

## Revelation 21:1-27 (NIV)

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**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." **5** He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

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**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.

**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.

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An Israeli scientist who works for the security system and is a Doctor of Physics wrote the following words to his Rabbi:

"I wanted to share with the rabbi something that is much more than a feeling. That on Shabbat night something happened here on the scale of the splitting of the Red Sea. "I am a Doctor of Physics and I worked for several years in the defense industry in Israel, in projects that are still the cutting edge of the State of Israel. **When I look at what happened on Saturday night on a scientific level, it simply cannot happen.** Everyone, and I mean everyone, acted as one man in overall unity.

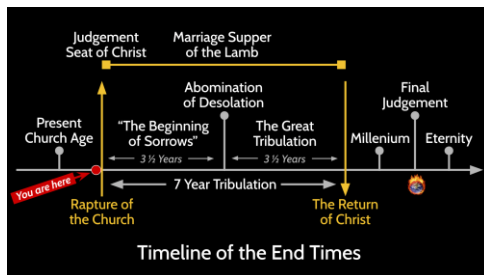
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He continued: "The likelihood that everything works out just as it should does not exist in complex systems like the defense systems that were operating. They have never, I mean never, even beyond the State of Israel, been tried in real time. I took a pencil and dove into the calculations to check the likelihood that such a result would materialize.

"The large number of events that had to be handled at precisely the right time doubles the chance of making a mistake.

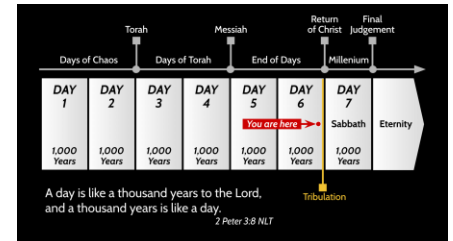
"With all the high technologies, the expectation was for a breach in the defense of the skies of the State of Israel. Even if we got 90% protection it would be a miracle. What happened though is that everyone, I mean everyone - the pilots, the system operators and the technology operators - acted as one man at one moment in total unity. **If this is not an act of God, then I no longer know what a miracle is.**" And the doctor marvels and adds, "This is sharper than the victory of the Six Day War or the War of Independence ... The rescue that took place for the people of Israel on Shabbat night is simply impossible naturally. I believe that this miracle saved the lives of many people from Israel."

**INTRODUCTION:** I wanted to start today with a review. Here's a **timeline**.



**NOTE:** Great White throne Judgment shown on here as the final judgment. No believers will be at the Great White Throne Judgment. Unbelievers will stand before the Judge to account for their sin!

Now, this has always made sense to me as well. **6 days** of creation then God rested. For us, 6 days then the Lord's day of rest/worship.



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**6000 years of world history, then the one day (1000 year rest) with Jesus ruling the earth. Then eternity!**

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**Now, Rev. 21** comes after the 1000-year reign of Jesus on the earth.

"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. **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.**

**BRAND NEW! NO SEA. NEW HEAVEN/NEW EARTH—IT'S BEAUTY IS UNSURPASSED.**

No more violent weather, volcanoes, earthquakes, etc.

**Isaiah 51:6 (NIV)** "Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail."

**3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning [grief] or crying [scream/shriek] or pain [anguish for lacking], for the old order of things has passed away."**

**A loud voice (20<sup>th</sup> & final time used).** **We'll be with God for eternity!** Relationship... reconciled forever! Every tear wiped away—nothing ever again to bring the reason for tears!

**No death/mourning/crying/pain – THIS IS THE NEW WORLD ORDER WE'VE BEEN WAITING ON!**

**2 Corinthians 4:17** “For our present troubles are small and won’t last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!” **1 Corinthians 15:54-55** “Then, when our dying bodies have been transformed into bodies that will never die, this Scripture will be fulfilled: “Death is swallowed up in victory. <sup>55</sup> O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” **1 Peter 4:12-13** **1 Peter 4:12-13 (NKJV)** “Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; <sup>13</sup> but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

**5 He who** was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

This will come to pass! Write it down! Everything will be new, yet will never age!

**6 He said** to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life. **7 He who** overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

**As Jesus** said it is finished on the cross—now it is DONE! **Jesus, the Alpha & Omega/Beginning and the End** has done it! **I can be** physically thirsty, emotionally thirsty, mentally thirsty, and spiritually thirsty – all fulfilled!

I won’t need or want for anything. **I’ll be HOME... in every sense of the word!**

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

**List of 8 practices** indicating fruit of ungodliness—those who will be cast into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.

**COWARDLY: Who won’t be there:** The *fearful or cowardly*: those who do not confess Christ because they fear what others might say; those who are afraid to give up the world and deny self; those who fear taking a stand for Christ; those who fear to fellowship or become identified with Christian people.

**Matthew 10:32-33 (NLT2)** “Everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. <sup>33</sup> But everyone who denies me here on earth, I will also deny before my Father in heaven.”

**2 Timothy 2:12 (NKJV)** If we endure, We shall also reign with *Him*. If we deny *Him*, He also will deny us.

**Proverbs 29:25 (NKJV)** “The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.”

**UNBELIEVING**—without Christian faith

**VILE**—worldly, polluted, “to stink,” detestable,

**MURDERERS**—those who take life

**SEXUALLY IMMORAL**—adultery, fornication, homosexuality

**Matthew 5:27-28 (NLT2)** “You have heard the commandment that says, ‘You must not commit adultery.’ <sup>28</sup> But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

**Romans 1:26-27 (NLT2)** “That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. <sup>27</sup> **And the men**, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and as a result of this sin, they suffered within themselves the penalty they deserved.

**THOSE WHO PRACTICE MAGIC ARTS**—this can get deep, but it is generally drugs/altered state of mind/sorcery. those who engage in astrology, witchcraft, devil worship, spiritism, seances, palm reading, fortune telling

**IDOLATERS**-- those who give their primary attention and devotion to someone or something other than God.”

**Ephesians 5:5 (NLT2)** “You can be sure that no immoral, impure, or greedy person will inherit the Kingdom of Christ and of God. For a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world.”

**LIARS:** Those who do not tell the truth; who deceive and mislead others; gossipers and talebearers and who pass rumors along.

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Here it comes... the Holy City, Jerusalem...called the New Jerusalem, called the Tabernacle of God, the Holy City, the City of God, the Celestial City.

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Described in size and brilliance 12,000 stadia about 1400 miles wide, deep and high!

The walls 114 cubits thick – 216 feet thick!

It 12 foundations bearing the names of the 12 apostles, decorated with every kind of precious stone.

It has 12 gates, each a single pearl, bearing the names of the 12 tribes of Israel.

The streets will be made of pure gold.

<sup>22</sup> I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

No need for a church building or temple – The Father and the Lamb [JESUS] are its temple!

No one will ever be without God's presence or without full and perfect knowledge.

<sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.

No need for street lights, stars, the sun or moon – God's glory gives light through Jesus the Lamp of God!

Believers will be kings, who bring splendor into the city.

<sup>25</sup> On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there.

I always lock doors at night. I lock my car everywhere I go...including in my garage!

No night there...no darkness... no evil...no thefts, no fears.

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No sin, no evil will ever enter the city—we will live in absolute perfect for all of eternity! Thanks to the Lamb!

Residents have their names in the Lamb's book of life – born again! Recorded at birth!