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There are many “voices” that would distract us from the “normal scriptures” to chase after the “spectacular manifestations” but the still small voice within is calling us to pursue the Eternal Ways and its Means. This requires us to stay within the New Covenant reality, by our experience and the revealed Purpose of God, the Almighty. Since the Creator God has given us pictures, types and shadows of His Ultimate Reality, it is imperative that we hold to the course God has set for us! Our Viewpoint of the scriptures is always, the Kingdom Viewpoint.

This viewpoint assumes that there is a Divine Design and a Fixed Plan and Methodical System to reach that Ultimate Purpose. This is, within our understanding, the only rational thing to pursue in this Church Life of and in the Christian Life!

Mat 24:14 "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.

While we have no objection to the spectacular manifestations and the Gifts of the Spirit, that is just not our concern at this time. Are the gifts, healings, signs, wonders, spiritual travel, prophetic insight of future events and the greater works important to this generation? Of course, it is because that revelation is part of God's Evangelistic plan. Still, even though these things have been taking place during the last century and until now, slightly, the church has not advanced in inner growth according to God's Design. It is for that reason that we must hold the course of researching the depths of God's Providential Support to reach His Desired Purpose.

It is my opinion that the Seven Feasts will eventually reveal God's Providential Hand that Supports our goal to announce His “Three Part Growth Plan” to cause the Final Harvest of the Earth.

Why do we pursue that objective? That is because as the Harvest Year ends, the Governmental Year begins. Jesus begins His Visible Reign on earth when the Governmental Years begin! The Harvest Year incorporates these Three Feasts that are experienced in Seven portions in our experience.

These Three Feasts are Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles!

Specifically, they unfold as

- (1) Passover, unleavened Bread and First Fruits
- (2) Pentecost
- (3) The Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement and
- (4) The Feast of Tabernacles.

It is these Seven Experiences leading to the total Harvest that merges into the Kingdom and into its Governmental Dominion. The “Governmental Dominion” means living within and under the Absolute Sovereignty of the Almighty, Creator God! This means living within the Kingdom of God's Internal Government! This means under His King Eternal, Christ Jesus, and the Priesthood of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Man, Christ Jesus, has ascended to the Right Hand of God and has become the Sovereign King / Priest over the Current Creation of God. However, this King / Priesthood is working in the Invisible Realm.

Since ALL Authority over heaven and earth has been given to Him, there is no other valid Authority that exists, on the Earth. Since this Sovereign Kingdom Government incorporates a Kingdom of Priests it is imperative that we develop a clear understanding of how God has ordained and revealed the process to produce these Eternal Things.

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It is for that reason that I can offer no apology for the current offence created by these Seven Feasts.

Duet 16:13 "You shall celebrate the Feast of Booths [Tabernacles] seven days after you have gathered in from your threshing floor and your wine vat;

14 and you shall rejoice in your feast, you and your son and your daughter and your male and female servants and the Levite and the stranger and the orphan and the widow who are in your towns.

15 "Seven days you shall celebrate a feast to the LORD your God in the place which the LORD chooses, because the LORD your God will bless you in all your produce and in all the work of your hands, so that you shall be altogether joyful.

16 "Three times in a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses, at the Feast of Unleavened Bread [Passover] and at the Feast of Weeks [Pentecost] and at the Feast of Booths [Tabernacles] , and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed.

17 "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you.

Exo 23:14 "Three times a year you shall celebrate a feast to Me.

15 "You shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread; for seven days you are to eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the appointed time in the month Abib, for in it you came out of Egypt. And none shall appear before Me empty-handed.

16 "Also you shall observe the Feast of the Harvest of the first fruits of your labors from what you sow in the field; also, the Feast of the Ingathering at the end of the year when you gather in the fruit of your labors from the field.

17 "Three times a year all your males shall appear before the Lord GOD.

Exo 34:18 You shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread. For seven days you are to eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the appointed time in the month of Abib, for in the month of Abib you came out of Egypt.

19 "The first offspring from every womb belongs to Me, and all your male livestock, the first offspring from cattle and sheep.

20 "And you shall redeem with a lamb the first offspring from a donkey; and if you do not redeem it, then you shall break its neck. You shall redeem all the first-born of your sons. **And none shall appear before Me empty-handed.**

21 "You shall work six days, but on the seventh day you shall rest; even during plowing time and harvest you shall rest.

22 "And you shall celebrate the Feast of Weeks, that is, the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the turn of the year [Tabernacles].

23 "Three times a year all your males are to appear before the Lord GOD, the God of Israel.

