### **REVELATION 10**

- 1. When Christ returns to earth, what will He do to Satan?
- -Christ will have Satan bound and thrown into the Abyss or bottomless hole for 1,000 years.
- 2. At the beginning of the thousand-year reign of Christ, who will be left on earth?
- -There will only be a few believers in Christ who were not killed during the seven-year tribulation who will continue to live on earth.
- 3. Why will people die during the 1,000 year reign of Christ?
- -Because they will still have their earthly bodies.
- 4. What is the first death?
- -This is the separation of the spirit from the body.
- -This is the death that all people know.
- 5. What is the second death?
- -This is the eternal separation of the spirit from God.
- -This is eternal death in the Lake of Eternal Fire.
- 6. What is the first resurrection?
- -The first resurrection is only for believers in Christ.
- -The first resurrection is when the body of the Christian is reunited with the spirit.
- 7. Will the body of the Christian that has been

resurrected be the same as the earthly body?

- -It will be the same body, but it will be different.
- -It will be a perfect body that will never die.
- -It will be much like the resurrected body of Christ.
- 8. Who are the rest of the dead who will not come to life until the thousand years will end?
- -These are all people who refuse to believe in God.
- 9. When the 1,000 year rule of Christ is over, what will happen?
- -At the end of the 1,000 year rule of Christ, Satan will be released from the Abyss or bottomless hole.
- 10. After all of the countless people who will reject Christ will be destroyed by fire from heaven, what will the Lord Jesus do to Satan?
- -Christ will throw Satan into the Lake of Eternal Fire where he will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.
- 11. After Satan is thrown into the Lake of Eternal Fire, what will happen?
- -The great white throne judgment.
- 12. What will happen at the great white throne?
- -At the great white throne, God will judge all of the people who have rejected Christ.
- 13. Whom are the dead, great and small, standing before the great white throne?

- -These are all of the people who have ever lived on earth, and who were not resurrected at the first resurrection.
- -These are all of the people who have ever lived on earth, great and small, who have rejected Christ.
- 14. What is the book of life?
- -This is God's book which He has in heaven.
- -In the book of life, there is a place for every name of every person who has ever lived on the earth.
- -In these last two chapters of Revelation we will learn how God will make all things new and give back to believers in Christ what we lost in Adam.
- -In Genesis, we learn that God created the earth for people, and that God put Adam and Eve on earth to reign over all of the creatures.
- -God gave Adam and Eve only one law to obey, but they disobeyed God and listened to Satan.
- -Because Adam and Eve listened to Satan and sinned, Satan became the new ruler of the earth.
- -Because Adam and Eve listened to Satan and sinned, God cursed the earth.
- -Because Adam and Eve listened to Satan and sinned, the earth became a place of trouble, sickness, sadness, and death.

- -But this earth will not continue to be a place of trouble, sickness, sadness, and death.
- -This is because our God will make a new heaven and a new earth.

- 1-Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.
- -God will create a new heaven and a new earth where there will no longer be sin and sadness, sickness and death.
- -Thousands of years ago, God said this through the prophet Isaiah:
- -"See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind" (65:17).
- -Jesus also said this in Luke 21:33:
- -"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."
- -The first heaven and the first earth will pass away, and there will no longer be any sea.

-This is because there will no longer be any need for water on the new, perfect heaven and earth.

### Let's read Revelation 21:2

- 2-I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.
- -The Holy City, the new Jerusalem, will come down out of heaven.
- -The new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven is a picture of finally bringing heaven and earth together.
- -This will not be a city built by people using stone and wood and metal.
- -It is God alone who will build the new Jerusalem, and it will be completely holy without sin.
- -The Word of God calls the new Jerusalem a bride because Christians and God will forever be married together.

# Let's read Revelation 21:3

3-And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God."

- -The new Jerusalem will be where God will have His throne and reign forever.
- -God has always wanted to live with the people whom He has created.
- -The problem has been the sin of people.
- -Because people have sinned, God in His holiness cannot live with them.
- -But in the new heaven and new earth, people are no longer with sin, and God is now able to live once again with people as He lived with Adam and Eve.
- -People who believe in Christ will never again be separated from God.

- 4-"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."
- -Living with God on the new heaven and new earth means that there will be no more tears.
- -Living with God on the new heaven and new earth also means that there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain.

- -We will never again attend the funeral of a Christian who has died, for there will no longer be death.
- -We will never again cry because of injustice for ourselves or others, for there will no longer be injustice nor crying.
- -We will never again have any physical or spiritual hurt, for there will no longer be pain.

#### Let's read Revelation 21:7-8

7-Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

8-But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

- -How are Christians victorious?
- -Through Christ alone.
- -Only Christ is stronger than sin and death.
- -Only Christ is our victory over sin and death.
- -Those in Christ are children of God, and will inherit all of the riches of God Himself.
- -Who are the cowardly?
- -Those who choose self instead of God.

-As we have learned, the second death is an eternity of suffering in the Lake of Eternal Fire.

