [Antichrist], both over his

image [idolatry] and over the number of his name [computerized identification], and they stood on the glassy sea [in their interim bodies] holding harps [praise songs] of God.

Rev. 15:3 And they sing the song of Moses, the bondsman of God, and the song of the Lamb, singing: Great and marvelous *are* Your deeds, O Lord [deity of Christ addressed 3 times], God, the Omnipotent One. Righteous [justice] and true [veracity] *are* Your ways [judicial protocol], O King of the nations [during the Millennial Reign of Christ].

Rev. 15:4 Who will not fear [worship out of profound respect] *You*, O Lord [Jesus Christ], and glorify Your Name, because You alone *are* holy, because all the nations will come [to Jerusalem] and will worship before You [during the millennium], because Your righteous deeds [judgments] will be revealed?

Rev. 15:5 Then after these things [singing & worshipping of the Lord], I concentrated, and the inner sanctuary [temple] of the tabernacle of the testimony [where the attributes and deeds of the Lord are displayed] in heaven was opened,

Rev. 15:6 Then the seven angels [execution squad] who had the seven plagues [Bowl judgments] exited the inner sanctuary [temple barracks], dressed in pure [impeccable], reflective [transparent] linen [uniform representing the deity of Christ] and wearing a golden sash [belt or baldric used to display military decorations and medals won in battle] across their chests.

Rev. 15:7 Then one of the four living creatures [angelic staff officers] gave to the seven angels [execution squad] seven golden bowls [grenades] which were full of the wrath [divine destruction] of God Who lives unto the Ages of the Ages [eternity future].

Rev. 15:8 And the temple [where imprecatory prayers are offered] began to be filled with smoke representing the glory of God and His power [divine justice in progress]. Furthermore, no one was able to enter the temple until the seven plagues [Bowl judgments] from the seven angels [execution squad] had been brought to their intended conclusion [all functions inside the temple are suspended until further notice].

Rev. 16:1 Then I heard a great voice [God the Father's] out from the inner sanctuary [of the temple] which shouted to the seven angels [execution squad]: Go and pour out the seven Bowl judgments of the wrath of God upon the earth.

Rev. 16:2 Then the first angel [of the execution squad] departed and poured out his bowl into the earth, and it became a perniciously infectious and viciously painful sore [cancerous ulcer] upon those men who have the identification mark of the Beast [Antichrist] and who worship his image.

Rev. 16:3 Then the second *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl into the sea [oceans], and it became like a dead person's [coagulated] blood. Then every living creature, those in the sea, died.

Rev. 16:4 Then the third *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl into the rivers [fresh waters] and springs of waters [lakes], and they became blood.

Rev. 16:5 Then I heard the angel [3rd member of the execution squad] related to the [fresh] water [judgment], saying: You [Jesus Christ] are righteous, Who is [exists in hypostatic union] and Who was [as eternal God], O Holy One, because You have condemned them [those who persecuted and killed tribulation martyrs],

Rev. 16:6 Because they [the spiritual leaders of the False Prophet] have poured out the blood of the saints [tribulation martyrs] and prophets [two Jewish prophets: Moses and Elijah or Enoch]. Therefore, You have given them blood to drink [no water left on earth]. They are deserving [of nothing but blood to drink].

Rev. 16:7 Then I heard *a voice* from the altar, saying: Yes, Lord [authority], God [deity], the Almighty One [omnipotence], Your judgments *are* truthful [veracity] and just [fair due to omniscience].

Rev. 16:8 Then the fourth *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl upon the sun, and to it [the sun] was given *the power* to burn mankind with fiery heat.

Rev. 16:9 Consequently, mankind will be scorched with a great burning heat, but they will curse the Name of God who has the authority over these plagues. Indeed, they will not change their minds [repent] and as a result give Him the glory.

Rev. 16:10 Then the fifth *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl upon the throne of the Beast [Antichrist], and his empire became [was plunged into] darkness [spiritual darkness becomes environmental darkness], and they kept on biting their tongues because of the pain [suffering from freezing temperatures and fear of constant darkness].

Rev. 16:11 Then they cursed God in heaven because of their pain and their sores. However, they did not change their minds [repent] from their deeds [worship of the beast and persecution of the saints].

Rev. 16:12 Then the sixth *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl on the river, the great Euphrates [in Iraq], and its water was dried up [ceased to flow] so that the invasion route for the kings from the rising sun [east] will be prepared [for the Armageddon campaign].

Rev. 16:13 Then I saw three unclean spirit beings [demons] like frogs from the mouth [command & control] of the Dragon [Satan] and from the mouth [command & control] of the Beast [Antichrist] and from the mouth [command & control] of the False Prophet [the unholy trinity aligned against Christ],

Rev. 16:14 For they are the spirits of demons which perform miracles, who advance upon the kings [political & military leaders] of the entire inhabited earth, for the purpose of

assembling them for that war [campaign] of the great day [2nd advent] of Almighty [Omnipotent] God [Jesus Christ].