24 "For I will drive out nations before you and enlarge your borders, and no man

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shall covet your land when you go up three times a year to appear before the LORD your God.

Since each one of these Feasts is a "harvest Feast" everybody must bring in his own harvest because no one dare appear before God with empty hands. **Each one must bring the produce from what he has planted, matured and harvested. from his own field.**

Multitudes are told they can all appear before God with empty hands simply because of what they believe about Jesus. Therefore, multitudes are lazy and rest in the day of harvest. They don't prepare the soil, they don't plant any seed and they don't carefully bring a harvest to maturity. They don't harvest anything because they didn't plant anything and yet they are assured they are ready to appear before God **empty handed.** The manifested sons of God will harvest something they have sowed and brought to maturity during each of the three harvest seasons!

Proverbs 10:5 **He who gathers in summer is a son who acts wisely,** But he who sleeps in harvest is a son who acts shamefully.

Those who are actively preparing for the Seventh Month Harvest will be careful to go up to meet with God for ALL THREE FEASTS. (1) Passover (2) Pentecost (3) Tabernacles. They will be careful to have something to offer to God from EACH OF THESE FEASTS. No "son" will appear before God with empty hands and with nothing to offer. This fact will infuriate the lukewarm and the super-grace people. Why? The casual believer has no idea that he cannot appear before God because he has planted nothing and harvested nothing because he was told that "harvest" is only "works" which he should avoid at all cost.

Besides this they are told the Feasts are Old Covenant and don't apply to us. Of course, the "letter" of the Feasts don't apply to us but the spiritual fulfillment does apply to us. The "substance of each feast" is Christ but "Christ" is BOTH Head and body. The "substance" of each feast applies to the body also but not in the same measure that it applies to the Head. For example; the body cannot pay the redemption price for the sinners.

The Feast of the Day of Atonement was when the Old Testament high priest entered into the Most Holy Place and sprinkled the blood of the first "Atonement goat" upon the Mercy Seat. However, now in Hebrews 9 we see that this was just a copy and a shadow of the New Covenant fulfillment. The reality of this type was when Jesus Christ, our High Priest entered into the Holy Place, not made with hands, into heaven itself.

The Holy Place and the Most Holy Place in the Heavenly Tabernacle of God are the fulfillment of the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place in the earthly tabernacle. Jesus Christ is the Reality and the Eternal High Priest, after the Order of Melchizedek, just as Aaron was the high priest on earth and was a type or picture of the True High Priest, Jesus Christ. No matter how much we insist this is Old Testament and doesn't apply to us, the Word of God speaks differently.

Aaron, the high priest, made the "atonement Sacrifice for Israel" with the blood of bulls and goats but our High Priest made "atonement for the world with His Own Blood." Of course, the "body" cannot do that because that was only done by the High Priest. Still there **IS** a Royal Kingdom of Priests who are the sons of the High Priest. This Priesthood will be After the Order of Melchizedek! They also stand before the Lord, minister to the Lord and Burn Incense. In this

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way they become His ministers.

Heb 9:6 Now when these things have been thus prepared, the priests are continually entering the outer tabernacle, performing the divine worship,

7 but into the second only the high priest enters, once a year, not without taking blood, which he offers for himself and for the sins of the people committed in ignorance.

8 The Holy Spirit is signifying this, that the way into the holy place has not yet been disclosed, while the outer tabernacle is still standing,

9 which is a symbol for the present time. Accordingly, both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make the worshiper perfect in conscience,

10 since they relate only to food and drink and various washings, regulations for the body imposed until a time of reformation.

11 But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation;

12 and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

Heb 10:19 Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus,

20 by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,

21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

22 let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Not everybody can accept that the Feasts are valid for us Christians to follow. The main reason is because they are from the Old Testament. They are assumed to be only laws and rituals for the land of ancient Israel. However, these Feasts were a part of the reality of EVERYTHING God showed Moses when he was on Mount Sinai.

If one thing of the Old Testament is as a valid type for the New Covenant Christian, then all is valid as a type, within the context and reality of the New Covenant. ALL these things were written down for us.

I Cor 10:1 For I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea;

2 and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

3 and all ate the same spiritual food;

4 and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they were drinking from a spiritual rock which followed them; and the rock was Christ.

5 Nevertheless, with most of them God was not well-pleased; for they were laid low in the wilderness.

6 Now these things happened as examples for us, so that we would not crave evil things

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as they also craved.

7 Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written, "THE PEOPLE SAT DOWN TO EAT AND DRINK, AND STOOD UP TO PLAY."

