

REVELATION 21  
(Authorized Version)

1) AND I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: FOR THE FIRST HEAVEN  
AND THE FIRST EARTH WERE PASSED AWAY; AND THERE WAS NO MORE SEA.

Religion says there will be another earth that will be created, that this earth will be burnt up, and everything in it. The Bible is full of symbols. Isaiah explains what the heavens and earth represent; Isaiah 65:17,18:

17) FOR BEHOLD I CREATE A NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH, AND THE  
FORMER THINGS SHALL NOT BE REMEMBERED OR COME INTO MIND.

18) BUT BE YE GLAD AND REJOICE FOREVER IN THAT WHICH I CREATE.  
FOR BEHOLD I CREATE JERUSALEM A REJOICING, AND HER PEOPLE A JOY.

Jerusalem is the new heavens. So here heavens and earth symbolize what is invisible and invisible; the invisible and visible ruling elements. Because concerning the literal earth HE says plainly in Ecclesiastes 1:4: "The earth abides forever." And another place "HE created it not in vain; HE created it to be inhabited." ( ) "The meek shall inherit the earth." (Matt. 5:5) "The earth will HE give to the children of men." ( ) "The heaven is MY throne, and the earth is MY footstool." (Is 66:1) "I will make the place of MY feet glorious." (Is 60:13) YAHWEH didn't make a mistake when HE created the earth; the earth did not disobey because it is not a free moral agent; the earth is an inanimate object, a planet that follows its prescribed course as YAHWEH has set it in the heavens, it is guilty of nothing. It is ridiculous and unreasonable and childish for any grown person to apply guilt to an inanimate planet. These are some of the devil's teachings to try to deceive you and make you lose the understanding of YAHWEH'S original plan. So what is actually done away with is disobedience. And HE doesn't need to create another planet to do it. HE says in verse 1:

THE FIRST HEAVEN AND THE FIRST EARTH WERE PASSED AWAY; AND THERE  
WAS NO MORE SEA.

Isaiah 57:20 brings out:

THE WICKED ARE AS THE RESTLESS SEA.

The sea symbolizes the restlessness or the restless people. They have no rest. This is not only the willfully wicked, but also those living in the wicked system who are not at ease. Anyone living in this system can't be at ease because it doesn't provide peace of mind, and security. It cannot because it is selfishly oriented, so if it thinks of itself, it doesn't think of anyone else, so how can we feel secure? When the new ruling element in the heavens replaces the old (which it has) and when the new ruling element on earth replaces the present politicians, big business and the religionists (replaced by Israel; the 200,000,000 of HIS choosing) then there will be no more 'sea' or restless humanity. II Peter 3:13:

I SAW A NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH WHEREIN DWELLETH RIGHTEOUSNESS.

The point emphasized is the righteousness showing that the present system is unrighteous. Must I harp on this system to prove it is unrighteous?

Anyone with a measure of intelligence can see it. This is what YAHWEH is going to do away with. Anyone siding up with this unrighteous, wicked system is demonized. It means he is influenced by the devil and not condemned by us, or anyone else but we just say he is under the power of the devil and he better get out, The only way is by finding the truth. I don't care what they preach--if they are part of this world they are part of the devil's organization, and they are possessed by the devil. But Israel comes out.

2) AND I JOHN SAW THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM, COMING DOWN FROM GOD OUT OF HEAVEN, PREPARED AS A BRIDE ADORNED FOR HER HUSBAND.

HE is speaking of the new heavens which is the New Jerusalem, and it is going to explain in highly symbollic terms what constitutes the New Jerusalem. HE put it in such a way that it has gone over the heads of all the so-called wise men and scholars who have trusted in their own intelligence rather than seeking YAHWEH'S spirit, and have been side-tracked by the devil because their motivations were not to honor YAHWEH, but rather to honor themselves by impressing people with their vast knowledge. They are "wise in their own conciets" and this is where they trip. Israel is not trying to show off, but are endeavoring to find the facts and inform all of good will about YAHWEH'S Purpose, and what will happen to this world.

3) AND I HEARD A GREAT VOICE OUT OF HEAVEN SAYING, BEHOLD THE TABERNACLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM, AND THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF SHALL BE WITH THEM, AND BE THEIR GOD.

