

## ***THE SET TIME IS NOW***

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### **Revelation Chapter 22**

1. *And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.*
2. *In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.*
3. *And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:*
4. *And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads*
5. *And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God gives them light: and they shall reign forever and ever.*
6. *And he said unto me, these sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to show unto his servants the things, which must shortly be done.*
7. *Behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he that keeps the sayings of the prophecy of this book.*
8. *And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel, which showed me these things.*
9. *Then said he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God*
10. *And he said unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.*
11. *He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.*

12. *And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.*
13. *I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.*
14. *Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.*
15. *For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loves and makes a lie.*
16. *I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.*
17. *And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that hears say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.*
18. *For I testify unto every man that hears the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:*
19. *And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things, which are written in this book.*
20. *He, which testifies these things, said, Surely I come quickly: amen. Even so, come Lord Jesus.*
21. *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.*

Back to the chapter's first verse...the last chapter ended up speaking of the book of the lamb's life. Not the lamb's book of life, but the book of the lamb's life. Isn't this book about the lamb, and about his life? And where is that life? It's within you. This is the book of the lamb's life in you. This is not something that is going to be; this is something that is right now in you, but you don't believe it. That's the reason it has not manifested. **'And he'** this is the messenger and from the very first verse of this book of Revelation, it says **"that this is the Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to Jesus to come and show to His servants things which must shortly come to pass, and sent and signified it"** and that word signified is 'samaino' (say-mah'-ee-no) in signs and symbols. So God gave it to the man Jesus to come and show it to John, things that must come to pass, and He signified it through all of these signs and symbols of this book. So I am speaking of the Christ coming to us. And when John spoke to this person; where was this

man speaking to him? In his Spirit. Where is your Spirit? Is it inside of you or out in the world somewhere? It is inside of you. All of these things was going on internally in John, but guess what? Everyone in the church world wants to externalize everything and make the blame and all the situations and conditions all out there, and that is why the church has never changed for two thousand years. It's been externalized, but it is internal and when we get internal we will find that the root of everything comes from the heart of man. And if Christ is turned loose in the heart of man, guess what is going to happen? That tree of knowledge of good and evil is not going to survive any longer, because the tree of life will overtake it. So we have got to realize what He is doing here.

*'And he showed me a pure river of water of life'* what do you think that is? It's the word of God. He said it was clear (or literally radiant as crystal). You know a piece of crystal is really beautiful with all of the cuts and the facets in it that you can see. There are many facets in a crystal, just like the body of Christ, there are many facets or many faces in the body of Christ; and they are radiant. Why? Because of the bright and morning star that is living within them. So their faces have nothing more to do than to glow. But this pure river of the water of life is the flow of God's word; it's the flow of God's life, literally, out of you. People don't realize sometimes how much they affect other people. How can I be a Son of God and not affect creation? Is it possible? Do you know how many people that I have met in my walk with God that have said they just want to go to church, sit down in the pew, be unnoticed, pay their tithes and forget about it. You would be surprised at how many people want to sit in that position. How can you be the son of God, the Christ, and not have a desire in your heart to reach out and touch creation that you see hurting and dying? You can't do it can you? If you have the heart of God, you can't sit by idly. You want to do something, but you have to do it by the mind of God. *'Clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God'* what is the throne of God? Now don't think this is a big chair sitting up on a cloud somewhere in heaven, with some spiritual temple built around it with big stones in the wall, and great big pearls to walk through as gates. Now come on we have to get out of that. We get past the symbolism. Where is the throne of God? It is your innermost being; it's your mind. So where does God sit? Upon your heart right? If God is sitting upon your heart, then what is He speaking through? Your mind. So this flow of life, the flow of this river is coming from your innermost being. Not your intellect, not out of your soul, but it is flowing out of your very being, your Spirit. So it's flowing right out of the throne of God, and out of the throne of

the lamb. Well you know the Father and the lamb are one aren't they? Didn't Jesus say that the Father and I are one?