8 Nor let us act immorally, as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in one day.

9 Nor let us try the Lord, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the serpents.

10 Nor grumble, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer.

11 **Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.**

12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.

One thing, that I presented that was offensive is based upon the "three feasts" and that "No one can appear before God empty handed" and you can only "offer what you planted in your field that you brought to maturity."

In that former document, I was introducing the harvest of "the First Fruit" from the Kingdom viewpoint and NOT from the viewpoint of the basic beginnings to the Christian's Life. Thank God for the basic beginnings but let us make a distinction between that and laying the basic Outer Court foundations and a Mature Harvest for the Earth.

What I wrote before was just a shallow introduction to the Three Main Feasts for a "new" group of Christians. It is obvious that I will need to add to the "concept of the feasts" and fix some of these objections. It is probable that even "the Feast of the Blowing of Trumpets" will offend some because of some perceived excuse about "Titles and Callings and placement in the Body of Christ."

Some basic understanding of the blowing of Trumpets is revealed in Numbers 10. The Trumpets were also associated with the walls of Jericho. Of course, some good and valid interpretations come from Joel 2. It is not just the physical trumpets but the **MESSAGE they portray IN EVERY AGE.**

Joel 2:1 Blow a trumpet in Zion and sound an alarm on My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, **For the day of the LORD is coming; Surely it is near,** 2 A day of darkness and gloom, A day of clouds and thick darkness. As the dawn is spread over the mountains, So there is a great and mighty people; There has never been *anything* like it, Nor will there be again after it To the years of many generations.

3 A fire consumes before them and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the garden of Eden before them but a desolate wilderness behind them, and nothing at all escapes them.

4 Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like war horses, so they run.

5 With a noise as of chariots They leap on the tops of the mountains, Like the crackling of a flame of fire consuming the stubble, like a mighty people arranged for battle.

6 Before them the people are in anguish; All faces turn pale.

7 They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like soldiers; And they each march in line, Nor do they deviate from their paths.

8 They do not crowd each other, They march everyone in his path; When they burst through the defenses, They do not break ranks.

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9 They rush on the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter through the windows like a thief.

10 Before them the earth quakes, the heavens tremble, the sun and the moon grow dark and the stars lose their brightness.

11 The LORD utters His voice before His army; Surely His camp is very great, for strong is he who carries out His word. The day of the LORD is indeed great and very awesome, and who can endure it?

12 "Yet even now," declares the LORD, "Return to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, weeping and mourning;

13 And rend your heart and not your garments." Now return to the LORD your God, For He is gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger, abounding in loving kindness and relenting of evil.

14 Who knows whether He will *not* turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him, *even* a grain offering and a drink offering For the LORD your God?

15 Blow a trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly,

16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, Assemble the elders, Gather the children and the nursing infants. Let the bridegroom come out of his room and the bride out of her *bridal* chamber.

17 Let the priests, the LORD'S ministers, Weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, And do not make Your inheritance a reproach, A byword among the nations. Why should they among the peoples say, 'Where is their God?'

It is true that the Trumpets in the Seventh Month are at the END of the Harvest Season but are blown before the final harvest. In fact, it is the Trumpets that ANNOUNCE the final harvest of the Harvest Year. It is also the Trumpets that announce the BEGINNING of the Governmental Year.

My father was in the mining business and we delivered coal to "coal houses" in the 1940s. At one location the owner asked my Dad if he believed in the second coming. My father said YES and I believe He comes for someone EVERY DAY.

It is the EVERY DAY COMING THAT WE SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT in our personal Christian experience and our growth!

When the Last Trumpet sounds and the time of the LAST Feast of Tabernacles begins, it is too late to begin to prepare. These Final Trumpets are the WARNING Trumpets of Joel but each Trumpet has an application in every age.

I Cor 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound**, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed

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up in victory.

The First Trumpets are a warning and an announcement but when the Last Trumpet sounds everything in this age comes to a close and the Kingdom age and Government of God emerges into reality. At this time the Tabernacle of God will be a reality and it will be the Kingdom Tabernacle. The New Earth, the New Heaven and the New Jerusalem will be that reality. They will represent the Tabernacle of God!

We are in NO WAY bad mouthing the gifts, basic beginnings, miracles, signs and wonders, walking on water, spiritual travel or the greater works. If it is time for a universal manifestation of finding ourselves "Transported" instantly to other countries, I will accept that and be happy to participate. Nevertheless, none of those things can define the various Harvests of the Earth. Heaven is in three places and each place has its Harvest.

Rev 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: **for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.**

16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, **Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.**

19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

The harvest of the earth is in two parts; the first for the righteous and the last for the unrighteous and then the Last Harvest is cast into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

If we view this within the context of Scripture, the Harvest of the Earth seem clear.

Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed *are* the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.

14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

It is clear that the Harvest of the Earth is in different stages and performed by different means, at different times.

This Harvest in Revelation 14 is not about the First Fruits being caught up to the throne of God but this "sickle harvest" is taking place during the Tribulation and is a resurrection of the dead "which die in the Lord." We would not understand this significance unless we understood the various Feasts and the various harvests. When we neglect any of the Types given us, as

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Christians, we will just remain ignorant of God's plan, His ultimate Purpose and His Eternal Provision. The Book of Revelation will be just another mystery.

The Harvest of the Earth is a real Harvest. Each time a sickle is thrust in, a Harvest is Reaped. There will come a time when the Harvest is Ripe and the First Sickle is thrust in. This will be the First Harvest of the First Fruits. These will be caught up to the Throne of God. This is the Harvest of the First Fruits of the Earth. Succeeding Harvests follow this Harvest until the final Harvest comes. This final harvest is the harvest of destruction: **cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.** The Joel 2 harvest is a terrifying event. This begins with the Trumpets Blowing. These are not the Old Covenant Trumpets but are happening during the end of the New Covenant Times. These Trumpets sound an alarm in God's Holy Mountain. This sound is announcing the Day of the Lord. These Trumpets are blown to end the Earth Governments and to begin the Governmental Years of the Lord. This time period is 1,000 years. Jesus will set up His Kingdom upon the earth for 1,000 years.

Then the Tabernacle of God will be set up in the "visible realm" with a New Creation.

Rev 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer *any* sea.

2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "**Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men**, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them,

4 and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."

This Tabernacle of God is what God showed Moses when he was on Mount Sinai. God told him to make a copy of that tabernacle for the earth and for the Old Covenant. Moses chose earth things to make a copy of the Heavenly Things. The Earth Tabernacle had to be movable so they could take it with them into the wilderness and after 40 years they took it into Israel. The Earth Tabernacle was where God came down to dwell among His people.

Rev 21:5 And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true."

6 Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost.

7 "**He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son.**

8 "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

9 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, "**Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.**"

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The Old Testament revealed that there would be a Bride company for the Messiah. Now the angel is finally going to show John the Bride, the wife of the Lamb. John makes the Bride Visible by words, in the Spirit!

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God. Her brilliance was like a very costly stone, as a stone of crystal-clear jasper.

12 It had a great and high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names *were* written on them, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel.

13 *There were* three gates on the east and three gates on the north and three gates on the south and three gates on the west.

14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundation stones, and on them *were* the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

15 The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod to measure the city, and its gates and its wall.

16 The city is laid out as a square, and its length is as great as the width; and he measured the city with the rod, fifteen hundred miles; its length and width and height are equal.

17 And he measured its wall, seventy-two yards, *according to* human measurements, which are *also* angelic *measurements*.

18 The material of the wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

19 The foundation stones of the city wall were adorned with every kind of precious stone. The first foundation stone was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald;

20 the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, jacinth; the twelfth, amethyst.

21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was a single pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

22 I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

23 And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb.

24 The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

25 In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed;

26 and they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it;

27 and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but **only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.**

These words make the Bride/The City visible. The City is the Bride of the Lamb. The description of the City is the description of the Bride of the Lamb. The description of the Bide/City does not look like a Bride but it looks like a City with walls, gates, streets, stones and it had the Glory of God shining in it. It had 12 foundations stones, each made with different material. The Gates were made of Pearls. The City glowed with Light whose Lamp was the

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Lamb. The Nations of the New Earth walked by that Light! Those who were citizens of the Bride / City could bring the glory and honor of the nations into it.

These are those whose Names are written down in the Lamb's Book of Life! Those who dwell in the New Jerusalem have their Names written down in the Lamb's Book of Life. That is because they are His Bondservants and were totally Consecrated and given to the Lamb.

However, and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it. These people dwell on the earth but they cannot ever enter into the New Jerusalem, the City and the Bride, the New Jerusalem!

This honor is given **only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.** These are truly totally given to the Lamb and their names are written down in the Lambs Book of Life! These people are Really, Truly, Fully Consecrated to the Lord. They have truly passed through the Veil of Truth.

Rev 22:1 Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb,

2 in the middle of its street. **On either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month;** and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

3 There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, **and His bond-servants will serve Him; 4 they will see His face, and His name *will be on their foreheads.***

The New Jerusalem is made up of those who are Consecrated, as Bondservants, who are given totally to Him, to serve Him.