The Revised Standard Version brings out:

3) AND I HEARD A LOUD VOICE FROM THE THRONE SAYING, BEHOLD, THE DWELLING OF GOD IS WITH MEN. HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM, AND THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF WILL BE WITH THEM;

Many think because of this scripture GOD will come down to earth and become a man and live with us. Yet YAHWEH says "What is man that thou art mindfull of him? You have made him a little lower than the angels." (Ps. 8:4,5) Now YAHWEH is All-Mighty and All-Wise, from everlasting to everlasting, HE never had a beginning, and will never have an end, so how could this be literally true that HE will descend on earth and become lower than the angels, so that HE would be in subjection to the angels? This would mean that the whole purpose to know YAHWEH'S Will, so that we may worship HIM; has been turned topsy-turvy because if HE becomes a man, then HE must take instructions from above because HE would be lower than the angels. Now some scriptures, Exodus 33:19,20, where YAHWEH is speaking to Moses:

19) I WILL MAKE ALL MY GOODNESS PASS BEFORE YOU, AND WILL PROCLAIM BEFORE YOU MY NAME THE LORD; AND I WILL BE GRACIOUS TO WHOM I WILL BE GRACIOUS, AND WILL SHOW MERCY ON WHOM I WILL SHOW MERCY.

20) BUT YOU CAN NOT SEE MY FACE FOR NO MAN SHALL SEE ME AND LIVE.

YAHWEH shows that it was actually HIS Goodness that would pass before Moses. In other words anyone who would be put in such a position where he could see GOD, he wouldn't live. He would die, because you can't begin to

imagine the magnificance of the All-Mighty who controls not only the earth and this solar system, but the entire universe. HE doesn't depend on gravity to hold HIM on earth. HE is not subject to a planet, or any power, HE is supreme, and all things are under HIS control. Whatever is out of control is only by HIS permission--for example HE permits the devil to rule, HE permits you to experience wickedness, because it will be for the edification of those who want to distinguish between right and wrong. If HE wanted HE could wipe out this wickedness in the flash of a second. But HE doesn't because if HE did you would never see the other side, so HE must allow wickedness to endure, it is here by GOD'S permission, not because HE is not supreme. The devil has nothing on YAHWEH but is rather used by GOD as the great instructor on what not to do, and he will go down forever.  
John 1:17,18:

17) FOR THE LAW WAS GIVEN BY MOSES BUT GRACE AND TRUTH CAME BY JESUS CHRIST.

18) NO MAN HAS SEEN GOD AT ANY TIME; THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, WHICH IS IN THE BOSOM OF THE FATHER, HE HATH DECLARED HIM.

This means Yahshua told you about the GATHER, but "no man has seen GOD at any time." You can not see GOD and live. As HE said in Exodus, and so John is saying no man has seen GOD but the Son has declared HIM. This means the Son has told us about HIM. I John 4:7-14:

7) BELOVED, LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER: FOR LOVE IS OF GOD; AND EVERYONE THAT LOVETH IS BORN OF GOD, AND KNOWETH GOD,

8) HE THAT LOVETH NOT KNOWETH NOT GOD; FOR GOD IS LOVE.

9) IN THIS WAS MANIFESTED THE LOVE OF GOD TOWARD US, BECAUSE THAT GOD SENT HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON INTO THE WORLD THAT WE MIGHT LIVE THROUGH HIM.

10) HEREIN IS LOVE, NOT THAT WE LOVED GOD, BUT THAT HE LOVED US, AND SENT HIS SON TO BE THE PROPITIATION FOR OUR SINS.

11) BELOVED, IF GOD SO LOVED US, WE OUGHT ALSO TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

12) NO MAN HATH SEEN GOD AT ANY TIME. IF WE LOVE ON ANOTHER, GOD DWELLETH IN US, AND HIS LOVE IS PERFECTED IN US.

This shows you have never seen HIM and you never will see HIM. In Revelation 1:16 HE says:

AND HE HAD IN HIS RIGHT HAND SEVEN STARS: AND OUT OF HIS MOUTH WENT A SHARP TWO-EDGED SWORD.

This is Yahshua, the Son of GOD, the resurrected, spiritual Yahshua:

AND HIS COUNTENANCE WAS AS THE SUN SHINETH IN HIS STRENGTH.

Also evidence of this when Yahshua appeared to Paul, He made Himself visible to him, says His body was actually brighter than the noonday sun. In Acts 9:3 it says:

- 3) AND AS HE JOURNEYED, HE CAME NEAR DAMASCUS AND SUDDENLY THERE SHINED ROUND ABOUT HIM A LIGHT FROM HEAVEN.
- 4) AND HE FELL TO THE EARTH, AND HEARD A VOICE SAYING UNTO HIM, 'SAUL, SAUL WHY PERSECUTEST THOU ME?'
- 5) AND HE SAID, 'WHO ART THOU, LORD?' AND THE LORD SAID, 'I AM JESUS WHOM THOU PERSECUTEST.'

