

REVELATION IS THE GOSPEL TRUTH

People all over the world want to know... "What is Truth?"



Note: This is the final teaching on the series, Revelation
Due to the fact we did not complete last week's study, there is some repetition of last week's lesson.

Revelation, along with the rest of God's Word, is centered on the Gospel.

- ***The gospel is the center of gravity for the Old Testament and New Testament.***
- ***It is the gospel that unites the entire word of God.***
- ***The gospel restores the Kingdom.***
- ***Jesus is the Hero of it all...He is the Lord God Almighty, the Alpha and the Omega, The Slain Lamb Standing, THE LORD OF HISTORY.***
- ***All of history is moving toward the restoration of the universe and His people (new heavens and new earth).***

Revelation 22:16-21, "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star." ¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life. ¹⁸ I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this scroll: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this scroll. ¹⁹ And if anyone takes words away from this scroll of prophecy, God will take away from that person any share in the tree of life and in the Holy City, which are described in this scroll. ²⁰ He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. ²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen."

Jeremiah 3:14, "Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:"

Zion = 153 times in the Old Testament

City built 4 Square = God's city can hold 480 Billion of his children (calculated last week) and we will be rocked to sleep by the river of life. (Incidentally, there are a total of 6.9 billion people on earth today).



Old Ship Of Zion *“I was standing by the banks of a river looking out over life’s troubled seas when I saw an old ship that was sailing...Is that the old ship of Zion I see? Its hull was bent and battered from the storms of life I could see...Waves were rough but that old ship kept sailing, “Is that the old ship of Zion I see?”*

*At the stern of the ship was the captain I could hear as he called out my name
Get on board It's the old ship of Zion...It will never pass this way again.
As I step on board I'll be leaving all my troubles and trials behind. I'll be safe
with Jesus the captain sailing out on the old ship of Zion.”*

The Ship of Zion will be large enough to hold you and your family...“

*“One ship sails east, another sails west...by the self-same winds that blow.
‘Tis the set of the sail, and not the gale, that determines the way they go.
And like the winds of the sea are the ways of time, as we journey on through life.
‘Tis the set of the soul, that determines the goal, and not the calm or the strife.”
Anonymous*

Make sure you and your family are on board and have the right boarding pass!

The ticket...Jesus’ Blood and Righteousness.

***Boarding Pass—Belief and Acceptance of Jesus as
Messiah and Resurrected Lord.***

The Last Message and the Last Invitation

***“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say,
Come. And let him that is athirst come, And whosoever will, let him take
the water of life freely” (Revelation 22:17).***

***The Lord Jesus Christ, ever concerned for the souls of lost men
and women, closes His great revelation to the churches with a
challenge for individual men to call upon His name.***

Two (2) entities who invite people to come to Him...the “Spirit” and the “bride.

In addition, He will even use “him that heareth.”

All Christians everywhere should be engaged in saying to men, “Let him that is athirst, come. And whosoever WILL, let him take the water of life freely.”

Jesus Christ, of course, is the water of life.

Come to the “Water of Life”---Open to any person who, by faith, accepts the Risen Christ.

Scriptures:

Genesis 2:8-16

Revelation 22:2

Joel 3:18

Exodus 33:20-23

Proverbs 10:11

Proverbs 3:18

Proverbs 36:9

Proverbs 11:30

Psalms 46:4

Ezekiel 47:7, 12

John 7:37-39

Genesis 2:9

Proverbs 14:27

Genesis 3:22

Ezekiel 47:1-7

John 6:35

Zechariah 14:8

Romans 5:1

Proverbs 13:14

Proverbs 16:2

Proverbs 11:30

The Promise of His Coming is the Last Statement by Our Lord in the Word of God.

- **Our Lord immediately addresses John in Revelation 22...and says, “Behold, I am coming quickly.”**
 - Here is that event, not a time period, which must come to pass, i.e., Christ’s return for the church.
 - Here again is the blessed hope, the coming of Christ for the church which keeps us out of the hour of trial (3:10).

Note three things here about this blessed promise (“Behold, I am coming quickly”).

- 1. It is introduced with “behold.”**
 - ✓ *In the Greek this is a demonstrative particle used to arouse attention and enliven the setting.*
 - ✓ *Christ our Deliverer is coming for us; this will be the most momentous event of our lives.*
- 2. “I am coming” in the Greek is a present tense verb.**
 - ✓ *It is what we call a futuristic or prophetic present to us.*
 - ✓ *This is used of an event which is so certain that it is regarded as already in the process of coming to pass.*
- 3. “Quickly” is the adjective “tachus” which means “swift, quick, speedy.”**

- ✓ *The point is that our Lord is coming, and when He comes, He is coming suddenly, without warning, as a thief who comes without announcement.*

“And whosoever WILL, let him take the water of life freely.”

NOTE: The closing verses of the Bible make it perfectly clear that salvation is a matter of the will.

This means that “whosoever wills not to come” is LOST!

This teaching abounds throughout the Scriptures.

In contrast to those who reject Christ, we encounter the state of the blessed described in verse 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.”

Every individual wants happiness. The way to eternal happiness is to receive Christ as Lord and Savior, which entitles you to:

- 1. Entrance into the holy city,***
- 2. Access to the Tree of Life, and***
- 3. The marvelous blessings of a loving, living God.***

Where we can declare as John declared “Even so, Come Lord Jesus, Come.”



This concludes the teachings in Revelation. Are you more apt to love the book now that you have one year of teaching of this important truth in God’s Word? Conclusions always give us some closure to questions we might have had at the beginning. Are there more questions now than when we started? Hopefully, this study not only has made us aware of how God has everything in control and will be the rewarder of good things in the end...to all those that believe in His promises.

Never close the book of Revelation. Always be ready to study the deeper things of God in which the Holy Spirit will reveal to us. You will find yourself thirsty and hungry for studying the Word of God. Everything in Revelation will reveal itself in the end.

2 Timothy 3:16-17, “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”