Rev. 16:15 Suddenly [without warning], I [Jesus Christ] will return like a thief [unexpectedly]. Happy *is* the one who watches and who guards his outer garments [idiom: living the Christian way of life during the tribulation], so that he may not walk exposed [idiom: become a loser] and they [fellow believers] see his shame [loss of rewards at the judgment seat].

Rev. 16:16 Then He [Jesus Christ] assembled them [the armies of the world] in a place which is called in Hebrew: Armageddon [Valley of Megiddo].

Rev. 16:17 Then the seventh *angel* [of the execution squad] poured out his bowl upon the lower atmosphere [Satan's domain as prince of the power of the air], and a great voice [God the Father] came out from the inner sanctuary from the throne, saying: It is over [the final bowl judgment has been unleashed].

Rev. 16:18 Then there were lightning flashes and roars and thunders, and there was a great earthquake, such as had not occurred since mankind had come to be on earth, so terrible *was* this great earthquake.

Rev. 16:19 Then the great city [Babylon] was *split* into three parts [by the earthquake] and the cities of the nations collapsed [buildings fell to their destruction]. Furthermore, Babylon the great [in Iraq] will be remembered in the presence of God, with the result that He will give her the cup of wine of the fury [boiling rage] of His wrath [settled anger against spiritual adultery].

Rev. 16:20 Then every island vanished and mountains could not be found.

Rev. 16:21 Then large hailstones, weighing about one hundred pounds each, dropped down from the lower atmosphere on mankind, and mankind [the survivors] cursed God because of the plague of hail, because this plague was extremely severe.

Rev. 17:1 Then one of the seven angels [of the execution squad], the one who had the seventh bowl, came and spoke to me, saying: Come here! I will explain to you the judgment upon the great prostitute [false religion in the city of Babylon which seduces people from Christ] who sits upon many waters [international in scope],

Rev. 17:2 With whom the rulers of the earth have committed sexual immorality [spiritual fornication]. Furthermore, those [religious converts] who dwell on the earth have become intoxicated with the wine of her sexual immorality [spiritual prostitution],

Rev. 17:3 Then he [the seventh angel of the execution squad] carried me away in the Spirit to a remote location [in Iraq]. Then I saw a woman [false religion] sitting upon a scarlet beast [political system], full of insulting categorical remarks [satanic teachings],

having seven heads [historical empires] and ten horns [ten nation confederacy of the revived Roman Empire].

Rev. 17:4 Now the woman [Satan's religious system in the rebuilt city of Babylon] was clothed in purple and scarlet *garments* [church and state combined] and was adorned with gold [great international wealth] and priceless stones [historical and cultural artifacts] and pearls [glamour and class], having a golden drinking vessel in her hand [providing intoxication] which was full of detestable [sacrilegious] and unclean things [abominable heresies and satanic rituals] related to her sexual immoralities [spiritual and physical fornication],

Rev. 17:5 Furthermore, a title was written upon her forehead: Mystery [not revealed until the False Prophet arrives], Babylon the Great [Satan's counterfeit religion headquartered in Iraq], Mother [origin] of Prostitutes [sexual immorality] and the Abominations [idolatry] of the Earth.

Rev. 17:6 Then I saw the woman [Satan's false religion], drunk with the blood [Satan's global religion turns murderous] of the set-apart ones [Jews] and with the blood of the martyrs for Jesus [believers during the tribulation], and when I saw her [Satan's global religion], I was shocked with great amazement.

Rev. 17:7 Then the angel [seventh member of the execution squad] said to me: Why are you shocked? I will explain to you the mystery [secret] of the woman [false religion] and of the Beast [Antichrist] which will support her, the one who has seven heads [historical empires] and ten horns [ten nation confederacy of the Revived Roman Empire].

Rev. 17:8 The beast [Antichrist] that you saw was [existed during the time of the original Roman Empire] and is not [doesn't exist at the time John was writing the Revelation], but is destined to come up [during the tribulation] from the prison house of demons and evil spirits [Satan's temporary headquarters in the Abyss] and he will go into destruction [into the Lake of Fire]. In fact, those who inhabit the earth [during the tribulation] will be amazed, (those [unbelievers] whose name was not written in the past and will remain unwritten in the Book of Life from the foundation [creation] of the world [God's sovereignty decided which names are in the book and which ones are not]), when they see the Beast [Antichrist], that he was [active during the tribulation] and is not [imprisoned during the millennium] and will come [final appearance after the millennium before he is consigned to the Lake of Fire for eternity].

Rev. 17:9 Here *is* the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains [historical empires], whereas the woman [Satan's religious system] sits upon them [false religion is supported by politics]. Furthermore, they are seven kings [political leaders].

Rev. 17:10 Five [historical empires] have fallen [Egypt, Babylon, Assyria, Medo-Persia, and Graeco-Macedonia], one exists [the ancient Roman Empire during the time John was writing the Revelation], another has not yet arrived [the Revived Roman Empire],

however, when it arrives [during the tribulation], it must remain for a short time [seven years].