This was when Paul had been traveling before he understood the truth. Also in Acts 22:6-9 Paul is relating this event to others:

- 6) AND IT CAME TO PASS, THAT AS I MADE MY JOURNEY, AND WAS COME NIGH UNTO DAMASCUS, ABOUT NOON, SUDDENLY THERE SHONE FROM HEAVEN A GREAT LIGHT ROUND ABOUT ME.
- 7) AND I FELL TO THE GROUND, AND HEARD A VOICE SAYING UNTO ME 'SAUL, SAUL WHY PERSECUTEST THOU ME?'
- 8) AND I ANSWERED 'WHO ART THOU, LORD?' AND HE SAID UNTO ME 'I AM JESUS OF NAZERETH, WHOM THOU PERSECUTEST.'

This means He was a bright, shining indistinguishable light, indistinguishable in any form that we would understand. Now in Acts 26:12-16, HE says:

- 12) WHERE UPON AS I WENT TO DAMASCUS WITH AUTHORITY AND COMMISSION FROM THE CHIEF PRIESTS.
- 13) AT MIDDAY, O KING, I WAW IN THE WAY A LIGHT FROM HEAVEN, ABOVE THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE SUN.

In other words, it was brighter than the noon-day sun;

- 13) SHINING ROUND ABOUT ME AND THEM WHICH JOURNEYED WITH ME.
- 14) AND WHEN WE WERE ALL FALLEN TO THE EARTH, I HEARD A VOICE SPEAKING IN THE HEBREW TONGUE, SAUL, SAUL, WHY PERSECUTETH THOU ME? IT IS HARD FOR THEE TO KICK AGAINST THE PRICKS.
- 15) AND I SAID, WHO ART THOU, LORD? AND HE SAID, I AM JESUS WHOM THOU PERSECUTEST.
- 16) BUT RISE, AND STAND UPON THY FEET: FOR I HAVE APPEARED UNTO THEE FOR THIS PURPOSE, TO MAKE THEE A MINISTER AND A WITNESS BOTH OF THESE THINGS WHICH THOU HAST SEEN, AND OF THOSE THINGS IN WHICH I WILL APPEAR UNTO THEE;

So here is an indication of the appearance of a spiritual body. It wasn't with full force, it wasn't as close because the light was only as bright as the noon-day sun. But if He had come that close Paul wouldn't have lived--no one could live along side of that tremendous power and radiance that belongs to YAHWEH and HIS Heavenly creatures. Can you imagine the power that could control a planet? Or the whole solar system or the universe? I can't even begin to figure it out. If someone so magnificent, (magnificence without measure) were to stand beside a miserable human creature, you would

be finished, you couldn't stand it. We are not made to stand next to that type of body. So HE states "no man can see GOD and live." (Ex. 33)

Back to Revelation 21; HE still states here:

3) AND I HEARD A GREAT VOICE OUT OF HEAVEN SAYING, BEHOLD THE TABERNACLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM AND THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE. AND GOD SHALL BE WITH THEM AND BE THEIR GOD.

If it is impossible to see HIM then how could HE be next to us? If HE was going to be a man, the teachings of HIS Position are inconsistent because HE would be "lower than the angels" and would be submissive to the heavens, it just doesn't add up. So what does HE mean "dwelling with us"? Well, there are some parts of Isaiah that begin to clarify this; Isaiah 65:23-25 says:

23) THEY SHALL NOT LABOR IN VAIN OR BEAR CHILDREN FOR CALAMITY, FOR THEY SHALL BE THE OFFSPRING OF THE BLESSED OF THE LORD, AND THEIR CHILDREN WITH THEM.

24) AND BEFORE THEY SHALL CALL I WILL ANSWER, WHILE THEY ARE YET SPEAKING, I WILL HEAR.

25) THE WOLF AND THE LAMB SHALL FEED TOGETHER AND THE LION WILL EAT STRAW LIKE THE OX, AND DUST SHALL BE THE SERPENTS FOOD, THEY SHALL NOT HURT NOR DESTROY IN ALL MY HOLY MOUNTAIN, SAYS THE LORD.