Vs 2 ***'In the midst of the street*** (or in the center of the street, or in the middle of the street) ***of it***, (and literally there is no street, this word street is square; it's the open center, the market place where all the business is done.) And you being the Holy City of Jerusalem guess where all your business is conducted? In the center of you, in your Spirit. So we see that in the center of everything of this city that we are speaking about, the center of this thing is God working in the Spirit of people. ***'And on either side*** (or both sides) ***of the river was there the tree of life***'. Now what is the tree of life? Jesus the Christ. But notice this flow of the river; the flow of the river was surrounded on both sides by a tree of life. What is a tree? It's wood isn't it? What does wood represent? Humanity. So he is saying that this flow of God is surrounded on both sides by humanity. That means it must be flowing out of humanity. God is seated in our Spirit isn't He? And humanity is all around this God flowing out of us, this life flowing out of us. Humanity is all around it, but still flowing out of it. God is in control of this whole thing. ***'Which bear twelve manner of fruits***' and the words 'manner of ' should not be there, it should say: ***'which bear twelve fruits, and yielded its fruit every month.'*** Literally it is God's provision for humanity at all times through whom? Christ. What is our sufficiency in? It's in Christ, so it is through Christ. Through the Christ, all sufficiency has been given to us. No matter what it is it has been provided in Christ. No matter what the desire, whatever the need is, it's there. ***'And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.'*** To a tree, what is a leaf? It's a sign. What is the first thing that comes out of the tree when it springs out? It's the leaves. They speak of life. If there are no leaves on a tree, what do we think about that tree? It is dead. So leaves are a symbol of life. So the leaves of the tree of life are for the healing of the nations," the imagination". Christ isn't in to healing nations like countries; He is healing our imaginations. The leaves of this tree of Christ are the life for the rest of the nations to be healed by. So what I am speaking about is this tree of life. It has leaves on it that speaks of life, and that is Christ. Isn't Christ life? So this life of the Christ is here for the healing of the nations, or the minds of humanity. We are in symbolism here; we have to see that this is the life of Christ to heal our mind. If our mind is healed, guess what our body will do? It will manifest exactly what is going on inside. You see we need our minds, first and foremost, to be healed.

Vs 3 **‘And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it;’** There is no more curse in the nations. What is that speaking of? Jesus is this tree of life, the God and the Lamb shall be in this place, in this mind; and there will be no more curse. Well what could the curse be? How about our mind? The Adamic mind? In the Adamic mind, which is where the curse came from wasn’t it? True or false is that where it came from? He reversed the curse. God is taking the Adamic thinking out of our mind; was He not the last Adam. If He is the last Adam then there is no more Adam. He has already reversed the curse, but we just don’t believe it. We still like to operate in our natural, physical, intellectual understanding don’t we? Now come on we like to do that. As a group of human beings, we still want to walk in the natural and pretend sometimes that we are in the Spiritual. Now be honest, people as a whole like to walk and impress people that they are Spiritual, but they are still using intellectual means to do it. That’s why the church has so many programs and so many formulas about how to get the church full of people. “Now if I act just the right way, people will like me and then they will come to church and give me their money, and bless God I will tell them how good they are and then they can go home and I can spend their money”. Now that is basically what it’s all about. That is what they are doing. But this is not what it’s about. He said, **“there shall be no more curse. But the throne of God and the Lamb shall be in it.”** Not about it, around it or anywhere but where? In it. Now we were just speaking about the nations. It’s our mind that I am speaking about. We’ll have the mind of Christ. **‘And his servants shall serve him’** literally it is to minister to Him. God is going to be the center of our life. Whether we like it or not. Did He say, “If you want to you can serve me?” The desire is in your heart, and when God touches you and brings that life to you, you can’t do anything else. You won’t have a choice about it. I don’t believe in free will for one second. I don’t believe in it. You can believe anything you want; I don’t believe it because in my life, I wasn’t searching for God. God came in and upset my apple cart, He knocked me on my can and reversed my whole life, and I never asked for any of it. I was begging for God to kill me, and He did, in a different way. Not in a way that everybody would have thought, or the way that I was seeking, and the way that I thought. He did it another way; it’s His way of doing things. I felt like I was worthless, I was rejected by the world; well I still am in the world’s eyes. That doesn’t make any difference, but now I know what my Father has told me. I listen to Him and I know what He says.