Rev. 17:11 Moreover, the Beast [Antichrist] who was [active during the tribulation], but will not be [active during the millennium], he himself will also be the eighth [ruler over the eighth empire at the end of the millennium] and is from the seventh [he rules the Revived Roman Empire during the 2nd half of the tribulation], however, he will return to destruction [permanent residence in the Lake of Fire].

Rev. 17:12 Moreover, the ten horns which you saw are ten kings [political rulers over the ten nation confederacy], who have not yet received a kingdom [not elected to office], but they will receive authority as kings [political leaders: crisis management team] for one hour [last half of the tribulation] with the Beast [Antichrist].

Rev. 17:13 These [ten political rulers] have one ideology [common cause] so they will give their power and authority [as representatives of their nations] to the Beast [Antichrist].

Rev. 17:14 These [political rulers of the ten nation confederacy] will wage war against the Lamb [Christ Jesus], but the Lamb will conquer them, because He is the Lord of lords [emphasizes His 1st advent] and the King of kings [emphasizes His 2nd advent]. Furthermore, those [tribulation martyrs] accompanying Him *are* called [to martyrdom] and chosen [fitted for tribulation warfare] and faithful [maintain their testimony to the end].

Rev. 17:15 Then he [seventh angel of the execution squad] said to me: The waters which you have seen, on which the prostitute [Satan's counterfeit religion] sits [religious domination], represent people [citizens of the Revived Roman Empire], even lower class rabble [living outside the Revived Roman Empire], and nations [international scope] and languages.

Rev. 17:16 Both the ten horns [political leaders] you saw and the Beast [Antichrist], these [leaders of the revived Roman Empire] will come to despise the prostitute [politicians become weary of religious leaders] and they will dismantle her [destroy her organizational structure] and will make *her* naked [strip her of power]. Moreover, they [the army of the revived Roman Empire] will devour her flesh [kill her devotees in a global civil war] and will consume her with fire [the Antichrist's army will destroy her].

Rev. 17:17 For God [in His sovereignty] has placed into their mentality of their souls [leaders of the revived Roman Empire] to execute His purpose [to use their political system of evil to crush the religious system of evil] and to operate with one will [unanimous consent], and as a result to delegate their [collective] political and military power to the Beast [the Antichrist will operate as their Supreme Allied Commander] until [temporary arrangement] the plans of God have been completed [Jesus Christ controls history].

Rev. 17:18 Furthermore, the woman which you saw is the great city [rebuilt Babylon] which will possess power [religious and economic] over the kings [leaders] of the earth.

Rev. 18:1 After these things [the arrival, global participation, and destruction of religious Babylon], I saw another of the same kind of angel [seraph ranked], who had great authority, descending from heaven and the earth was illuminated because of his glory [the luminous glow of his spiritual body].

Rev. 18:2 Then he shouted with a powerful voice, saying: Babylon the Great [Satan's headquarters in Iraq] has fallen, has fallen! In fact, it has become a penal colony [settlement] of demons [Satan's executive staff] and a garrison for every type of unclean [disembodied] spirit [former inhabitants of now dead unbelievers] and an open-air cage for every species of unclean [Jews couldn't eat them] and hated bird [buzzards, vultures], and a den for every type of unclean scavenger [rats, hyenas, jackals],

Rev. 18:3 Because all the nations have fallen from the wine [religious intoxication] of the passion [emotional abandon] of her fornication [spiritual adultery] and the kings of the earth [rulers] have committed fornication with her [political participation in Satan's New World Order] and the merchants [businessmen] of the earth [global economic community] have obtained considerable wealth from the abundant quantity [powerful supply] of her natural resources [oil & gas deposits].

Rev. 18:4 Then I heard another of the same kind of voice from heaven, saying: Come out [physical separation] from her My people [tribulation believers living in Babylon, primarily Jewish], so that you might not participate in her sins [guilt by association], and you might not receive her plagues [judgment by association],

Rev. 18:5 Because her sins have been piled up as high as heaven [evil *modus vivendi*]. Moreover, God has remembered her crimes [evil *modus operandi*].

Rev. 18:6 Give back to her [divine retribution] in the same degree as she also has given [persecution and murder of Christians and Jews]. In fact, pay back double according to her deeds [evil *modus operandi*]. In the cup which she has mixed [torture and murder], mix for her a double dose.

Rev. 18:7 To the degree that she has glorified herself [arrogant self-sufficiency] and has lived sensually and in luxury [combination of spiritual adultery and economic apostasy], to that same degree, give her torture and grief. Because she said in the mentality of her soul [arrogant self-justification and demonic delusion]: I am sitting a queen [powerful because I'm connected to the source] and I am not a widow [powerless because I'm not connected to the source], therefore, I will never see grief [false security, imagined immunity to divine judgment].

Rev. 18:8 Because of this [arrogant presumption, self-sufficiency and false security], in one day her plagues will come: death and grief and famine. Moreover, she will be consumed by fire, for omnipotent *is* the Lord God Who has judged her.