This shows there is communication because HE says "before they call I will answer." Does that mean HE must be on earth? Did anyone hear a prayer? Did HE have to be in front of you before you could talk to HIM, before you pray? "The desire of the righteous causes his mouth to open in supplication and prayer that righteousness may be established." ( ) And HE says "before you call, I will answer." This shows their desires will be fulfilled, this means there is a communication as though HE were right here listening to us. But since HE is All-wise, and All-mighty, HE doesn't have to be in front of you to hear you. Man has invented radio and television, and can speak across hundreds and thousands of miles, so what do you suppose YAHWEH could do? Does HE have to be in front of you to hear you? HE is not hard of hearing! Isaiah 54:8 says "In overflowing wrath for a moment I hid MY face from you." Now they never saw HIS face before, but now HE says HE hid HIS face from them. This means HE stopped communication HE originally entertained with them. Why? Because HE was angry. Before HE wasn't angry, HE communicated with them. But no one literally saw HIS face, HE told that to Moses at the very outset, and said "no one can see GOD and live." Isaiah 58 continues "but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you, says the LORD, our REDEEMER." It didn't say that they would literally see HIS face, but it says HE will have compassion on them. How? By beginning to bring about their blessings and restore them and cause rejoicing. "I hid MY face, now I will have compassion on you." This shows that hiding HIS face meant that HE would remove HIS blessing from them, no literal face to be seen, or not seen, and it wouldn't make a difference whether you did or didn't see HIM because you wouldn't understand anyhow. all you would see is a tremendous light that would destroy you anyhow. What good would it do? The only thing you could understand is HIS expressions; that which HE makes clear to HIS People. "But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your GOD and your sins have hid HIS face from you." (Is. 59:2) Again there is a separation, they would never see

HIS face in the first place, but his sins have caused you not to see HIS face, showing that your sins have caused HIM to remove HIMSELF from you, HIS blessing from you, to cease communicating and dealing and having anything to do with you. HE told the israelites in Jeremiah that "HE was through with them and to submit to the king of babylon." This shows HE would no longer deal with them, HE removed HIMSELF from them, HE would no longer communicate with HIS People. "There is one that calls upon THY NAME that bestirs himself to take hold of THEE, but THOU hast hid THY face from us and hast delivered us into the had our our iniquities." This was the same that when YAHWEH removed HIMSELF, it was as though HE covered HIS face from them. This means they could no longer make contact with HIM. It is like a person you are trying to see and can't see, who is angry wit you and you can never see his face, make contact, or communicate with him. "Like the east wind I will scatter them before the enemy, I will show them my back, not MY face in the day of their calamity." So what is the difference if they see HIS back or face? When you see a persons back he has rejected you, like trying to talk to someone and he turns his back and walks away. You would be rejected, he doesn't want to hear you. "I will turn MY back" means I will no longer want to hear you, shut you off, "and will not turn MY face" or communicate with you as I did previously "because you have sinned." It means I will no longer deal with you because you have disobeyed ME. "The chaldeans are coming in to fight and to fill with their dead bodies of men who I will smite in MY anger, and MY wrath. For I have hidden MY face from this city because of all their wickedness." So what happens when HE hides HIS face? They didn't see and I will repeat; they never did see it. And now HE hides HIS face from them and the chaldeans (under Nebechanezzar) are coming and conquering. Is that because they were looking at HIS face before and didn't see it now? Or is it because HE removed HIS blessing and protective hand from them? When you see HIS face, it symbolizes that you are communicating with HIM, HE is dealing with you, paying attention to you and listening to your supplications. Whereas if HE hides HIS face, turns HIS back, HE is no longer dealing with you. As far as this world is concerned, they don't see HIS face or understand HIM, HE has no dealings with these nations. And HE is turning HIS face to Israel and blessing HIS People who will understand in the proper way. So YAHWEH will never be seen but HIS spirit will communicate with HIS People and we will be able to do HIS will through understanding. Micah 3:4 says:

THEN THEY WILL CRY TO THE LORD BUT HE WILL NOT ANSWER THEM. HE WILL HIDE HIS FACE FROM THEM AT THAT TIME BECAUSE THEY HAVE MADE THEIR DEEDS EVIL.

This all happened to Jerusalem, they never saw HIS face literally. But all the time HE turns away from them, HE symbolically refers to it as hiding HIS face. Now how could HE be hiding HIS face if they never saw it in the first place literally. Let's reason, they never saw it, no literal face that HE is removing that they once saw. The answer is in symbols, that HE is removing HIS blessing from them. Now David says "How long, O LORD, will thou forget me, forever? How long will THOU hide THY face from me?" This was the cry of the righteous ones who want to have an answer, to feel secure that they have met with YAHWEH'S Approval, and HE knows they exist, that HE has a plan for them, and if they wait for a long time and get no answer, they become like David saying "How long, O LORD, wilt THOU forget me forever? How long wilt THOU hide THY face from me?" This means HIS face will appear when HE doesn't forget them anymore, when HE remembers to visit them, begins to bless them, heal them. We find that "when Jerusalem is created, her people a joy." (Is. 65:17,18) and when YAHWEH has symbolically referred to as "dwelling with them" (meaning they will see HIS face symbolically, that HE begins to deal with the human race) there is a change

that will take place on the earth; not that HE is coming down here, but HE is showing favor to Israel.

4) AND GOD SHALL WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS FROM THEIR EYES; AND THERE SHALL BE NO MORE DEATH, NEITHER SORROW, NOR CRYING, NEITHER SHALL THERE BE ANY MORE PAIN: FOR THE FORMER THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY.

