

STUDYING THE BOOK OF REVELATION
IN SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Lesson 38 – The River of Life - Revelation 22:1-6

Read the following verses in the New International Version or a translation of your choice. Then discuss the questions that follow. Questions should be studied by each individual before your discussion group meets.

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REV 22:1 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb [2] down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. [3] No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. [4] They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. [5] There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

REV 22:6 The angel said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 526. What sight did John's heavenly "tour guide" show him? (22:1)
- 527. How did John describe the appearance of the river of life? (22:1)
- 528. How did John describe the location of the river of life? (22:2)
- 529. What was growing on each side of the river of life? (22:2)
- 530. When did the tree that John saw in the city bear fruit? (22:2)
- 531. Of what value are the leaves on the tree of life? (22:2)
- 532. What will be missing from the new heavens and new earth? (22:3)
- 533. What will God's people do in heaven? (22:3)
- 534. What kind of relationship will God have with His people in heaven? (22:3-4)
- 535. Where will the inhabitants of heaven get their light? (22:5)

536. How long will God's people reign? (22:5)

537. How did the angel assure John? (22:6)

Lesson 39 - Jesus Is Coming - Revelation 22:7-21

REV 22:7 "Behold, I am coming soon! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy in this book."

REV 22:8 I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I had heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. [9] But he said to me, "Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers the prophets and of all who keep the words of this book. Worship God!"

REV 22:10 Then he told me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, because the time is near. [11] Let him who does wrong continue to do wrong; let him who is vile continue to be vile; let him who does right continue to do right; and let him who is holy continue to be holy."

REV 22:12 "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. [13] I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

REV 22:14 "Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. [15] Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

REV 22:16 "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."

REV 22:17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.

REV 22:18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book. [19] And if anyone takes words away from this book of prophecy, God will take away from him his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

REV 22:20 He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

REV 22:21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen.

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- 538. What promise did Christ make? (22:7)
- 539. What blessing did Christ promise us? (22:7)
- 540. Who did Jesus say is a blessed person? (22:7)
- 541. How did the revelations John saw affect him? (22:8)
- 542. What command was given to John by his angelic assistant? (22:9)
- 543. Why was John commanded not to seal up the prophecies of his book? (22:10)
- 544. What additional instructions did the angel give? (22:11)
- 545. When Jesus comes, what will He bring with Him? (22:12)
- 546. How did Jesus describe Himself? (22:13, 16)
- 547. Who will be entitled to citizenship in the new Jerusalem? (22:14)
- 548. Who will be barred from entering the heavenly city? (22:15)
- 549. What is the consequence of living a life of disobedience to God, no matter what it involves? (22:15)
- 550. What was Jesus' method for getting His message to us? (22:16)
- 551. What invitation is given by the Spirit and the bride? (22:17)
- 552. What warning did John give? (22:18-19)
- 553. What do we know for sure about Christ's return? (22:20)
- 554. How did John bless his readers? (22:21)

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