

New Jerusalem – The Lamb's Bride Wife

⁹ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, ¹¹ having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal.

¹² Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: ¹³ three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west.

¹⁴ Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

¹⁵ And he who talked with me had a gold reed to measure the city, its gates, and its wall.

¹⁶ The city is laid out as a square; its length is as great as its breadth. And he measured the city with the reed: twelve thousand furlongs. Its length, breadth, and height are equal.

¹⁷ Then he measured its wall: one hundred and forty-four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of an angel.

¹⁸ The construction of its wall was of jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

¹⁹ The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds of precious stones: the first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, ²⁰ the fifth sardonyx, the sixth sardius, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst.

²¹ The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

The Glory of the New Jerusalem

²² But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

²³ The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

²⁴ And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it.

²⁵ Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night there). ²⁶ And they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it.

Excluded

27 But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

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Facts Revealed:

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- ✚ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the **bride**, the **Lamb's wife**." [Revelation 21:9]
- ✚ And **he carried me away in the Spirit** to a great and high mountain, and showed me the **great city, the holy Jerusalem**, descending out of heaven from God, **having the glory of God**. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. [Revelation 21:10-11]
 - ✧ Again John is transported by the Spirit.
 - ✧ The **Bride Wife of the Lamb** is the great city Holy (New) Jerusalem.
 - ✧ The clothing of the city is the **righteous acts of the Saints**. [Revelation 19:7-8]
 - ✧ The city is aglow with the **glory of God**, like precious stones **clear as crystal**.
- ✚ Also she had a great and **high wall** with **twelve gates**, and **twelve angels at the gates**, and names written on them, which are the **names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel**: three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. [Revelation 21:12-13]
- ✚ Now the **wall of the city had twelve foundations**, and on them were the names of the **twelve apostles of the Lamb**. [Revelation 21:14]
 - ✧ The city is 1,377 miles high, but the high WALL is much shorter 216 feet high, but still is called a high wall, High compared to a man, but very low compared to the height of the City. [Revelation 21:15-17]
 - ✧ The city is square, 1,377 miles wide, long, and high.
 - ✧ The **twelve Gates** of the City are named according to the **twelve tribes of the Children of Israel**.
 - ✧ The **twelve foundations of the Wall** are named according to the **twelve Apostles** of the Lamb.
 - ✧ Here again, like the twenty four Elders before the Throne of God, the Twelve foundations and the Twelve gates represent the same twenty four. Both Old Testament and New Testament Patriarchs are shown together as the foundation and gates of the City of the Saints.
- ✚ The construction of its **wall was of jasper**; and the **city was pure gold**, like clear glass. [Revelation 21:18]
 - ✧ The finest gold today is 24% pure and yellow gold in appearance.
 - ✧ The gold of the Holy City New Jerusalem is 100% pure, making it transparent like glass.
 - ✧ The foundations of the wall named after the twelve Apostles of the Lamb, each has its own adornment of precious stones: [Revelation 21:14, 19-21]
 1. Jasper
 2. Sapphire
 3. Chalcedony
 4. Emerald
 5. Sardonyx
 6. Sardius
 7. Chrysolite
 8. Beryl
 9. Topaz
 10. Chrysoprase

- 11. Jacinth
- 12. Amethyst

† The **twelve gates** were **twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl.**

And the street of the city was **pure gold, like transparent glass.** [Revelation 21:21]

The Glory of the New Jerusalem

† But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. [Revelation 21:22]

✧ There is no structure anywhere that can contain God, as Solomon declared:

"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? **Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain You. How much less this temple which I have built!**" [1 Kings 8:27-28]

✧ The near presence of God and the Lamb will fill the City and the New Heaven and New Earth, and the people everywhere will constantly live in His glorious presence.

† The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it.

The Lamb is its light. [Revelation 21:23]

✧ At the time of Creation, God said, "Let there be light on the first day, and there was light all around the earth until God commanded the light and darkness into being making the first twenty four hour day. The sun, moon, and stars were not even made until the 4th day.

✧ The light of God in the beginning is the same light that will fill the New Heaven and Earth.

✧ The light of the Lord from New Jerusalem will lighten the entire earth.

† And the **nations of those who are saved** shall walk in its light, and the **kings of the earth** bring their glory and honor into it. [Revelation 21:24]

✧ Suddenly we realize that the New Earth is populated by the saved Saints, and they are not all residing in the City New Jerusalem.

✧ Those who are city dwellers will dwell in cities, and the country dwellers will dwell in the country.

✧ There will be governing bodies of nations around the New Earth as kings of the earth bring their treasures into the City, New Jerusalem.

✧ There will be no one except those who are the Saved of God on the New Earth.

✧ For all eternity the glorified Saints will possess total creative knowledge, as Paul said, "Now we know in part, but then we will know fully just as we are fully known." [1 Corinthians 13:12]

† Its **gates shall not be shut at all** by day (there shall be no night there). And **they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it.** [Revelation 21:25-26]

✧ Eternal day flourishing in Divine Light will be the experience of Eternal Life provided by God through Messiah Jesus our Lord.

✧ The glorious produce of the nations will continually flow into the New Jerusalem.

Excluded

† But **there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie,** but **only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.** [Revelation 21:27]

✧ Sin will be forever gone and only holiness in truth will exist.

✧ All evil has been cast into the Lake of Fire to never touch the New Earth or Holy City, therefore nothing evil will be there to enter the New Jerusalem. [Revelation 20:11-14]

✧ The earth is populated only by the Saints whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life with totally new hearts and minds.

✧ What a glorious promise to look forward to, and it encourages us today as we struggle to survive in this wicked world until the New World comes. It is all in God's timing, but just as sure as His Word.

✧ May we live now for Him in such a way that we will be found worthy in His sight to be listed in the Book of Life of the Lamb.