Literal? Is GOD going to walk around the earth and take off your glasses and wipe the tears from your eyes? Silly! This means HE will remove that which brings sadness to your heart. Why? Because you are living under a curse and HE will remove this curse and bless the human race--the greatest curse is death and there will be no more death. "Neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be anymore pain, for the former things have passed away." This means all the bad things you are experiencing now will no longer exist. All the misery, agony, heartache, hopelessness, stupidity, ignorance of all the nations, competition, fighting, enmity, between the unrighteous and the righteous, will disappear forever. This is done when YAHWEH symbolically shows HIS face; to deal with us, to begin to bless us.

5) AND HE THAT SAT UPON THE THRONE SAID, BEHOLD I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW. AND HE SAID UNTO ME, WRITE: FOR THESE WORDS ARE TRUE AND FAITHFUL.

It says "all things" not just the system of things, doing away with politics, commerce and religion, but it will change everything that afflicts mankind today. Not only will you be living in a perfect system, but you will have perfect health, happiness and everlasting life, living in a paradise created by YAHWEH and enjoyed by an obedient race of people. Obedient because they are a people of understanding. No one can obey if they don't understand and Israel alone understands and by doing HIS Will they will further HIS interests and build under HIS direction, that which HE has purposed for mankind--they won't build their own, because they are intelligent enough to follow YAHWEH who now turns HIS face in our direction.

6) AND HE SAID UNTO ME, IT IS DONE. I AM THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA, THE BEGINNING AND THE END. I WILL GIVE UNTO HIM THAT IS ATHIRST OF THE FOUNTAIN OF THE WATER OF LIFE FREELY.

HE is the beginning and the end. The water of life is a symbol of the truth. Revelation 22:1 says:

HE SHOWED ME A RIVER OF WATER OF LIFE CLEAR AS CRYSTAL, PROCEEDING OUT OF THE THRONE OF GOD AND OF THE LAMB.

Proceeding out of the throne of YAHWEH, and the Lamb, means the source of truth is from the heavens. And His People who partake of truth will receive HIS blessing, be healed and gain everlasting life. Even though blessings proceed from the heavens, everyone does not partake of the blessed waters. There is truth on earth but the majority of the world rejects the truth because the devil is the god of this world, and has offered them something else which conflicts with the truth. Though truth is right, they choose that which the devil offers because they are not seeking hard enough to see where their understanding is inconsistent with love, justice, wisdom and power of the All-mighty GOD. All they would have to do

is sincerely search. Does the teachings of this church, or man, honor YAHWEH? Make HIM a GOD of love and justice? Or does it make HIM appear as a demon GOD who enjoys seeing people die? If HE is a GOD of this world, then HE is enjoying these wars, sicknesses and deaths? Many believe HE would throw people in the flames and torture them forever. But examine these teachings; see if they are in harmony with a GOD of love and justice and wisdom and power. That they are consistent and the one who originated these teachings is trying to reproach the All-mighty YAHWEH, and religion is accepted that which reproaches YAHWEH, and even teaches it, and fights the truth, this shows they are fully possessed by the devil and better about-face or be destroyed forever because they will have to give account for what they do and why.

7) HE THAT OVERCOMETH SHALL INHERIT ALL THINGS; AND I WILL BE HIS GOD, AND HE SHALL BE MY SON.

This shows there is something to overcome. The scripture brings out: "You shall be hated of all nations for My Namesake." (Matt. 24:9) But in religion there is nothing to overcome. You dress up, go to church; listen to a sermon, pay your fee, and go home. Nobody has anything against you, governments don't hate you because you conform to this world, you are at peace. But Israel takes up their cross and follows Him and meets with resistance; it's the other way around with the True LORD'S People. Just as they killed our King, they will hate us because we are not going the way of the world. And yet those who do endure, who are hated of all nations, are made to look as criminals, are the ones who will inherit all things. Those who are part of the world and enjoying its blessings and are fighting the LORD'S People, are the ones that will have no remembrance "their memory shall rot." YAHWEH says concerning these; when something rots, it won't be found anymore, you will never recognize them. But the fearful and unbelieving HE says:

8) BUT THE FEARFUL, AND UNBELIEVING, AND THE ABOMINABLE, AND MURDERERS, AND WHOREMONGERS, AND SORCERERS, AND IDOLATORS, AND ALL LIARS, SHALL HAVE THEIR PART IN THE LAKE WHICH BURNETH WITH FIRE AND BRIMSTONE: WHICH IS THE SECOND DEATH.

