

THE ETERNAL CITY

1. What did the angel promise to show John? Rev. 21:9.
2. Describe what John saw. Verse 10.
3. From what place was the city seen coming? How was it adorned? Verse 2. To what place did it descend? Zech. 14:4, 5.
4. With what glory Was it attended? Rev. 21:11.
5. What is the circumference of the city? What is its shape? How many miles on either side? Rev. 21:15, 16.
6. Of what is the city built? Verse 18.
7. Of what is the wall of the city composed? Verse 18.
8. How many foundations has it? Whose names are written thereon? Verse 14.
9. With what are the foundations garnished? Verses 19, 20.
10. How many gates are there? Whose names are written on them? Verse 12. Who stood at the gates? Are the gates ever shut? Verse 25.
11. Of what are the gates made? Verse 21.

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12. Of what is the street composed? Verse 21.
13. What is the light of the city? Verse 23; chapter 22:5. Note 1.
14. Who will walk in its light? Rev. 21 :24, 26. Note 2.
15. Will there be any temple in the city? Verse 22. Note 3.
16. What proceeds from the throne? Rev. 22:1.
17. What is on either side of the river? Verse 2. Note 4.
18. Who will be shut out from the city? Rev. 21:27; 22:15.
19. What is the passport through the gates of pearl? Rev. 22:14.
20. How did the view of all these glorious things affect the aged prophet? Verses 8, 9. Note 5.

NOTES

1. The city will be so resplendent with the glory of the Lord that it will need no light of sun or moon, for the glory of the Lord is brighter than the sun. Acts 26:12, 13.

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The sun and moon will exist to lighten the earth, shining with increased brilliancy. Isa. 30:26.

2. There will be nations in the new earth whose rulers are called kings. The Saviour, in answer to a question propounded by Peter upon a certain occasion, said that when all things were regenerated, the apostles would sit on twelve thrones, ruling the twelve tribes, or nations, of Israel. Matt. 19:28.

3. It is not stated that there will be no temple in the new earth, but only that there will be none in the city. It appears, from Rev. 7:15, that there will be a temple, located, perhaps, outside of the city. The 144,000 only will enter this temple. See *"Early Writings,"* pages 14, 15.

4. "Out of the throne came a pure river of water, and on either side of the river was the tree of life. On one side of the river was a trunk of a tree, and a trunk on the other side of the river, both of pure, transparent gold. At first I thought I saw two trees. I looked again, and saw that they were united at the top in one tree." — *Early Writings,* pages 12, 13.

5. Once more, as in chapter 19:10, the overwhelming glory which John beheld of Paradise restored overcame him, and, lost in admiration of the sight, he fell down to worship the angel. The angel again refused to accept the homage, and left on record the comforting assurance that

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he was not only the fellow servant with John, but all those also who keep the sayings of this wonderful book.