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# A new heaven and a new earth The new Jerusalem comes down from heaven God Himself will dwell with His creation No more death or mourning or crying or pain - the old order of life has passed away

5. God is everything - the alpha and omega

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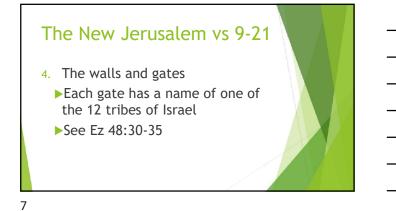
#### The New Jerusalem vs 9-21

- 1. The new Jerusalem
  - This could be the same angel of 17:1
  - There is a purposeful contrast between God's people and satan's people





4. The walls and gates
The city is surrounded by walls and has 12 gates
Each gate is guarded by an angel
Three gates on each side of the city





- 4. The walls and gates
   Only those whose names are written on the Book of Life can enter 21:27
  - The walls have 12 foundations
     Each foundation has a name of one of the 12 apostles on it

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- 5. The Measurements
  - The angel had a measuring rod of gold
  - ▶See Ez 40-41

- 5. The Measurements
  The city is laid out in a square, maybe even a cube
  - ►NOTE! The cube shape reminds us of the Holy of Holies in the temple which was a perfect cube. See 1 Kings 6:19ff ; Ez 40 - 41

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- 5. The Measurements
  - The symbolism is that the whole city is the Holy of Holies
  - ► It is the perfect place or the place of perfection
  - ►It is the Shekinah of God

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- 5. The Measurements
  - ► Further measures of perfection are:
  - The length, height and width are 12,000 stadia
  - The thickness of the walls are 144 cubits

- 6. The Materials
  - The walls are made of Jasper clear as crystal
  - The city is made of pure gold pure as glass
  - NOTE! There is a transparency or translucency about the city

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- 6. The Materials
  - The foundations of the wall are decorated with precious stones of all types and beauty
  - ►NOTE! The idea of the "city of the gods"

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- 6. The Materials
  - Each gate is made from a single pearl!
  - The pearl was the most valued stone in the ancient world
  - Hence, merchants would seek the pearl of great price - Matt 13:45-46

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- The Great street is made of pure gold - as pure as transparent glass
- ►NOTE! There is a dazzling, shining, brilliance about the city of God

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#### The New Jerusalem vs 9-21

- 7. The Occupants
   God Himself will dwell there. There will be no need for a representation of Him, He will be there physically
  - ►God will be the light source
  - ► There will never be any darkness!

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7. The Occupants

- Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of Life will be live there
- The glory of the nations will be experienced
- Nothing impure nor anything shameful or deceitful will mar the city of God

# Conclusion/Summary

- The New Jerusalem will be a place a dazzling brilliance that only the righteous can view and enjoy
- God's Shekinah glory will be seen and shared by the redeemed of humanity
- His shekinah will be reflected in every aspect of the new heaven and earth!
- Including us!