This is not a place of torture, it is the second death. These die the second time because they have gained an understanding and rejected it. And they are worthy of the second death because YAHWEH has nothing else to offer them. HE has offered them all HIS blessings, and they turned HIM down. The fearful are those who become frightened of the world or the ruling authorities and put these above YAHWEH and fear what this world can do to you more that they fear YAHWEH. They reproach and dishonor HIM as though HE is not powerful enough to deal with the nations. They (the nations) are nothing but a drop in the bucket to HIM, HE could wipe them out instantly and turn them into a blazing sun and they would be nothing. HE won't destroy righteous with the wicked, so HE is giving them time; HE allows Israel to do HIS work, prove themselves and honor HIM. So the fearful are those who say 'wow, what if the i.r.s. comes after me and locks me up? What will I do? I'm finished, no hope for me, I'm quitting.' This is disgusting. This type of person is not even a stranger, he has a mentality of a beast who realizes another beast is larger than him and he better not fight. But Israel is like David, who faced Goliath, regardless of the size of the monster and says "who is this uncircumcized philistine, that he should challenge the army of the LORD." (I Sam. 17:26) And he went

right up to him, as a little boy and killed him in front of all the so-called mighty men of Israel who didn't dare to challenge Goliath. This shows real faith. Israel is like David facing a mighty monster, this world, the odds are certainly against us (visibly anyway). But in reality the odds are against them because YAHWEH is leading HIS People, we trust in HIS All-mighty power, we are not afraid, we are fearless, says "the wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are as bold as a lion." (Prov. 28:1/ Prov. 20:2) Did you ever try rousing a lion and see what happens? He will go after anything; cars trucks, etc. He fears nothing. YAHWEH is not peased if you are afraid because you are not putting HIM in the proper perspective, not recognizing HIM as the All-mighty, making HIM inferior, as though there was something stronger than HIM. This is an insult. YAHWEH is the Champion, HE is above all.

"..unbelieving.." Why are they unbelieving? Because they don't examine the message, or recognize inconsistencies and injustice of their teachings or try to understand the justice of the truth. YAHWEH is against the "unbelieving, the abominable, the unclean, murderers, and whoremongers." Those who devote their entire time as beasts to other interests, and pleasures and forget HIM. "..sorcerers, idolators." Magicians, and those who worshiop idols; anythign giving praise, honor, power to another source rather than YAHWEH, these "shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death." All liars, a liar is one who doesn't speak the truth. What is the truth? Some asked Yahshua what the truth was and He said "sanctify them through THY truth, THY WORD is truth." (John 17:17)

9) AND THERE CAME UNTO ME ONE OF THE SEVEN ANGELS WHICH HAD THE SEVEN VIALS FULL OF THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES, AND TALKED WITH ME, SAYING, COME HITHER, I WILL SHOW THEE THE BRIDE, THE LAMB'S WIFE.

We hear so much in religion about "the Bride" "the Lamb's Wife" and the Church. About the rapture where everyone is going to be taken up to the heavens and forever be with the LORD. It sounds nice, but to harp on this and not on YAHWEH'S over all plan is leaving an awful lot unanswered. Why does HE say "the meek shall inherit the earth" and "the earth shall abide forever." (Ps. 37:11/ Ecc. 1:4) "The earth he will give to the children of men." (Ps. 115:16) "You shall possess the wealth of the gentiles."(-----) "they will build houses and inhabit them. They shall not build and another inhabit.(-----) "They will plant vineyards and eat the fruit thereof." (-----) "THY Kingdom come, THY Will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." (Matt. 6:10) Look at how many questions there are unanswered. According to the theory of the rapture, which the word doesn't even exist in the Bible, everyone is going to heaven.

Now HE will explain the Bride; "come hither, I will show thee the Bride, the Lamb's Wife."

10) AND HE CARRIED ME AWAY IN THE SPIRIT TO A GREAT AND HIGH MOUNTAIN AND SHOWED ME THAT GREAT CITY, THE HOLY JERUSALEM, DESCENDING OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD,

The Bride, the Lamb's wife, is the Holy Jerusalem. Jeruasalem in the type was the ruling city of Israel. The Bride becomes the ruling organization. "Jerusalem which is above, is the mother of us all." (Gal. 4:26) The heavenly organization which is like a mother to its human creatures. It brings out it was descending from heaven, from GOD. Does it actually descend out of heaven? It is like YAHWEH showing HIS face. When HE

actually does not, but shows favor. This is a symbol. HE says, "for out of Zion goeth forth the Law, and the word from Jerusalem." (Is. 2:3) So what actually comes down is not the city itself, because why should HE build it in the heavens and bring it down to the earth? Why didn't HE build it here in the first place? But what does come down is the authority, the "Law of the LORD comes from Zion, and the word from Jerusalem." The ruling one in Zion is Yahshua, the King of Kings. The word, that which He determines, comes down from the Bride, from the ruling city down to the earth and inspires the 200 million of Israel who are responsible to do HIS will as they receive the word, or instructions from Jerusalem. This city is described symbolically as most precious, too precious for any humans to ever build.

