

## INTRODUCTION.

- A. Welcome to our study of the book of Revelation using *Victory Assured!* as our guide.
- B. Purchasing the book is not necessary but will help deepen your understanding of the lessons.
- C. *Victory Assured!* is a thematic (or subject study) of the book of Revelation. *Victory Assured!* does not focus on the various details of the Revelation but rather stressed the main subjects and themes to help the reader gain the overall teachings of the book.
- D. Last week, Overcoming at the Great Judgment (16:1-21; 19:1-21; 20:1-15).
- E. This week, The Joys and rewards of Overcoming (Rev, 7; 14; 21:1-22:21).

## THE JOYS AND REWARDS OF OVERCOMING

- A. **The 144,000 (7:1-17; 14:1-5).**
  1. The symbolism of numbers explains the 144,000.  
 $(3 \times 4) \times (3 \times 4) \times 10 \times 10 \times 10$  all of the saved of both covenants
  2. Contextually the 144,000 are:
    1. Sealed servants (Eph. 1:13,14).
    2. Purchased (1Pet. 1:18,19).
    3. undefiled (2Cor. 11:2).
    4. Follow Lamb (1Pet. 2:20,21).
    5. First fruits of Lamb (Jas. 1:18).
    6. Without blemish (Eph. 5:27).
- B. **God is Praiseworthy (15:1-8).**

What a foretaste of the heavenly realm! All of the nations come and worship before God. God is praiseworthy for His judgments are right and He avenges those who do not do His will.
- C. **Perfect Protection (21:1-27).**
  1. John is shown the eternal habitation of the bride. The city is beyond compare. Its brilliance can only be imagined this side of heaven; its protection is undeniable; its permanency is God Himself.
  2. It is a place of brightness without shadow to darken the spirit for all is illuminated by God's glory and lamp of the Lamb. Only that which is good and proper enter in; nothing common, profane, or sinful is allowed (21:24,26,27). It is no wonder that the gates are never locked. Nothing unclean enters and there is no night (21:25).
- D. **Perfect Provision (22:1-21).**
  1. Heaven is a place that fully protects its inhabitants from evil. Sin and temptation are long gone. The water of life comes from the throne of God (22:1). This water supplies life to fruit trees and they bear every month. There is no shortage of sustenance.
  2. The leaves of these same trees are for healing (22:2). In heaven there are no abnormalities, defects, or illnesses. There is no disease, no decay, no aging, or frailty brought on by the advancing years. Oh, to live on this street!

## CONCLUSION.

- A. Jesus affirms that He is coming quickly, and John encourages that fact by stating, "Amen. Come Lord Jesus." I hear the following in this simple affirmation; come Lord Jesus and save us from the sin and persecution of the world. Come Lord Jesus and  
...save us from the tyranny of the devil.  
...save us from the fear of death.  
...usher us to that heavenly home with the rest of the saints.
- B. "And I heard a voice from heaven saying, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!'"  
"Yes," says the Spirit, "That they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them." (14:13).
- C. Amen. Come Lord Jesus!
- D. Victory is assured!