Vs 4 ***'And they shall see his face'*** we just got a clue about something here, they, who is "they"? ***'And they shall see his face', the ones who knows that the curse is reversed.*** Remember how this book started out, in the third verse, chapter one: ***"blessed is he that reads and hears and keeps these commandments written in the prophecy of this book"***. So these are people that get to see His face, because they heard what He said; there is no more curse. Well guess what? I'm not going to go there anymore. When I get up in the morning, I'm not going to go and say, "Hey Adam, what do you want to do today?" I'm going to say, "Father, what do you want to do today?" He is not there anymore; the last Adam died two thousand years ago. He is trying to tell us so many different ways that he is not there anymore, it is all an imagination; it's an image in your mind. We have to realize that it has already been done away with. ***'And they shall see his face; and his name (nature or character) shall be in their foreheads'*** (in their minds). I'm going to have an image of God. What are you going to have in your mind? Are you going to have an image of God, or are you going to have an image of what religion teaches you? The truth will give you an image of who God really is. My book says that God is love. Well then how can He throw me in some eternal hell and torment me like they are talking about? That doesn't give me a good picture of my Father does it? My Father loves me, and my Father loves you because He is your Father too. He doesn't care what you look like, He doesn't care what you wear, He doesn't care how you present yourself in so many words, He does care if you portray His life. And if that life is in you, do you know how you will portray yourself? Just like Him. How can you be wrong? Will the world tell you that you are wrong? The world will tell you that you are wrong; you're crazy, you're off course, you're a lunatic, you're a heretic, and all kinds of other names they can think of to call you, but what does God call you? Son, blessed, holy, righteous, un-blame-able, not guilty, innocent; how many more adjectives do you need? In the mouth of two or three it's established.

Vs 5 ***'And there shall be no night there'*** what is nighttime? Darkness or ignorance. There will be no more ignorance in the mind of Christ. One thing I never have had patience for in the past, I have received more patience for that, and that is ignorance. When I was in the world, I couldn't handle ignorant people. I mean, I didn't understand how to understand them. I didn't know why they did the things that they did. Do you understand what I'm saying? Ignorance is a terrible thing...I always hated ignorance. The definition for ignorance is "not having any knowledge". It is a lack of knowledge. We think ignorance is something stupid. I told a friend of mine

one time that he was ignorant and he got mad at me. I said...no, no, no that isn't bad; you just have a lack of knowledge. Stupidity, now that is something bad; you have the knowledge and won't use it. But when you have a lack of knowledge, guess what? It's just ignorance; it just has not been revealed yet, in God's way. So ignorance is just a lack of understanding, or lack of knowledge of God. The reason people don't have a knowledge of God is because they don't get into this word enough do they? They just don't get in His word enough. If they knew His word, guess what they'd know. They would know Him. They would know His nature. They would know His character. They would have it all figured out, because they would all be in Him. It is not in me, it's in Him. ***'And there will be no night*** (ignorance) ***there; and they need no candle*** (they don't need an artificial man-made light; candles are man-made aren't they?) ***neither light of the sun*** (they don't even need any external light source, because the light, Christ, is within them; it's within you. You don't need an external light system to take care of things); ***because the Lord God gives them light: and they shall reign*** (rule) ***forever and ever*** (into the age of ages). There is no end; they are going to reign from now on.

Vs 6 ***'And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to show unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.'*** Doesn't that sound like the first verse that I just quoted a while ago? The first verse of the first chapter of this book; ***'the revelation of Jesus Christ which God gave unto him to show unto his servant things that must shortly come to pass, and he signified it through his servant John?'*** This is saying the same thing.

Vs 7 ***'Behold*** (or look) ***I come quickly*** (or I appear suddenly). ***Blessed is he that keeps the sayings of the prophecy of this book.*** There's verse three of the first chapter. This chapter is a re-iteration of several things that has already been said in this book.