Rev. 18:9 Then the kings [political leaders] of the earth who have committed fornication [spiritual adultery] and lived in luxury [commercial excess] with her will weep and strike themselves [beat their chests in agony] over her, when they see [televised] the smoke from her furious blaze,

Rev. 18:10 And they stood from afar [at a distance] because of the fear of her torment, exclaiming: Woe, woe, the great city, Babylon, the mighty city, because in one hour your judgment has come!

Rev. 18:11 And the merchants of the earth [international businessmen] will weep and agonize over her [loss of income and capital investments], because nobody [customer base] will purchase their cargo anymore [unwanted inventory piled-up in transit]:

Rev. 18:12 A cargo of gold and silver and precious gems and pearls [expensive jewelry], as well as fine linen and purple [religious] cloth and silk and scarlet [political] cloth [lavish clothing], as well as every type of citrus tree lumber and all kinds of carved ivory decorations [extravagant furniture and interior house decorations], as well as all types of products made from expensive wood and bronze and iron and marble [home building materials],

Rev. 18:13 As well as cinnamon and spice and incense and lotion and perfume [cosmetics and aromatherapy for the ladies], as well as wine and olive oil and fine flour and whole grains and cattle and sheep [drinking and dining], as well as thoroughbred horses and carriages [essential and recreational modes of transportation], as well as the bodies [part-time] and souls [full-time] of men [professional servants: butlers, maids, nannies].

Rev. 18:14 In fact, the fruit [apex] of your soul's desire [global profiteers] has departed from you. All things, both luxurious [expensive] and glamorous [ostentatious], have vanished from you. Moreover, they [global businessmen] will no longer, never ever, find them [their cargoes] again.

Rev. 18:15 The merchants [international businessmen] of these things [luxury merchandise], who have become wealthy from her [Babylon as the center of global commerce], will stand from afar [at a distance] because of the fear of her torment, weeping and agonizing,

Rev. 18:16 Exclaiming: Woe, woe, the great city, which was clothed with fine linen, as well as purple [religion] and scarlet [politics], and was adorned with gold and precious gems and pearls,

Rev. 18:17 Because in one hour, such great wealth has been devastated. Furthermore, every shipmaster and all who were sailing to this place [Babylon], including sailors, as many as earn their living by the sea, stood from afar [at a distance].

Rev. 18:18 Furthermore, when they see the smoke of her burning inferno, they cry out, screaming: What city *was ever* like this great one [rebuilt Babylon]?

Rev. 18:19 Moreover, they threw dust [dirt] upon their heads and cried out, weeping and agonizing, screaming: Woe, woe, *is* the great city in which all [businessmen] who had ships at sea [merchant marine] became wealthy due to her prosperity [demand for luxury items fueled by oil & gas revenue], because in one hour she has been devastated!

Rev. 18:20 Be celebrating over her [destruction of Babylon], O heaven, especially saints [believers] and apostles [NT leadership] and prophets [OT leadership], because God has administered judgment against her as your retribution.

Rev. 18:21 Then one particular strong angel [seraph] picked up a boulder like a giant millstone [weighing over 2,000 pounds] and tossed *it* into the sea, saying: In this manner, Babylon, the great city, will be thrown down with a violent splash and will never, ever be found again.

Rev. 18:22 Furthermore, the sound of harpists and musicians and flute players and trumpeters [the entertainment industry] will never, ever be heard in you again. In fact, every craftsman [construction workers] of any trade will never, ever be found in you again. Also, the sound of the mill [industry] will never, ever be heard in you again.

Rev. 18:23 Furthermore, the light of the lamp [gas and electric utilities] will never, ever shine on you again. In fact, the voice of the groom and the bride [family life] will never be heard in you again. Since your merchants [international executives] became successful businessmen on the earth, because of your sorcery [drugs, mysticism], all the nations were deceived.

Rev. 18:24 In fact, the blood pools of prophets and saints and all those [martyrs] who were murdered [by violence and terrorism] upon the earth were found in her [global religion turned criminal to accomplish Satan's objectives].

Rev. 19:1 After these things [the destruction of the city of Babylon], I heard a loud sound like a large crowd in heaven [tribulation martyrs], shouting: Praise the Lord! Salvation and glory and power to our God!

Rev. 19:2 Because His judgments *are* accurate [veracity] and justified [righteous], because He has judged the great prostitute [Satan's counterfeit religious system] which is of such a type as to have repeatedly corrupted [seduced] the earth [its inhabitants] by means of her fornication [spiritual adultery]. Furthermore, He has avenged [divine retribution] the blood of His bondslaves [tribulation martyrs] by means of her hand.

Rev. 19:3 Then a second time they shouted: Praise the Lord! Furthermore, her [Babylon's] smoke will continue to rise unto the Ages of the Ages [a perpetual reminder of God's judgment against spiritual adultery].

