

# Study Notes for Revelation 21-22

## Chapter 21

- In the timeline of Last Day's events, when does the new heaven and new earth come about?
- **Verse 1** says there will be "no sea" in the new earth. What possible figurative interpretation could be meant in this case?
- What does John see in **verses 2** and following?
- What does the voice from the throne say in John's hearing in **verse 3**?
- Note: **Dwelling** (21:3). Literally, "tent." This is the word used in the Greek Old Testament for the tabernacle in which God's presence, the pillar of cloud and fire, dwelt (see Exodus 40:34–35). The rabbis called the presence the Shekinah (from the Hebrew *shakan*, "to dwell").
- **Revelation 21:3** records the fulfillment of a series of Old Testament prophecies. What does each passage promise?
  - Leviticus 26:11–12; Ezekiel 37:27; Ezekiel 48:35
- **Revelation 21:4** renews the promise made in Isaiah 25:8 and 1 Corinthians 15:54. What are the implications of this for you?
- What do you think it means that "To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life" (Revelation 21:6)?
- What is significant about John not seeing "a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple" (21:22)?
- What is implied by the fact that the city's gates will never be shut (see 21:25)? For what reasons does a city shut its gates?
- How is it important that God and the Lamb are paired in these verses? (see 21:23; 22:1, 3)?

## Chapter 22

- What important truths have you learned about the kingdom of God from **21:1–22:6**?
- What ideas are repeated in **22:7, 10, 12, 20**?
- What do you think is the point of **22:11** in context?
- What do you think it means to "keep the words of the prophecy written in this scroll"?

- Explain who is blessed and what is promised them in **22:14**.
- What would you like to take to heart from **22:7–21**?
- If you had to tell someone in a couple of sentences what Revelation is about, what would you say?
- What do you think is the most important lesson you have learned from studying Revelation?
- Have you changed in any ways as a result of studying Revelation? If so, how?