Vs 8 ***'And I John saw these things, and heard them.*** Where do you think he heard them? Inside. We keep thinking that John is sitting on this Isle of Patmos, in a cave or on a rock somewhere all by himself, and he hears this big voice booming out of the heavens. Well you know, I can't find that anywhere in here; all I can find is that God is internal, He lives within me, He lives within you; He speaks within you, He speaks within me. And when God speaks to me, you don't hear it unless I open my mouth and speak it. When God speaks in you, I can't hear what God speaks in you unless you speak it to me. Is that true? God is showing us a pattern. If you have God

speaking in your life, you owe it to me to tell me what He says. I need to hear what God is saying in your life, not just what God is saying to me. I'm only a piece of this Christ. You have pieces of Christ that I don't have; God made it that way. And it all has to come together. The Feast of Tabernacles; the Feast of Ingathering; the Feast of Oneness. ***'I saw these things, and heard them*** (the word 'them' isn't there it's an added word); ***I saw these things and heard'*** In other words he saw something, but he understood, is what I believe he said. I understood what God was saying to me. ***'And when I had heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel'*** who is this angel? The messenger, the Christ. Jesus said, Hey, don't do this.

Vs 9 ***'Then said he unto me, See thou do it not*** (or don't you see, don't worship me) ***because I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book:***(right there is part of revelation 1:3 again) ***worship God.*** Worship whom? Worship God. It's not about any man. Jesus Himself said it in the gospels, He is saying it here, ***"Don't worship me, worship God."*** Jesus said, ***"There is none righteous except God."*** When people wanted to worship Him He said, "No, no, no, don't do it." There are those still worshipping Jesus the idol, the man; it's not about the flesh body that He walked in; it was about what was walking inside of that man. It was the anointing that He had, the Christ that He had. It wasn't about that flesh body He walked in. That's why there is no body left because they would have mummified it and worshipped it. That is not what it was about; it's about the Christ that was walking within the man. It's the same today. Unless Paul was totally nuts, guess what? He said, ***"if that same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, He'll quicken your mortal body,"*** right? So it's the same Spirit. There is only one isn't there? There's only one Holy Spirit. If we have the Holy Spirit, guess what? We have the same Spirit that He has. It is all the same.

Vs 10 ***'And he saith unto me, seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.'*** ***Seal not the sayings of this book;*** literally do not keep secret the prophecy of the overcoming victory of Christ in our heart. When it says, 'the sayings of the prophecy of this book' those words should literally say this: ***'Do not keep secret the prophecy of the overcoming victory of Christ in our heart.'*** Don't keep it secret in your heart. What are you supposed to do with it? Manifest the Son of God in your lives so others can see. Don't keep this victory of overcoming inside of you. If you do they will put it in a grave somewhere. They will put you in a wooden box and seal you up and bury you. That is the talent buried in the

earth. Don't let the talent be buried in the earth. Let it be manifested. Don't keep secret the prophecy of the overcoming victory of Christ in your heart; don't keep it in there. Let it out. ***'Because the time is at hand.'*** Literally 'time' is 'kairos', the set time. It's the time. Whenever you read this book, what time is it? It's time; it's the time. When God pulls the veil back on your heart and you can understand that He is speaking about you in this book, what time is it? Kairos, kairos; it's the set time for you. Everyone in this world doesn't hear this word at the same time do they? There are people that could read this for fifty years and never understand what it says. But when it's the set time, the Christ will open it up, and **you will** understand it.

Vs 11 ***'He that is unjust let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy (or literally morally wicked) let him be filthy (morally wicked) still: and he that is righteous (innocent) let him be righteous (innocent) still': and he that is holy, (pure, morally blameless, and consecrated) let him be holy still (pure, or morally blameless, or consecrated).*** What does that verse tell you? Let me make it simple; ***BE WHO YOU BE!*** That is what it is saying. It says if you are unjust, let him be unjust still; Just be who you are; don't try to be a hypocrite and be something you're not, be who you are. But do you know what, if you can see these things in your life and you know they are that, if you know that they are morally wicked, unjust, what should you do. If you can see that they are those things, then that tells me that God's heart is in you because you can see light from darkness. You know that there is a difference. There is hope in your life. That is the beginning of the unveiling of the Christ in you.