Rev. 19:4 Then the twenty-four angelic staff officers and the four living creatures [seraphim] fell down and worshipped God [Jesus Christ] Who is sitting upon the throne, shouting: We acknowledge it! Praise the Lord!

Rev. 19:5 Then a voice [angelic king of arms] came out from the throne, saying: Keep on giving praise to our God, all those who *are* His bondslaves and the ones who respect Him, the small [losers] and the great [winners].

Rev. 19:6 Then I heard a sound like a large crowd [Church Age believers] and a sound like many waters [OT saints] and a sound like mighty peals of thunder [tribulation survivors], shouting: Praise the Lord! Because the Lord [Jesus Christ], our God [deity of Christ], the omnipotent One, has begun to reign [assumed royal control on the throne of God in Jerusalem].

Rev. 19:7 Let us rejoice and celebrate, and give glory to Him [Jesus Christ as the Groom], because the wedding banquet of the Lamb has finally come [its appointed time has arrived] and His bride [Church Age believers] has prepared herself [clothed her resurrection body with her wedding garments].

Rev. 19:8 Furthermore, it has been entrusted to her [grace gift], that she [bride of Christ] might clothe herself in [wedding garments] fine linen [robe of glory], bright [translucent] *and* pure [ultimate sanctification], for fine linen represents the righteousnesses [experiential rewards] of [performed by] the saints.

Rev. 19:9 Then he [high ranking angel] said to me: Write! Happinesses to those [winner believers from other dispensations] who are invited to the wedding banquet of the Lamb. Then he said to me: These [eschatological doctrines] are true doctrines from God [verbal plenary inspiration].

Rev. 19:10 Then I fell down before his [the angel's] feet to worship him [emotional subjectivity]. But he shouted to me: Stop doing *that!* I am your fellow slave, along with your brethren [fellow pastors and evangelists] who have the testimony [message] of Jesus [angels also communicate the Word of God in their appointed sphere of influence]. Worship God, for the testimony about Jesus is the spirit [or perceptive insight] of prophecy.

Rev. 19:11 Then I saw heaven open and remain open, and behold, a white horse [symbolizing victory] and the One who was sitting upon it [Jesus Christ] was called Faithful and True. Consequently, He will judge and wage war with justice [every soldier aligned against Israel in the Valley of Megiddo will be killed by the end of the battle of Armageddon].

Rev. 19:12 And His eyes *were like* a flame of fire [Jesus Christ as Judge] and upon His head *were* many crowns, and He has a title which has been written, which nobody [humans or angels] knows except Him.

Rev. 19:13 And He [Jesus Christ] was wearing a robe [symbolizing His strategic victory at the Cross] which had been splattered with blood [symbolizing His tactical victory at Armageddon]. Furthermore, His title has been called in the past and is still called [in the Gospel of John]: The Word of God [eternal Logos: the Shekinah glory of Christ on earth during the Church Age].

Rev. 19:14 And the armies [soldier saints] in heaven [winner believers from every dispensation] followed Him [the celestial Warrior] upon white horses, clothed in pure [ultimate sanctification], white [translucent] linen [robe of glory].

Rev. 19:15 And a sharp broadsword [military victory] proceeds out from His mouth [use of deadly force], so that with it He might strike down [forensic and judicial condemnation] the nations [annihilate their great armies]. Then [after the slaughter at Armageddon] He will govern them with an iron [inflexible] scepter [laws of divine establishment], and He will trample under feet the winepress of the wine [Christ's personal record of kills] of the wrath of the anger of Almighty God [absolute sovereignty].

Rev. 19:16 Furthermore, He has a title which has been written on His robe [military tunic] and thigh [ancient Roman custom]: King of kings [sovereignty over humans] and Lord of lords [sovereignty over the angelic host].

Rev. 19:17 Then I saw one angel [seraph ranked] standing in the sunlight and he shouted with a loud voice to all the birds [vultures, buzzards, ravens] which fly in mid-air: Come here! Be gathered together to the great feast from [provided by] God,

Rev. 19:18 In order that you may eat the corpses of politicians and the corpses of field marshals and the corpses of generals and the carcasses of horses and those sitting upon them [cavalry] and the corpses of all volunteers, as well as draftees and enlisted personnel and officers.

Rev. 19:19 Then I saw the Beast [Antichrist] and the politicians of the earth and their armies gathered together [mobilized] to wage war against the One [Jesus Christ] who is sitting upon the horse and against His army [of saints].

Rev. 19:20 Then the beast [Antichrist] was seized and the False Prophet who performed miracles on his behalf with him, by which [demonic miracles] he had deceived those who had received the mark of the Beast, even those who worshipped his image [*Abomination of Desolation*]. Although they remain alive, these two were thrown into the Lake of Fire which continues to burn with sulphur.

Rev. 19:21 And the remaining [unbelievers at Megiddo] were killed with the broadsword [military victory] of the One [Jesus Christ] who sits upon the horse, which [use of deadly military force] proceeded out from His mouth [Jesus Christ alone slaughters the gathered armies], and all the birds became stuffed [gorged] with their corpses.

