



Introduction

In symbolic language, John tells of his glimpse of the new city of Jerusalem.



Questions

1. What does the loud voice out of heaven say?
2. What does the one sitting on the throne say about those who are thirsty and those who overcome?
3. Why does the city have no need of the sun or moon?



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 8** John sees a vision of a time when God dwells with his people. There is no more death (see theme). All evil will be removed from the world
- **v 9 to 21** John then sees the Lamb's wife as a symbolic city, Jerusalem, made of all precious materials
- **v 22 to 27** The Lord God and the Lamb dwell in the city which becomes a holy centre for all nations (see theme)

Timeline 60 AD (see below)



Themes

No more sin and death

A selection of verses showing that God has a plan to overcome the problem of death caused by sin.

The apostle Paul makes it clear to the Roman believers that we die because we sin:

Romans 5 verse 12

The apostle John says that we must acknowledge that we are sinners if we are to be forgiven:

1 John 1 verses 9 and 10

The apostle John tells us that God sent Jesus Christ to overcome the problem of death:

John 3 verse 16

The apostle Paul tells the Romans that we are reconciled to God through the death of His Son, Jesus Christ:

Romans 5 verse 10

The last book of the Bible tells us that eventually death will be no more:

Revelation 21 verses 3 and 4



Jerusalem - future world capital

Psalm 2 says that Zion, as part of Jerusalem, is the centre of the rulership as promised by God:

Psalm 2 verse 6

Psalm 48 verses 1 and 2

The prophets Jeremiah and Micah speak of the world being ruled from Jerusalem at a time of peace:

Jeremiah 3 verse 17

Micah 4 verses 1 to 3

The prophet Zechariah tells of the sanctions that will be imposed on nations who don't respect the rule from Jerusalem:

Zechariah 14 verses 16 to 19

Jesus identifies Jerusalem as an important city:

Matthew 5 verses 34 and 35

Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 3 and 4, Q 2: v 6 and 7, Q 3: v 23



Bible timeline