Vs 12 ***'And behold, I come (or I appear) quickly (or suddenly); and my reward is with (meta; in the midst of) me.'*** Wherever Christ is everything is with Him. It's within Him. Doesn't He have His reward in the midst of Him? It's us in Him and Him in us. Christ is the sufficiency of everything is He not? So when Christ appears what does He have with Him? Everything, it's all; because wherever He goes, that's where it is. Wherever He appears, He has the fullness of Him wherever He is. He doesn't appear as a right hand to someone; He doesn't appear as an ear to someone; He appears as the Christ, and He is the sufficiency of whatever you need in your life. He is there for everything; it's not just for one thing, it's for everything. No matter if it's a hangnail or if it's someone that splashes aids tainted liquid in your eyes. Is He your sufficiency? It does not make any difference. It is just as Paul shook off the snake shake it off. It does not make any difference what it is, He is totally sufficient and you are in Him. He said, ***"I appear quickly and my reward is in the midst of me, to give to every man according as his***

*work be*” (the word ‘shall’ shouldn’t be in there). *You’ll be judged according to your work*”. And then He makes this wild statement:

Vs 13 *‘I am Alpha and Omega’* what is Alpha and Omega? Alpha is the first letter of the alphabet; it would be like our A and Z; Alpha and Omega, the A to the Z; He is everything. And if you say, He is the word, wouldn’t everything He be, be the alphabet. That is how we make our words isn’t it? *‘The beginning and the end’*. The word beginning there is ‘arche’ (ar-khay’) and the end is ‘telos’ (tel’-os). He is the beginning, the end, the ‘arche, the telos’. And He is also *the first and the last*. The word ‘first’ there is ‘protos’. He is the prototype; wasn’t He the first? Someone would say that Adam was first; no he wasn’t. Jesus was the lamb that was slain before the foundation. He is the first fruit of all creation; it says that right in this book. So how could He not be the first? So He is the ‘protos’, the prototype and He is the ‘eschatos’. What is the ‘eschatos’? The religious people took this word and put ‘ology’ on the end of it, which would be eschatology and made it a big fancy word for end time prophetic language. Do you know what? This book isn’t about end-time prophetic language; it’s about a **NOW** language. There is nothing eschatological about this book, it’s a **NOW** book. In the tenth verse what did He say? *“The set time is now.”* This isn’t an end time book; and that is how the church has kept people ignorant for centuries and centuries and centuries. I’m speaking about the people of God, they have been ignorant of this book, because they believe it is something that is going to happen out there in the future somewhere, and it is something going on in our lives right now. How can I change if I keep looking for something out there and it’s going on inside of me, and I keep blaming the devil for what is going on inside of me, instead of looking to the responsibility of seeing what is going on. If I pay attention to what God said, I will look within myself for my problems. I’ll look in myself for the answer too, because the Christ is there to take care of it. But I’m not looking out there any longer, blaming anybody for anything going on in my life. As long as you do, any situation in your life, there is a reason for it; and God is behind everything that is going on. Quit fussing and carrying on about what is going on around us.

Vs 14 *‘Blessed are they* or literally the ones that *do his commandments*”. Do you know what? Those words aren’t correct there. Someone totally went into left field on that one because it does not say that. It says, *“Blessed are the ones that wash their robes”*. But do you know what, if you do His commandments you will wash your robe. But I’m telling you that the language says, *“they washed their robes”*. *Blessed are the ones that*

*washed their robes*. How am I going to wash my robes in His blood? When I realize that when He died on that cross, I was hanging inside those same robes. It was my blood that was being spilled out just like His. Romans 6 says, ***“That when he died we were crucified in him; and when he was buried I was buried with him; and when he came out of that tomb, we came out too”***. So when I know that it was my blood that was shed just like Him, it’s no different; my blood is no different than His blood, and your blood is not different than His blood; but you have to see it and know that when He died, you died in Him. If you don’t, you can’t get the picture. ***‘But they washed their robes, in order that they will be privileged to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates or the door into the city.’*** What is the door? Jesus, the Christ; He said, ***“I am the door.”***