- 11) HAVING THE GLORY OF GOD; AND HER LIGHT WAS LIKE UNTO A STONE MOST PRECIOUS, EVEN LIKE A JASPER STONE, CLEAR AS CRYSTAL:

This is the whole city; shining like a jasper stone.

- 12) AND HAD A WALL GREAT AND HIGH, AND HAD TWELVE GATES, AND AT THE GATES TWELVE ANGELS, AND NAMES WRITTEN THEREON, WHICH ARE THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE TRIBES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL:

It had 12 gates showing there was 12 gates to enter in by, and there was a gate for each tribe. HE is saying in symbolic language that it is made up of HIS People who in a typical sense were in the 12 tribes. This shows only Israel will enter the New Jerusalem, (spiritual Israel) and it is these who are pictured as going in through the gates.

- 13) ON THE EAST THREE GATES; ON THE NORTH THREE GATES; ON THE SOUTH THREE GATES; AND ON THE WEST THREE GATES.

Showing absolute equality and balance, nothing lop-sided about this city. Everything being equal shows the justice and righteousness--equality.

- 14) AND THE WALL OF THE CITY HAD TWELVE FOUNDATIONS, AND IN THEM THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES OF THE LAMB.

The foundation of a city or a building is the beginning of it. The beginning of the New Jerusalem was the 12 Apostles because they were the first of the Heavenly Class to be chosen, in fact they were selected even before the Holy Spirit was poured out--eleven of them made it and Paul was selected. This shows that the foundations of the New Jerusalem rests with the 12 Apostles. They were first, the beginning of the Holy City; the organization.

- 15) AND HE THAT TALKED WITH ME HAD A GOLDEN REED TO MEASURE THE CITY, AND THE GATES THEREOF, AND THE WALL THEREOF.

- 16) AND THE CITY LIETH FOURSQUARE, AND THE LENGTH IS AS LARGE AS THE BREADTH: AND HE MEASURED THE CITY WITH THE REED, TWELVE THOUSAND FURLONGS. THE LENGTH AND THE BREADTH AND THE HEIGHT OF IT ARE EQUAL.

"And the city lieth foursquare" this means absolutely square or again, equality, justice, no lop-sidedness, or inequality, injustices. An organization that is made up of justice.

The length, width, and height are equal. Now I've done alot of building and never do you put up a building by just measuring the length, width and height. What about the length of the walls, the height of each corner, the length of the walls on top, not just measuring down the middle and hope it comes out right. You have to measure each measurement and any cube has 12 measurements. You have to measure 12,000 furlongs on each side, length, width, and height all around because if you skip some of them there could be an error between the walls and it wouldn't be square. This applies to any of the measurements, each one must be measured individually. So measure 12 measurements and each one is 12,000 furlongs; so 12 times 12,000 is 144,000. This means that this is a number that makes up the New Jerusalem, symbolically telling you only 144,000 make up the New Jerusalem and the King over the New Jerusalem is Yahshua. Revelation 14:1 says:

I LOOKED AND LO, A LAMB STOOD ON MOUNT SION, AND WITH HIM A 144,000.

This is all that was with the Lamb, it continues:

THESE WERE REDEEMED FROM THE EARTH, AND WERE FIRST FRUITS WITH GOD AND TO THE LAMB.

It says these were redeemed from the earth, it is because no one else is redeemed from the earth. If everyone was redeemed from the earth, HE wouldn't say that only 144,000 were redeemed from the earth.

17) AND HE MEASURED THE WALL THEREOF, A HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR CUBITS, ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE OF A MAN, THAT IS, OF THE ANGEL.

A cubit is about 18-20 inches. A 144 cubits is over 200 feet. This is not the measurement of the walls of the city because 144 cubits is alot less than the city itself. It is actually referring to the height of the wall, if a wall is over 200 feet high, it will keep out everyone, no one could climb this wall and get in, this shows the city is protected and no human will get in there. Usually walls are about 8-10 feet high, these you could scale; but this one is over 200 feet high.

18) AND THE BUILDING OF THE WALL OF IT WAS OF JASPER: AND THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, LIKE UNTO CLEAR GLASS.

Picture a building with a wall of pure jasper; and a city of pure gold that is 12,000 furlongs or about miles long. This would be an impossibility not only because of the value of gold, but also because there is not that much of it around. This is showing us that it is beyond human ability to build something so magnificent, precious and costly.

