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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?"

THE DWELLING OF GOD AND THE ETERNAL STATE

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The Apostle John Wrote Earlier...

1 John 1:11-4

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— :2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— :3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. :4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.

Revelation 22:12-17

“And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, to give to every one according to his work. :13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End, the First and the Last.” :14 Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. :15 But outside *are* dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie. :16 “I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star.” :17 And the Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let him who hears say, “Come!” And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?

I.) *Because Jesus Christ is the Reality*

v.12a

“And behold, I am coming quickly...

no less that six times does Jesus teach us about his return, twice as a warning, Revelation 2:5;16 and four times as a promise in Revelation 3:11, 22:7, 12, 20

NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?

II.) Because Jesus Christ is the Reward

v.12b

and My reward *is* with Me,
to give to every one according to his work

Salvation is apart from works, says the Bible,
but the Lord will give rewards according to the works which the Christian, the one who has come to Jesus, has done while in this world!

The **Unsaved** will be **Condemned** by their Works
While the **Saved** are **Rewarded** for their Works

You and I will be Rewarded for Every Penny
that we've Invested in the Work of the Lord

You and I will be Rewarded for Every Effort
that we've made to Tell Others about Jesus and His love for them.

You and I will be Rewarded for Every Act of Obedience
to Christ while in this Life

Matthew 13:23

But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands *it*, who indeed bears fruit and produces:
some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.”

**Here's a Simple, but Powerful Self-Test
to Determine if You Are
a Real, Fruit-Bearing Christian...**

What "Effect for Christ" Have You Left People?

His Reward Will be **The Complete Redemption** of Our Person

NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?

III.) Because Jesus Christ is the Righteousness v.13

I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the Beginning and the End,*
the First and the Last."

How is Jesus Christ Our Righteousness? Jesus is God Incarnate

These are a Few of the Scriptures That Teach This Truth

Isaiah 48:12

*"Listen to Me, O Jacob, and Israel, My called:
I am He, I am the First, I am also the Last.*

Isaiah 44:6

*"Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: `I am the First and
I am the Last; besides Me there is no God.*

Isaiah 41:4

*Who has performed and done it, calling the generations from the beginning?
"I, the LORD, am the first; and with the last I am He."*

Isaiah. 43:10

*"You are My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know
and believe Me, And understand that I am He.
Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me.*

Revelation 1:8

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who
was and who is to come, the Almighty."*

Revelation 4:8

*The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not
rest day or night, saying: "Holy, holy, holy, lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"*

Revelation 1:11

*saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a
book and send it to the seven churches*

Revelation 21:6

And He said to me, "It's done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

Revelation 22:13

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, them Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."

Revelation 1:17

*And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; **I am the First and the Last***

Revelation 1:18

*"**I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen.***

Revelation 2:8

*"And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write, `These things says the **First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life:***

1 John 5:20

*And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ.
This is the true God and eternal life.*

1 Timothy 3:16

*And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: **God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up in glory.***

Titus 2:13

*looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of **our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,***

John 8:58

*Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM.**"*

John 8:24

*"Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for **if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.**"*

John 10:32

*Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" :33 The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because **You, being a Man, make Yourself God.**"*

Titus 2:10

...that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.

Jude 1:24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, 25 To God our Savior, who alone is wise...

1 Timothy 4:10

For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially for those who believe.

Isaiah 42:8

I am the LORD, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another...

Hosea 13:4

Yet I am the LORD your God ever since the land of Egypt, and you shall know no God but Me; for there is no Savior besides Me.

Isaiah 45:21

Tell and bring forth your case; yes, let them take counsel together. Who has declared this from ancient time? Who has told it from that time? Have not I, the LORD? And there is no other God besides Me, a just God and a Savior; there is none besides Me.

Isaiah 43:11

I, even I, am the LORD (yehovah), and besides Me there is no savior.

Psalms. 68:4

*Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds,
By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him.*

Proverbs. 30:4

*Who has ascended into heaven, or descended?
Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, If you know?*

Psalm 2:11-12

Serve the LORD with fear, And rejoice with trembling. :12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

Isaiah 7:14

"Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. = "God among us"

Luke 1:30-32

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. 32 "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest;

Philippians 2:10-11

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 3:20

*For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for
The Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,*

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. = Savior!

John 4:42

And so the Samaritans said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

I John 4:14

And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent The Son as Savior of the world.

2 Peter 1:11

for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

It's No Wonder Then...

Romans 10:13

For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Philippians 2:10-11

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Acts 4:12

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

and this is just the beginning...

NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?

IV.) Because Jesus Christ is the Request

v.14-16

:14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. **:15** But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie. **:16** "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star."

NOW WILL YOU COME - PLEASE?

V.) Because Jesus Christ is Requesting You

v.17

:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come.
Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

Come!

(a very common, simple word in the greek language, which means...
to show up, to arrive, the return, to be there)

“Come! - - says the Holy Spirit”
“Come! - - says the Bride, The Church”
“Come! - - says He who Thirsts”

There is a Subtle, yet Profound Truth Here in the Greek Construction of
this Verse.

Verse 17

And the Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” (***please be there***) And let him who hears
say, “Come!” (***please be there***) And let him who thirsts come (***please be there***).
Whoever desires, LET HIM take the water of life freely.

Collectively, the Confession is - - Come Lord Jesus!
the (Holy) Spirit and the bride (Church) say, “Come!”
And let him who hears (Believers) say, “Come!”

Also Collectively is the Command - - Come To The Lord Jesus!
... And let him who thirsts Come.

**Whoever desires, LET HIM take
the water of life freely.**

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