Vs 15 ***‘But outside are dogs.’*** What are dogs? The Gentiles; or the non-believers. In Matthew 15:22 there was a parable, and the same parable is also in Mark 7 it says, ***the Canaanite woman came to Him and asked for prayer and healing for her daughter, and He said it was not proper to take the children’s bread and give it to the dogs. And she said, ‘But Lord, even the puppies get the crumbs under the table.*** And He said, ***“my God, I have never seen such faith in all of Israel. This woman knows that I am the Son of God.”*** He knew that she knew who He was. He said, ***“I’ve never seen such faith in all of Israel.”*** In Philippians 3:1 Paul told us something else: ***Beware of dogs***; unbelievers, beware. Paul told us ***be not deceived evil communications or lifestyles will corrupt good lifestyles***. So the Gentiles will pull us back, the non-believers will pull us back. We dealt with the dogs in verse 15, now sorcerers. ***Sorcerers***; the word is ‘Pharmacia’. I am speaking of something going on within us. Who is this sorcerer that is within me? It is my soul; it is the false teacher inside of me. It wants to hear the emotions and the will and desires of me over the will and desires of my Father. My soul is my sorcerer. It will deceive me. It’s a false teacher isn’t it? My soul will teach me about my emotions, and my will and my desires. But is that what it is about? Didn’t Jesus say, ***“Father, not my will but your will be done.”*** I have got to come to a place when I realize that my soul is my sorcerer, and she will deceive me. ***‘And whoremongers’*** what is a whoremonger? A whore is a woman; a whoremonger is a man who chases women. He’s a womanizer. I’m trying to show you a Spiritual truth here. A whoremonger is a man who chases after a woman. Now we are looking internal here. Who is chasing whom? The natural man chases after the soul. The natural man wants to go after the soulish realm, the woman; he is a whoremonger. The natural man wants to chase after the soul. The natural

man wants to go after the soul, that's the whoremonger, inside, and it's an internal thing. So my natural man wants to chase after soulish things. It is speaking of people that are wrapped up in emotions in church. I saw a church program on television and there was this woman on there and because women aren't allowed to preach in churches (another false teaching), she was sitting down at a chair at a keyboard so she could preach. She preached about 25 to 30 minutes. She was supposed to sing, but she got wound up and went off on a role preaching. Well this guy was sitting there looking like he was having epileptic seizures; but they thought he was spiritual. That was a whoremonger, by this book. He was chasing after those emotional feelings. And another man went up, and I can't even do the contortions that this guy did. I mean, I wish I could physically do it so I could show you; no I don't. But it looked like he was trying to have sex with the altar. He was like someone who was having a seizure; it was wild. And they thought this was spiritual. And these people fed on it. This is what the natural man that wants to chase after those emotions do and they feed upon that thing and it gets wild. Back to the verse: **'And murders'** what's the murderers inside of me? The carnal mind. It's the carnal mind and it murders the Christ in me. How do you think the lamb was slain, (not before the foundation); literally the word is 'conception'. So it should read **"at the conception of the world."** When Adam conceived that he wanted to make a choice against God, what did he do? He slew Christ in his heart. That natural man is a murderer. Just like Cain killed Abel; the positive and the negative; the bad seed the good seed. It follows all through scripture. My natural man always wants to do in the Spiritual man. Do you understand? So my natural man is what? He is a murderer. Notice where he says he is? Where is he? He is outside of you. Remember what I said this morning, once you realize that he's outside, they're always going to try to convince you that they're inside. That's not the problem. They're outside. We just have to know where they are don't we? That is all it is, it's outside. **'And whosoever loves and makes a lie'** Okay where are all the lies at now? They're images in front of our mind, but where are they? They are outside; He said these are all outside the gates of the city. Inside of Him there is no darkness, there are no whoremongers, no murderers, no false teachings; there is none of these things. It's all outside isn't it? It's outside of Christ. Then Jesus speaks up:

Vs 16 **'I Jesus have sent my angel to testify to you these things in the churches.'** You speak most of the things that He just said and that I have spoke of in these last 22 chapters, in the churches, and I guarantee that they will crucify you. They'll take you out and nail you to a tree if you can live

long enough to get that far. They aren't going to hear the truth. They will stone you before you get started. ***'I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright and morning star.'*** I missed a word back in verse 15; the last one is ***'idolaters'***. The idolaters are now outside the city. An idolater is the unfaithful part, and everything that is unfaithful in you will be outside the city. When you realize that God and the lamb is the light of you; when you realize they are the city utilities: They're the light, the water, everything you need. The city of utilities is Christ in God.

