

## **The Heaven New Jerusalem** *“Seeking the City about to come”*

- The imperatives of Colossians 3:1-2.
- We are to be intensely seeking the City to come (Heb. 13:14)
- This City is not heaven; it comes down out of heaven (Rev. 21:10).

### **I. The New Jerusalem at the end of the Tribulation.**

1. The New Jerusalem remains in the third Heaven until very near the end of the Tribulation when the heavens are in total darkness.
2. The City then appears as a sign of Christ’s coming.
3. The Redeemer—Christ comes out of the City from the east and sets His feet on Mount Olives.

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### **III. The City**

1. The general description of the City as it replaces the sun (Rev. 21:9-22 to 22:5).
  - 1) Having the Glory of God (Rev. 21:11; Ps. 104:1-2; 1 Tim. 6:16).
  - 2) An enormous luminary of concentrated light (Rev. 21:11).
  - 3) A reflective surface—“a light show.”
2. The shape.
  - 1) Foursquare—footprint (Rev. 21:16).
  - 2) Length, width, and height all equal (Rev. 21:16); 12,000 stadion  $\approx$  580-610 ft.;  $12,000 \times 600 = 7,200,000$  ft.  $\div$  5280 = 1364 miles per side.
3. Throne at the top: river, street (Rev. 22:1; Is. 14:13-14).
4. The walls (Rev. 21:12-15, 17, 21).
  - 1) Great and lofty.
  - 2) 144 cubits:  $\approx$  200 to 280 ft.
  - 3) 12 gates shaped like pearls.
  - 4) Named after the 12 tribes of Israel.
5. Reasons for earth dwellers to come to the New Jerusalem.
  - 1) Tribute
  - 2) Tree of Life
  - 3) Leaves of healing
  - 4) River of life.