Bereans Bible Institute Module XI – Revelation

Lesson 57 – Rev. 21-22

I. Chapter 21 cont.

A. Vs. 16 And the city is laid out [in] a square. Her length was the same as her width.

1. "Her length, width, and <u>height</u> are equal."

2. Mt Zion will be elevated above all the surrounding mountains (Isa. 2:1-4; Zech. 14:9-10; Gal. 4:22-31; Heb. 12:18-22).

3. New Jerusalem will likely be a pyramid, situated on the greatly elevated Mt. Zion.

4. The "height" refers to the total altitude, perhaps measured from the Dead Sea, where the river flows and heals, currently about 1300 ft. below sea level.

B. Vs. 17 the Wall around the city is 144,000 cubits (parallel to 144,000 in Rev. 7)

C. Vss. 18-20 Composition of the wall, expansion on (Isaiah 54:10-12).

D. Vs. 21 – 12 Gates named for the twelve tribes (Ezek. 48:31)

E. Vs. 22 No inner sanctuary (same word used for the Holy of Holies - Ezek. 41:4 LXX)

1. The greater "Temple" does exist (Rev. 3:12; Rev. 7:15).

2. No more inner sanctuary prophesied by Jeremiah (Jer. 3:16-17)

F. Vss. 23. Illuminated by the glory of God (Isaiah 60:19-21)

G. Vs. 24. Nations and kings bring glory (Isaiah 60:3; Isaiah 62:2)

H. Vss. 25-26. Gates not closed at night (Isa. 60:11)

I. Vs. 27. Nothing profane enters her (Isa. 60:21)

1. Only those written in the Book of Life

a. Moses (Exod 32:32-33)

b. Paul (Phil. 4:3)

c. John (Rev. 3:5; Rev. 13:8; Rev. 17:8 *"because of the overthrow of the world"*; Rev. 20:12,15, Rev. 22:19)