Vs 17 ***'And the Spirit and the bride*** (that's the Son's wife; literally in the language it says, The Spirit and the Son's wife) ***say, Come. And the ones that hear;*** remember Revelation 1:3 ***Blessed is he that hears the words of the prophecy of this book, say Come.*** So when you hear this you are going to say the same thing, 'Come.' You're going to want the Lord to manifest in your life, to appear in your life. ***'And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever*** (or the ones that ***will***, or desire to) ***let him take the water of life freely.'*** It's a word called 'dorea'; free and freely are the two words. What is that speaking of? It's a free gift; Dorea is the free gift of God. Does it cost me anything? Do I have to pay money to understand anything that God teaches me? Do you have to pay money for God to teach you? **No, this is something that is free.** And all of these ministries selling the understanding that God has given them; I don't believe they have understanding anymore. I believe once you begin to merchandise the gift that God gives you for a price, from there on out you are going into the intellect. I do not believe you can stay in the flow of the Spirit and prostitute His word. I do not believe that for one minute. It is freely given. Freely you receive, freely you give. Whenever you merchandise God's word you will no longer have the flow of God, but you will go off into some intellectual understanding. You will leave the path of righteousness.

Vs 18 The word 'for' is not even in the language. Literally it says, ***"I testify to every*** (the word is 'pas' which means ***all***). ***"I testify to all that hears the words of the prophecy of this book*** (which is ***biblion***) there are five words "book" in verses 18 and 19. The first, second, and third ones are 'biblion'. Strongs # 975 where we get our English word bible. In verse 18 ***"the prophecy of this book, and written in this book;*** both of these words are 'biblion', in verse 19 it says, ***"the words of the book"*** it's also the word 'biblion'. It also says in this verse that ***he shall take away his part out of the book of life.*** This word 'book' is the Greek word 'xulon' and the Strongs # 3586. This word should be translated 'tree'. If you look back in

verse 14: ***“Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life.”*** This word tree is ‘xulon’ Strongs #3586 the same as the word translated “book” in verse 18 which is incorrectly translated which would give the implication that one could be lost from God which is not true. They only loose their part out of the “tree of life” not out of “the book of life”. The tree of life is reserved for the Overcoming, First Fruit, Sons of God. ***“If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add upon him the plagues (calamities) that are written in this book.”***

Vs 19 ***‘And if any man take away from the words of this book (biblion) God shall take away his part (or His share) out of the book (xulon), out of the things that are written in this book). Five words, one of these is ‘biblion’, and the other one is ‘xulon’. The word ‘xulon’ is the word tree. If you go back to the 14<sup>th</sup> verse: Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have rights to the same word ‘xulon’, as is written down below, where He put book. Someone mistranslated. I don’t have part of the book of life. If you’re already written in the book of life then you are already part of the book of life. They can’t take you out of that. But you can’t have parts of the tree of life. This word is written four times in this twenty-second chapter; the words ‘xulon’, and all of these, guess what it is? Tree, except for this one time, they translate it ‘book’. It makes it convenient for them. It kind of goes along with that eternal damnation teaching: You can loose your part out of the book of life; that is not true. You can’t loose life. I can’t loose something that I have. If I have been dead and I have been resurrected, how could I loose it? I can’t loose it. That is a false teaching.***

Vs 20 ***‘He which testifies these things says’*** who is testifying? This isn’t Christ here. Remember what he said in the first verse: ***“The Revelation of Jesus Christ which God gave to him, Jesus, to show to His servants things which must shortly come to pass. And he sent and signified it by his servant”***. Now who is testifying of these things? John is testifying. John is saying, “This is what I heard, this is what I saw, this is what I understood.” This is John testifying here. ***‘He which testifies these things says, surely*** (now I’m going to break this language up; it’s going to be different, but this is what the language says.) ***‘He which testifies these things says, surely or yes, appear quickly.’*** Yes, appear quickly is what it should say. Amen. And then what does your King James say: ***Even so, come Lord Jesus?*** Uh Uh, he said the same thing twice, and they totally reworded it in the next few words. Where He says, ***‘surely I come quickly and even so come’*** it says the same thing. It spoke the same word, one right after the other. It should say, ***“Yes,***

