

Message Notes

Series: How close are we to the end?

Message: The end of the beginning

Passage: Revelation 21-22

Intro:

Now, we come to the best part: the end of the beginning- eternity with Jesus on the New Earth.

Remember, God never intended for humanity to die, suffer or experience loss and pain. Those things came because of sin-our sin- all of humanities sin pouring into a pool that created a curse on the land and in our bodies.

Sin in the Garden of Eden, Paradise, affected the whole earth and continues to do so. Creation groans today because of the curse of sin.

Romans 8: 20-22

But sin will not have the last word!

21: 1

The Greek word, "kainos" means n_____d_____ from what was, s_____.

21: 2

This new city will be adorned like a b_____ for her husband-pure, radiant, elegant, stunning.

21: 3

"God will dwell with them"= in the past, God was unseen, felt but not visible to the human eye. In this new city, God's p_____ will be seen, experienced, felt, enjoyed and be permanent.

21: 4

C_____, p_____, m_____, grief, sadness, depression, death-they are all gone, never to return!

21: 5-8

Suddenly, God speaks: "out with the o_____, in with the n_____!"

V. 6:

“done”= the word used means a p_____ finality that has finally arrived.

God’s promises are true! They have the final say.

Isaiah 46: 10

1 John 5:4-5

Rev 12: 11

Failure to accept grace has d_____ consequences (Rev. 21:8).

Rev 21: 9-10

See John 14: 1-4

The city beams with the b_____ of God’s glory. This glory is the “Shekinah” glory of God-his fiery presence.

21: 11

“Jasper” is not the jasper stone we know today but refers to a perfectly clear, unblemished d_____.

21: 12-13

Upon these gates are written the names of the 12 t_____ of Israel, representing the totality of the Old Testament people of God.

Upon the foundations are written the names of the 12 a_____ representing the church of the New Testament.

21: 15-17

The city is nearly 1_____ miles along one wall.

21: 18-21

It is also clear-t_____.

V. 21: The pearl represents p_____ resulting in b_____.

21: 22

There will be no unique b_____ to worship God in. This is not needed as we will live in the presence of the Lord constantly.

21: 23-27

Before the sun and stars and moon, there was _____ in Genesis 1. This light was God's glory.

22: 1-5

When God created the original earth, there would be:

*s _____ with no locks

*f _____ with no famine

*w _____ with no toil

*c _____ without weeds

*r _____ without conflict

22: 6-7

There is a b _____ promised to those who respond (heed not hear) to these promises of God.

22: 8-11:

John is also reminded that this prophecy is meant to be read, studied, applied and not put on a s _____.

22: 12-16

Jesus makes 5 declarations:

One: I am coming q _____.

Two: My r _____ is with me.

Three: I am the A _____ and O _____, the first and the last, the beginning and the end

Fourth, Blessed are those who w _____ their robes..."

Fifth, I am the r _____ of David, the bright morning star.

22: 17

"C _____!" Last words are very important. Revelation is a call to come out of the pollution of culture and walk in righteousness with God.

22: 18-19

God is very s_____ about His inspired word.

22: 20-21

The book ends with a b_____. It was an ancient custom for leaders to dismiss a congregation or close a letter with a "good word," a blessing.

The word, "amen" comes from a Hebrew exclamation based on a verb that means, "to confirm, support, uphold, to be certain."