#### Let's read Revelation 21:22

- 22-I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.
- -Why will there not be a temple in the new Jerusalem?
- -Because the Lord will be with His people at all times.
- -In the Old Testament, Israel worshiped God who was in the tabernacle, and in the New Testament, Israel worshiped God in the temple.
- -This was only to help Israel and all people to understand the holiness of God, for no building can contain God.
- -Some people say that they cannot worship God unless they are in a church building or in a certain place or facing a certain direction.
- -This is not true.
- -God is everywhere, and can be worshiped anywhere.
- -In the new Jerusalem, God will be the temple, that is, He will be living with His people.

- 23-The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.
- -Why will we not need the sun and moon in the new Jerusalem?
- -Because we will live with God who is Light.
- -When Peter, James, and John went with Christ up a high mountain, the light from God shone out through Christ.
- -Jesus' face shone like the sun and His clothes were as white as the light of the sun (Matt 17:2).
- -When Paul was on the road to Damascus, he met the Lord Jesus.
- -The bright light of Christ blinded Paul who said that the light was brighter than the midday sun (Acts 26:13).
- -When John saw a vision of Christ, he said that the face of Christ was like the sun shining in all its brilliance (Rev 1:16).
- -God is Light, and when we will live with God, we will have more light than the sun and the moon can give.

Let's read Revelation 21:24-26

24-The nations will walk by its light, and the kings

of the earth will bring their splendor into it.

25-On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there.

26-The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it.

- -In the new heaven and earth, all people will walk and live by the light of our God.
- -The gates of the new Jerusalem will never be closed because there will no longer be any night.
- -The people of God will not need to sleep at night because we will all have new bodies which will never become tired.

- 27-Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.
- -There will be nothing impure in the new Jerusalem.
- -There will also be no one who will do anything shameful or deceitful.
- -All of the new Jerusalem will be filled with Christians, that is, those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

-In the vision which God gave to John, he also saw a beautiful river with the water of life running through the city.

#### Let's read Revelation 22:1-2a

1-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,

2-down the middle of the great street of the city.

-The river of the water of life which will flow from the throne of God is a picture of what?

-Eternal life flowing from God to all of His people.

-In the Garden of Eden, there was a river that flowed through the garden which is a picture of life.

-In the desert, God provided water from a rock to save Israel.

-The rock is a picture of the Lord Jesus who was struck or killed that we might live.

-The water that came from the rock is a picture of the Lord Jesus giving us the water of life which is eternal life.

Let's read Revelation 22:2b

2-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.

-The most important tree in the Garden of Eden was the tree of life.

-The most important tree in the new Jerusalem will also be the tree of life.

-When Adam and Eve sinned, God sent them out of the Garden of Eden, away from the tree of life.

-Adam and Eve were separated from God and true spiritual life because of their sin.

-In the new Jerusalem, however, all of God's children will be able to eat the fruit of the tree of life and live forever.

### Let's read Revelation 22:3

3-No 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.

-When Adam and Eve sinned, God cursed the earth.

-When the Lord Jesus died on the cross, He paid for our sins and took the curse away.

- -The crown of thorns that the soldiers put on Jesus' head was a sign of the curse.
- -That the Lord Jesus carried the thorns on His head is a picture of Christ carrying the curse and taking it away.
- -This is why there will no longer be a curse on the earth.

### Let's read Revelation 22:4

- 4-They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.
- -When Moses asked to see God's glory, here is what God said to Moses:
- -"You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live" (Ex 33:20).
- -This is because God is extremely holy.
- -Yet, in the new heaven and new earth, we who are Christians will see His face.
- -What does it mean to see the face of God?
- -It means that with our new bodies we will see the face of God, the Lord Jesus.
- -It also means that we will be able to look into the heart of God, and understand Him as we have never

understood before.

- -What does it mean that God's children will have His name written on their foreheads?
- -That we are His and that we will belong to Him forever.

- 5-There 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.
- -As we learned earlier, there will no longer be night in the world because our God is more light than the sun and the moon.
- -Christians with the Lord Jesus will reign for ever and ever, and the world will finally be perfect.
- -Since the beginning of time, God has always wanted people and the world to be perfect.
- -When the new heaven and the new earth begin, God will have finally finished the work that He started thousands of years ago to have a perfect world with perfect people.
- -We have now reached the end of Revelation where God gives us some final words of encouragement and warning.

### Let's read Revelation 22:6-7

- 6-The angel said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God who inspires the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place."
- 7-"Look, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy written in this scroll."
- -All that is written in the Bible is trustworthy and true.
- -This is because God Himself has written the Bible through His people.
- -As we read in 2 Timothy 3:16:
- -"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,"
- -All that is in written in the book of Revelation that we have studied will certainly happen soon.
- -Jesus is coming soon because in the sight of God, a thousand years is like one day.
- -And we will be greatly blessed if we read and study and learn the Word of God.

- 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.
- -No one should ever add nor take away from any part of the Word of God.
- -This is because all of the words in the Bible are the words that God Himself gave to people to be written down.
- -The Bible is God's complete message to all people everywhere throughout the world.
- -Many people have written other books, saying that they are from God.
- -These books are not from God, but from Satan.
- -There is only one book from God, and it is the Bible.