*appear quickly; yes, appear Lord Jesus.*” Now how could that be Jesus saying, “appear Lord Jesus”? Could it? It was John testifying and saying, “Surely come quickly Lord, yes, come quickly Lord. It’s not about Jesus; this isn’t Jesus talking this is John talking. And then he said in the next verse:

Vs 21 *‘The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with* (the word ‘with’ is ‘meta’) *in the midst of you”*. Let me say it the way it should be: Do you know what grace means? It’s the divine influence in your heart and that reflection into your lifestyle. Now let me read what the Spirit says. **‘The divine influence and the reflection of that of our Lord Jesus Christ IS in the midst of you all.’** Where is it? The divine influence is in the midst of you and it needs to be reflected out in our lives. True or false? The last word...*A-men* (so be it), it’s a seal of approval. John is saying I agree with everything that has been said. I want to read some high points that were quickened in my Spirit about this book.

There are eleven things that I wrote down; major things that I got out of the teaching of this book and I know that there are some that I forgot. But I would like to express them. I found out that the Revelation of Jesus Christ is not external; it’s in me. First of all I learned it’s in me, so I can tell you it’s in you. I found out secondly, right in the first verse of the first chapter that it is symbolic language. It’s Spiritual; so I can’t read it with my natural mind can I? I must read it by the Spirit within me.

In verse three of the first chapter of Revelation I found out that I am blessed for reading, hearing and keeping His commandments. The church wants you to stay away from this book, because if you find out who you are, it’s going to give them a black eye.

I found out that it’s an internal book for not just **me**; it’s for **we**, or all of **us**. It’s not just for me; it’s for we.

I found out once and for all, and there will never be a doubt in my mind again about this thing that I am going to say, and you should never have a doubt in your mind again about this. That God loves us. You should never, ever doubt again that God loves you after the understanding of this book.

I found out that God is not angry or wrathful. I found out that someone mistranslated those words; it’s “orgei and thumas” and it literally means

**passion and desire.** I believe my God has a passion and a desire for His people. Just as much as any parent would have passion and desire for their children, only greater than any parent here on this earth could have. He has a passion and a desire for us.

I found out that the messenger speaking in this book is not some angel; or some fat, naked baby with wings. I found out that it was Christ speaking within my heart, and He is speaking within your heart. Do you understand that? It is not something external it's something internal. That Christ is speaking within me and He is speaking within you if you will listen to Him.

I found out that there is a change that is going to be made, and the change is not going to be external first. It is going to be internal first. And when God gets a hold of my heart and changes my heart, then I will no longer speak the worldly things out of my heart, because my heart is going to be the heart of the lamb. And when my heart and your heart is the heart of the lamb, you are going to speak as the lamb. You won't have those two horns on your head like it is in Revelation chapter thirteen. You have the horns on your head and look like a lamb, but you talk like a lion. You aren't going to have that duality in you any longer. I found out that this book is not speaking of anything natural. This whole book is Spiritual. "Imagine that". Written by the Spirit of God. It is not speaking about the natural and the physical things, and the whole church world today is trying to make this book fit into the newspaper or in current events. It's never going to happen.

I found out that He is the Alpha and the Omega; He is the Genesis and the Revelation of your life and mine. He began my life and He will finish my life. It is no longer what I do, but it is what He has already done and accomplished.

I found out about a "touchstone", and I understand more how people in my life are touchstones and they come by and we want to say that person beat me up, or they done some terrible thing to me, but all that person was, was a gift of God that He sent to you, to make a mark on you to see how you reacted and to see what quality of gold and silver you are.

And do you know what? I know how it ended. "In victory". We have become the victory of God in this earth because He has already won "in us". Now we are free to take that victory to other people. These are eleven things that were emphasized in my mind, and some of them weren't even in my

mind at all until I started the teaching of this book. As I taught, God brought me to a greater understanding. And if you can come to these things in your life and realize these things. That it's all inside and He is in control. He is driving and I am a passenger.

In God we need to just sit back, enjoy the scenery and leave the driving to Him. It's a whole lot better.

***“My desire is that this labor of love in this teaching of “The Revelation” will inspire in you a closer walk, or a greater intimacy with your Father and with the rest of the Christ and the whole of humanity”.***

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