Rev. 20:1 Then I saw an angel [the arresting officer & jailer] descending from heaven, having the key to the prison-house of demons and evil spirits [Abyss] and a great chain in his hand [celestial handcuffs and leg-irons].

Rev. 20:2 And he arrested [grabbed] the Dragon [unclean, foul], the ancient Serpent [from the Garden of Eden], who is the Devil [slanderer, maligner], even Satan [the adversary and foe of God], and he bound [imprisoned] him for a thousand years [during the millennium].

Rev. 20:3 Then he [the 5th Trumpet angel] cast him [Satan] into the prison-house of demons and evil spirits [Abyss]. Then he shut and sealed [locked] *it* over him [maximum security] so that he could not deceive the nations any longer until the thousand years were completed. After these things [the millennium], it will be necessary [by divine decree] for him [Satan] to be released [on parole] for a short time.

Rev. 20:4 Then I saw thrones and they [winner believers] sat upon them, and the authority to pass judgment was given to them [as a reward], especially the souls of those [tribulation martyrs] who had been beheaded because of the testimony [gospel message] about Jesus and because of the [eschatological] doctrine of God. In fact, these [tribulation martyrs] did not worship the Beast [Antichrist] or his image and did not receive the mark upon the forehead and upon their hand. Furthermore, they [tribulation martyrs] came to life [resurrected at the 2nd advent] and ruled with Christ [in similar capacity as Church Age believers] for a thousand years,

Rev. 20:5 (the rest of the dead [unbelievers] did not come to life until the thousand years were completed [at the 2nd resurrection]), this resurrection [of believers] *being* the first.

Rev. 20:6 Happiness and holiness to the one who takes part in the first resurrection; against him the second death will not have authority [jurisdiction]. Instead, they shall be priests of God and of Christ [during the millennium]. In fact, they will rule with Him a thousand years.

Rev. 20:7 Now when the thousand years [of the millennium] have been completed, Satan will be released [not rehabilitated] from his prison.

Rev. 20:8 Then he will come out for the purpose of deceiving the nations, those in the four corners [regions] of the earth [global revolution], (Gog [the leader] and Magog [the followers]), to gather them together [concentration of force] for battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea [millions of troops equipped for battle against the Lord].

Rev. 20:9 Then they [Satan's army] marched [began their attack] over the breadth [wide battle formation] of the land [surrounding Israel], and they encircled [strategic envelopment] the fortifications [camp] of the saints and the city which is loved [Jerusalem]. Then fire came down from heaven [counterattack] and consumed them.

Rev. 20:10 And the Devil [Satan, the slanderer and accuser] who had deceived them [the rebellious inhabitants of the earth] was cast into the Lake of Fire and Burning Sulphur [their final destination], along with the Beast [Antichrist] and the False Prophet, and they will be tormented day and night [around the clock] unto the Ages of the Ages [eternity future].

Rev. 20:11 Then I saw a Great White Throne [divine courtroom for sentencing unbelievers] and the One [Jesus Christ as the Judge] who was sitting upon it, from whose presence the earth and heaven have vanished [our universe is far away]. Consequently, no place [beyond GPS capability] was found for them [black hole in space].

Rev. 20:12 Then I saw the dead [unbelievers], the great [famous and successful] and small [little power and influence], standing [in resurrection bodies fitted for wrath] before the throne [awaiting judgment by Christ Jesus]. Then the books [of works and sins] were opened and another book [now contains only the names of those who believed in Jesus Christ] was opened, which is of life [originally had the names of every person who ever lived], and the dead [unbelievers] were judged on the basis of what was written in the books according to their production [their sins and works in life determine the extremity of their suffering throughout eternity].

Rev. 20:13 Then the sea gave up the dead [nephilim: half angel, half human], those in it, also Death [prison for fallen angels] and Hades [prison for unbelieving humans] gave up the dead in them. Then they were judged, individually, according to their production [sins and works].

Rev. 20:14 Then Death [prison for fallen angels] and Hades [prison for unbelieving humans] were cast into the Lake of Fire [final destination for all unbelievers]. This is the second death: the Lake of Fire.

Rev. 20:15 And if anyone [unbeliever] was not found written in the Book of Life [erased], he was cast into the Lake of Fire [final destination for all unbelievers].

Rev. 21:1 Then I saw a New Heaven and a New Earth [the Perfect Age], for the first heaven [original] and the first earth [historical] transmuted and the sea [water] no longer existed.

Rev. 21:2 Then I saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, having been thoroughly prepared like a bride who has been beautifully adorned for her husband [now suspended above the earth].

Rev. 21:3 Then I heard a loud voice out of heaven, saying: Behold, the tabernacle of God [Jesus Christ as the Shekinah glory] *is* with mankind and will dwell with them [as opposed to “in them” during the Church Age], and they shall be His peoples, and God Himself shall be with them,

Rev. 21:4 And He [God the Father] shall wipe all tears [categories of suffering] from your eyes. Furthermore, death [physical] will not exist any longer, nor shall there be mourning [mental anguish, sorrow] nor crying [manifestation of grief] nor pain [weariness from hard work] anymore, because the former things [conditions after the Fall] have passed away [discipline and suffering are gone forever].

