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A vision of hope
from the book of
Revelation

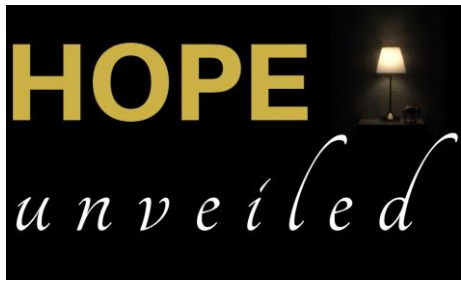


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Revelation 21 – 22: 5

- **Recap**
- Remember this a letter – read in one sitting – connectivity & historicity.
- Recall the symbolism \approx meaning \neq allegory & connection with the OT.
- Overall message: Christ won!!!
- Implication: we can & should have hope.



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The NT Ultimate hope

- Hebrews 11: 8-11 & 39-40 – died believing...
- 1 John 3: 2-3 – When He appears...
- 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 – 18 – be encouraged.
- 1 Corinthians 15 – death is killed!
- 1 Corinthians 13: 12 -13 – perfect knowing.
- 1 Corinthians 2: 7 – 10 – Unimaginable!

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A New Heaven & Earth!



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The Attributes

The structure

- A city...familiar language.
- 12 gates with pearls - the patriarchs.
- a wall with 12 foundations and precious stones – the apostles.
- Streets of pure gold - extravagancy.
- Physical – water and fruit.

No temple! The dwelling place of God is among the people!!

The nature

- No sea – chaos, home of the beast.
- No pain/sorrow/death.
- Intimate – beautiful bride, wipe tears and see face.
- No need for sun/ moon – Lamb is Lamp; Dextera – glory – heaviness/ weight.
- Kings - Culturally and racially diverse. Creativity and reigning.

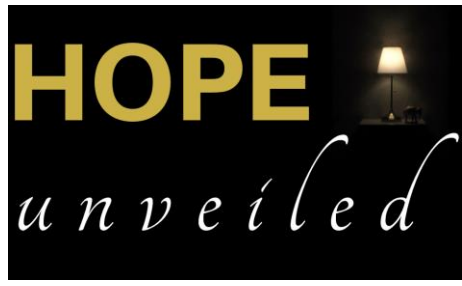


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The implications

- In light of the joy to come, present day struggles should be endured.
- If His Presence is our ultimate hope, then we must do all we can to live in it today.
- If racial and cultural diversity is the climatic end then discriminatory views today must be destroyed.
- If nothing impure will enter then we must purify ourselves and evangelise.



The Conclusion

- Behold He is making everything NEW!!!

So...

- We should have hope in the restoration coming!

