Lesson 21: All Things New

Revelation 21
What happens *just before* the Millennium?

- 19:11-20:6—(17 verses)
- Christ returns with the saints
- Christ defeats armies of the beast
- Beast and false prophet are captured and thrown into the lake of fire
- Satan is captured and imprisoned in the abyss
- Deceased tribulation saints are resurrected
What happens *during* the Millennium?

- Satan bound in abyss (20:2-3)
- Saints reign with Christ (20:4, 6)
What happens just after the Millennium?

• 20:7-21:8—(17 verses)
• Satan released and defeated with earth’s rebels
• Satan cast into the lake of fire
• Destruction of the universe
• All the wicked dead resurrected for final judgment
• New universe created
The Seventh Bowl

Contents of 7th Bowl Introduced— 16:17-21
[Interlude (Part 1): Babylon, the harlot]— 17:1-19:10

Contents of 7th Bowl— 19:11-21:8

- Christ’s Return (19b)
- Millennium (20a)
- Great White Throne Judgment (20b)
- New Creation (21a)

[Interlude (Part 2): New Jerusalem, the bride]— 21:9-22:5
What do the seals, trumpets, and bowls finally bring about?

• New heavens and new earth (21:1)
  – Full fellowship with God (21:2-4)
  – Fulfillment to all prophecy (21:5-6a)
  – Final victory for believers (21:6b-8)
Babylon the Great and New Jerusalem
Similarities

• Both are cities
• Both are depicted as women
• Both are adorned with gold, precious stones, and pearls

“What city is like the great city?” (18:18)
Babylon the Great and New Jerusalem Differences

• Unclean things/ No unclean things
  (18:2/ 21:27)
• Glorifies self/ Has glory of God
  (18:7/ 21:11, 23)
• Makes nations drunk/ Heals nations
  (18:3/ 22:2)
• Mourning and weeping/ No more
  (18:7-19/ 21:4)
Babylon the Great and New Jerusalem
Differences

• No more light/ Light is the Lamb
  (18:23/ 22:3)
• No more wedding joy/ Wedding joy
  (18:23/ 19:7-9; 21:2, 9)
• “Kings of the earth” defiled/ Glorified
  (17:2, 18; 18:3, 9/ 21:24)
• Doomed / Everlasting
  (17:1, 16-17; 18:2, 4-23; 19:1-3/ 22:5)