

REVELATION (PART 33) | REVELATION 22:1-5 1 MAY 2016 + PASTOR JEFF ALEXANDER

Revelation 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.

As we stand with John the Apostle in this eternal City, we witness <u>paradise restored</u> by the water of life.

John 7:38 Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

Revelation 22:2b 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.

Genesis 3:17 "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life."

Genesis 3:22 And the Lord God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever."

Mankind lost access to the tree of life due to their <u>disobedience</u>. Now, in the new creation, the Lord brings <u>continual healing</u> through the tree of life.

Revelation 22:3 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.

Since the Lord is on His throne, the City will be the place where the curse is reversed.

Gal. 3:13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us.

Revelation 22:4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

The greatest joy will be seeing Jesus—genuine faith replaced by glorious sight!

Matthew 5:8 Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

Revelation 22:5 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 forever and ever.

God's <u>first word</u> at creation will be His <u>last word</u> too. He not only gives light; He is the Light!

Genesis 1:3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

John 8:12 Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."