

The Kingdom of God Fulfilled

I. The Conquering King

1. He prevailed over sin and death – Rev. 5:5-10
By His sacrifice He redeemed us & reconciled us to God
He has prevailed so believers can reign with Him
2. He is worthy of all glory & honor – Rev. 5:11-14
He has fulfilled God's plan, is worthy of worship
3. He prevails over Satan, man's rebellion – Rev. 6-20
He will judge earth pouring out God's wrath– 6:18
He will put down all resistance at His return – Revelation 19:11-21
He will judge all rebellion at end of millennium – Revelation 20:7-10
All rejecting His reign are cast into Lake of Fire – Revelation 20:11-15

II. God's New Creation – Rev. 21:1-8

1. Present heaven & earth will pass away – Revelation 20:11, 21:1
What is defiled by sin is purged by fire – 2 Peter 2:10-13
2. New Heaven & New Earth are created – 21:1
No more sea separating people from one another
3. Holy City of God comes down to earth – 21:2-3
God's city is joined to earth so God can dwell with men
God's creative purpose is fulfilled in fellowship
4. Every vestige of Old is gone, All is new – 21:4-8
All sorrow, death & suffering is forever gone
All evil is forever gone from God's New Creation

III. The City of God – 21:9-27

1. This is the City Abraham sought – Heb. 11:9-16
This made him content to live as a stranger in this world
2. Holy city is linked with Bride of Christ – 21:9-10
Contrast with Harlot woman & City of Babylon – Revelation 17:1, 18
Bride of Christ dwells in Eternal City
3. Glory of Eternal City is described – 21:11-27
Beautiful, glory of God in its fullness – 21:11
Secure – great walls with 12 gates – 21:12-13
Built for eternity 12 foundations – 21:14
Perfect in its dimensions – 21:15-17
Glorious like every kind of gem – 21:18-21
No Temple – God & Christ are there – 21:22
No sun & moon – God's glory is the light – 23-24
Continual access from earth to eternal city – 25
Nations of earth come to glorify God – 26
All defilement is forever gone – 27
Only those who are in Lamb's book of life - 27

IV. God's Eternal Provision – 22:1-5

1. Water of Life flows freely from God's Throne – Revelation 22:1
No seas but living water, full satisfaction – John 4
2. Tree of Life with variety of fruit – Rev. 22:2
God's provision is full and complete – cp. Garden of Eden
3. Enjoyment of Serving the King eternally – 22:3
No curse to make service for God laborious
4. Fulfillment of God's creative purpose – 22:4-5
Full fellowship with our Lord, face to face
God's people reign with Him over new creation forever
5. God's eternal plan is fulfilled in Christ