"..the gold was like unto clear glass." This means it was not only precious, but because glass is transparent, it shows there would be nothing hidden, everything would be visible, symbolizing there would be a clear understanding in this city. They would have wisdom from YAHWEH, and there would be no secrets.

19) AND THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WALL OF THE CITY WERE GARNISHED WITH ALL MANNER OF PRECIOUS STONES. THE FIRST FOUNDATION WAS JASPER; THE SECOND SAPHIRE; THE THIRD, A CHALCEDONY; THE FOURTH, AN EMERALD;

20) THE FIFTH, SADONYX; THE SIXTH, SARDIUS; THE SEVENTH, CHRYSOLITE; THE EIGHTH, BERYL; THE NINTH, A TOPAZ; THE CHYSOPRASUS; THE ELEVENTH, A JACINTH; THE TWELFTH, AN AMETHYST.

21) AND THE TWELVE GATES WERE TWELVE PEARLS; EVERY SEVERAL GATE WAS OF ONE PEARL: AND THE STREET OF THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, AS IT WERE TRANSPARENT GLASS.

Again, anything so huge, built of such precious materials, is far beyond the capability of any human. It shows it is originally built by YAHWEH, which HE alone could fashion and construct.

22) AND I SAW NO TEMPLE THEREIN: FOR THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY AND THE LAMB ARE THE TEMPLE OF IT.

The temple was the authority, the ruling structure. In the type it was a building. This means all authority will come from YAHWEH and Yahshua, the Lamb. So there is no literal, physical, temple there. Now in one place HE says there will be a temple, showing there will be a ruling authority. But here HE says there isn't a temple, that it is YAHWEH and Yahshua. This means there will be authority, but it comes from YAHWEH and Yahshua, not a literal temple.

23) AND THE CITY HAD NO NEED OF THE SUN, NEITHER OF THE MOON, TO SHINE IN IT: FOR THE GLORY OF THE LORD DID LIGHTEN IT, AND THE LAMB IS THE LIGHT THEREOF.

This shows the city will be full of 'light' so it won't need other light. Light symbolizes understanding, wisdom, it shows everything will be clear and understood. So it will outshine the sun and the moon. You know how clear it is when the sun is out, you can see everything. This city has its own light, its own understanding. In symbolic language, everything is clear, there is no dark spots, nothing is hidden that is not to be understood, because they will have the wisdom from above; from YAHWEH.

24) AND THE NATIONS OF THEM WHICH ARE SAVED SHALL WALK IN THE LIGHT OF IT: AND THE KINGS OF THE EARTH DO BRING THEIR GLORY AND HONOR INTO IT.

These aren't nations as a group, but the different nationalities that come out of the world, that are not Israel, will "walk in the light" of the New Jerusalem. This shows they will have to be submissive to the New Jerusalem in order to receive HIS blessings. The curse of the world is that they are not receiving instructions from above but rather from the devil and the devil will go down and his whole organization with him.

"...and the kings of the earth do bring..." This means whatever was possessed by the kings of this world, all of their wealth and glory and their accomplishments will be brought over, into submission to YAHWEH'S ruling organization, HIS New Jerusalem. They will no longer be free to operate on their own because HE says that HE will "conquer the nations." (Rev. 19:15) HE will "rule them with a rod of iron." (Rev 19:15) "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our LORD and of HIS Christ." (Rev. 11:15) Not that they will continue to exist, but that HE conquers them and possesses what they once possessed.

25) AND THE GATES OF IT SHALL NOT BE SHUT AT ALL BY DAY: FOR THERE SHALL BE NO NIGHT THERE.

This means HIS instructions will come continuously, there will be no time when it is shut down, and say, gone to lunch. We will be able to receive blessings all the time from this holy city.

"...there shall be no night there.." This means there will be no darkness or a period to shut down. They will be open all the time for humanity's blessings.

26) AND THEY SHALL BRING THE GLORY AND HONOR OF THE NATIONS INTO IT.

All that the nations have possessed and accomplished, their power and wealth; everything will be in subjection to the New Jerusalem, which is the ruling city over YAHWEH'S Kingdom.

27) AND THERE SHALL IN NO WISE ENTER INTO IT ANY THING THAT DEFILETH NEITHER WHATSOEVER WORKETH ABOMINATION, OR MAKETH A LIE; BUT THEY WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE.

In the typical Jerusalem there were people travelling through that were filthy, liars, thieves, etc. But in the New Jerusalem it will be made up of those YAHWEH has chosen, and naturally we know with the height of the walls, no one else will get in there. Showing that those who are chosen will be in the New Jerusalem and one else who is not worthy will make it. Even though religion claims they are a part of the Bride (which they don't even know the number of) They will not be there, only those who are chosen by YAHWEH.