Rev. 21:5 Then He [Jesus Christ] who was sitting upon the throne, said: Behold, I will make all things new in quality [improved]. Then He said: Write! Because these doctrines [book of Revelation] are dependable and true.

Rev. 21:6 Then He [Jesus Christ] said to me: It is done [human history is over]. I am the Alpha [God in eternity past] and the Omega [God in eternity future], the beginning [creation of human history in Genesis] and the end [culmination of human history in Revelation]. I will give without cost [free grace] - to him who thirsts [believers only] - from the spring of the water of life [positional: eternal life].

Rev. 21:7 He who continues to overcome [experiential victory] shall inherit these things [special rewards & privileges], and I will be his God and he will be My son [an intimate relationship for winner believers only].

Rev. 21:8 But unbelievers - especially [worse by degree] cowards [timid & unmanly] and those who are detestable [who practice incredibly abominable things] and murderers and fornicators [sexual immorality] and drug abusers [including sorcery & mysticism] and idolaters and all types of pathological liars - their part will be in the lake which continually burns with fire and sulphur, which is the second death.

Rev. 21:9 Then [scene changes from the Perfect Age back to the millennium] one of the seven angels [of the death squad] who had the seven bowls which were full of the seven last plagues returned and spoke with me, saying: Come, I will show you the bride [of Christ], the wife of the Lamb [living in the New Jerusalem].

Rev. 21:10 Then he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and he showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, which was descending out of heaven from God [suspended above the earth],

Rev. 21:11 Having the [Shekinah] glory of God [presence of Jesus Christ], her brilliance like a precious jewel, as a gem which shines like a diamond [unblemished, crystal-clear jasper],

Rev. 21:12 Having a great and high wall, having twelve gates [portals] and twelve angels [doormen] at the gates. Furthermore, names were inscribed upon *them* [the gates], which are the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel.

Rev. 21:13 Three gates on the east [Judah, Issachar, Zebulon] and three gates on the north [Dan, Asher, Naphtali] and three gates on the south [Rubin, Simeon, Gad] and three gates on the west [Ephraim, Manasseh, Benjamin].

Rev. 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations [underlying blocks or stones] and on them were twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Rev. 21:15 Now the one [surveying angel] who spoke with me had a golden measuring [surveying] instrument so that he might measure the city and its gates and its wall.

Rev. 21:16 Furthermore, the city is laid out square and its length *is* as great as the width. Then he [the surveying angel] measured the city with the [measuring] instrument at twelve thousand stadia [approximately 1,400 miles]. Its length and width and height are equal [a perfect cube].

Rev. 21:17 Then he [the angelic surveyor] measured its wall: one hundred forty four cubits [approximately 200 feet high] according to man's measurements, which were identical to the angel's.

Rev. 21:18 Now the construction material of the wall *was* diamond [crystal-clear jasper] and the city *was* pure gold like clear crystal [with reflective properties].

Rev. 21:19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were decorated [adorned] with every kind of precious gem: the first foundation *was* diamond, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald,

Rev. 21:20 The fifth sardonyx, the sixth ruby, the seventh jasper, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth garnet, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst.

Rev. 21:21 And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls. Each one of the gates was out from a single pearl. And the broad avenue [main street] of the city *was* pure gold, as transparent glass.

Rev. 21:22 Furthermore, I did not see a temple in it, for the Lord God [deity of Christ], the Almighty [Omnipotent], even the Lamb, is its temple.

Rev. 21:23 And the city had no need for the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God illuminated it and the Lamb *is* its lamp.

Rev. 21:24 Then the nations will walk by its light, and the kings [rulers] of the earth will bring their honor [worship & thanksgiving] to it [the city where Christ dwells as the Shekinah glory],

Rev. 21:25 And its gates will never, ever be shut during the day, for night will not exist there,

Rev. 21:26 And they will bring the glory and honor of the nations into it.

Rev. 21:27 And no category of unclean thing [refuse] will enter into it [the New Jerusalem], neither one who practices abomination [false religion] or lying [pathological], but only those [elect believers] who were written in the past and stand written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Rev. 22:1 Then he [the angelic surveyor] showed me the river of the water of life, clear as crystal, flowing out from the throne of God [the Father] and from the Lamb [Jesus Christ].

Rev. 22:2 And in the middle of its [the city's] broad avenue and on each side of the river *was* the Tree of Life, which will produce twelve varieties of fruit [prosperity] and will yield its fruit [variety of blessings] during each month [fresh supply]. Moreover, the leaves of the tree [shade] *are* for the healing of the nations [removes conflicts between the nations so they can live in peace].