Rev 22:5 And there will no longer be ***any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever.***

6 And he said to me, "These words are faithful and true"; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants the things which must soon take place.

7 **"And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book.**

The Angel of God comes to show His Bondservants the things that must SHORTLY take place!

Rev 22:12 "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, **to render to every man according to what he has done.**

13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

14 **Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and may enter by the gates into the city.**

15 Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and **everyone who loves and practices lying.**

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16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

All these things are speaking of the Bride of Jesus. SHE is a city with walls, gates, streets, foundations. She contains the Glory of God and shines that Glory forth as light. She contains the Light to illuminate the Nations of the New Earth. Her LAMP is the Lamb.

Rev 22:18 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, **God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book**; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, **God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city**, which are written in this book.

This BOOK is not the Bride / City but the Book is the Prophecy that are written down for us to follow! Revelation 21 is the description of the Bride/City and how she is made!

The Bride was made ready in Revelation 19 after the Final Harvest of the Earth was announced in Heaven.

Rev 19:5 And a voice came from the throne, saying, "Give praise to our God, all you **His bond-servants**, you who fear Him, the small and the great."

6 Then I heard *something* like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."

8 It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

9 Then he *said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he *said to me, "These are true words of God.'"

Not everyone who is in heaven are the Bride of Christ, the City! There is a large group of souls who are in Heaven who will be invited to attend the Wedding Feast but they are NOT the Bride! The Wedding takes place in Revelation 19 before the 1,000 year reign and the Governmental Years begin in Revelation 20.

It seems that the Bride/the City/The Armies/ in heaven will come to earth with Christ Jesus in the final harvest of the Earth. This will finish the Wrath of God on those who remain and for the Last Battles.

Rev 19:13 He *is* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.

14 **And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white *and* clean, were following Him on white horses.**

15 From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty.

16 And on His robe and on His thigh, He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND

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Rev 19:20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone.

21 And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

That finished that Harvest of the Earth and now the Governmental Year of the Lord begins in Revelation 20. Christ Jesus will rule on the Earth for 1,000 years.

Rev 20:6 Blessed **and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.**

7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison,
8 and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore.

There was the First Resurrection and now at the end of 1,000 years there will be the Second and Last Resurrection.

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one *of them* according to their deeds.
14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

15 **And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.**

At the End of the 1,000-year reign of Christ Jesus on the Earth there will be the final Resurrection. There will be those whose names will be written in the Book of Life and they will be saved. All those whose name was not written down **in the Book of Life** were thrown into the Lake of Fire.

The first group that was resurrected, their names were found in the **LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE!** The Book of Life contains the Names of those who have the very minimum and the basic salvation. They get resurrected at the end of the 1,000-year Reign of Christ Jesus. This is the Last of the Harvest of the Earth.

All this started with the Feast of the Blowing of Trumpets. Not the Old Covenant Feast that was held in Israel. This is the New Covenant Feast recorded in Joel 2.

Joel 2:28 **"It will come about after this** That I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; And your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young

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men will see visions.

29 "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

30 "I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire and columns of smoke.

31 "The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood **Before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.**

32 "And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of the LORD Will be delivered;
For on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem There will be those who escape, As the LORD has said, Even among the survivors whom the LORD calls.

The Lord has poured out His Spirit on all of mankind now in Acts 2. The New Covenant time has started at Calvary. In Acts 2 God poured out His Spirit. Joel 2 is speaking about this Time Period.

We, each Christian, must be prepared for that final harvest. Our calling is to "prepare" the "**Book of Life of the Lamb**" **group of persons.** That is to prepare them for the First Resurrection and to inhabit the Bride / the City / the New Jerusalem. The New Jerusalem City spells out the Preparation of the Bride and the Perfection she must obtain.

That Preparation, in Revelation 21, is so complicated that I have no idea how it is to be accomplished. I can only point out the need but not the process. This is something that God must raise up and expose the methods of that Perfection. Jesus PURCHASED everything that is needed at Calvary when He fulfilled every sacrifice and every blood offering.

Yes! All the provision has been supplied. All each of us has to do is discover it.

I am guessing that The End Time Ministry will come out of the Holy Place Priesthood Ministry.

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It is true that these Priests are part of the First Resurrection and they will Reign with Christ for 1,000 Years. However, these Priests prove that The Kingdom will have a Priesthood. These Priests will be after the Order of Melchizedek. It will be a Kingdom of Priests who will Rule with Christ. I am guessing that God will raise up a Priesthood during this time of Earth. They will become that First Resurrection. This GROUP will be PREPARED since the First Pentecost in Acts 2!