Rev. 22:3 And there will no longer be any curse [on the earth or against mankind]. Furthermore, the throne of God [the Father] and of the Lamb [Jesus Christ] will be in it [perfect environment during the millennium], and His [the Lamb's] bondslaves will serve Him.

Rev. 22:4 They will both see His [the Lamb's] face and His royal title *will be* on their foreheads.

Rev. 22:5 And there shall no longer be night. Furthermore, they do not have need for light from a lamp or light from the sun, because the Lord God [Jesus Christ] will give them light [from His Shekinah glory] and they shall reign unto the Ages of the Ages [eternity future].

Rev. 22:6 Then [as John's millennial vision came to a close] he said to me: These doctrines [eschatological] *are* dependable [inerrancy] and true [veracity]. Furthermore, the Lord God [Jesus Christ] over the spirits [human] of the prophets has completed His mission of sending His angel for the purpose of making known to His bondslaves the things [summary of events after the tribulation] which must take place with rapidity [executed quickly once the plan begins].

Rev. 22:7 Therefore, behold, I will return with rapidity [imminency of the rapture]. Happy [spiritually prosperous] *is* he who keeps on guarding the doctrines of prophecy [eschatology] of this book [Revelation].

Rev. 22:8 And I, John, *am* the one who heard and saw these things [eschatological events]. Then when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel [worshipping the communicator rather than the Originator of the message] who revealed these things [eschatological events] to me.

Rev. 22:9 Then he [the angel] shouted to me: Stop doing *that!* I am your fellow slave, as well as your brethren, the prophets, and those who keep on guarding the doctrines of this book [direct reference: Revelation, remote reference: entire Bible]. Worship God!

Rev. 22:10 Then he [the angel] said to me: Do not seal up [obscure by spiritualization and other violations of sound biblical hermeneutics] the doctrines of the prophecy of this book [direct reference: Revelation, remote reference: the entire Bible], for the time [fulfillment of the times of the Gentiles] is near.

Rev. 22:11 He who does wrong [indifferent believer] may continue to do wrong indefinitely, and the defiled one [antagonistic believer] may continue to be defiled indefinitely [loss of rewards: wood, hay, stubble]. Moreover, the righteous one [interested believer] may continue to perform righteousness indefinitely, and the holy one [dedicated believer] may continue to be holy indefinitely [rewards: gold, silver, precious stones].

Rev. 22:12 Behold [now hear this], I will return with rapidity [imminency of the rapture] and My reward *will come* with Me [at the Judgment Seat of Christ] for the purpose of paying back [interest on every investment in Bible doctrine] to each person [positive believer] as his [spiritual] production exists.

Rev. 22:13 I Myself *am* the Alpha [deity of Christ] and the Omega [Christ in hypostatic union forever], the First [eternal God] and the Last [terminates human history], the Beginning [Christ as Creator] and the End [evaluates believers and judges unbelievers].

Rev. 22:14 Happinesses [spiritual blessings] to those who keep on washing their robes [remaining in fellowship with the Lord by confessing sins], so that privileged access will be theirs [winner believers only] to the Tree of Life. Furthermore, they may enter into the city [the New Jerusalem] by the gates [honorary access for winners only].

Rev. 22:15 Outside [categories of unbelievers in the Lake of Fire] *are* dogs [male prostitutes] and sorcerers [drug abusers, New Agers] and sexually immoral persons and murderers and idolaters [all categories of illegitimate worship] and everyone who loves [gets a kick out of] and continually practices [as a habitual way of life] pathological lying.

Rev. 22:16 I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you [John on the island of Patmos] these things [eschatological doctrines] for the advantage of the churches. I Myself am the root [both eternal God and source of the future Jewish dynasty], even the seed [descendent] of David [fulfilling the Davidic covenant], the Bright Morning Star [battlefield royalty: winner of the angelic conflict].

Rev. 22:17 Both the Spirit and the bride [Church Age believers] continue to say [in their prayers to the Lord]: Please return! Furthermore, he who understands [believer during the tribulation], let him say: Please return! Meanwhile [until the Lord returns], may the one who is thirsty [for Bible doctrine] return again and again, continually desiring to obtain the water of life as a gift.

Rev. 22:18 I testify [bear witness before the Supreme Court of heaven] to everyone who hears the doctrine of the prophecy of this book [direct reference: Revelation, remote reference: the entire Bible]: If anyone adds to them [prophecies in either Revelation or the rest of the Bible], God will add to him the plagues [intense suffering] which were written in the past and stand written in this book.

Rev. 22:19 Furthermore, if anyone takes away from the doctrine of the prophecy [eschatology] of this book [direct reference: Revelation, remote reference: the entire Bible], God will take away his share from the Tree of Life [loss of reward for the believer] and from the holy city [the New Jerusalem] the things [rewards] which were written in the past and stand written in this book.

Rev. 22:20 He [Jesus Christ] Who communicates these things [Bible doctrines] says: Yes, I will return with rapidity [imminency of the rapture]. So be it. Please return, Lord Jesus!

Rev. 22:21 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ *be* with the saints.