



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

Lord, help me to stay absolutely committed to the assignment You've given me, ready to do whatever is necessary to finish the job. Forgive me for giving up so easily in the past when I ran into barriers. Help me to get more creative the next time I hit an impasse so I can find a way to do what You've called me to do. I know that by the power of Your Spirit, I can show much more fortitude in the face of obstacles than I've done in the past. Forgive me for being so easy on myself. I ask You now to teach me how to operate in Your strength and wisdom when I encounter impasses so that I can forge ahead to finish the job You've given me to do, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sparkling Gems from the Greek.

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## Scripture

## Revelation 22

Revelation 22:1-21 (AMP): 1 THEN HE showed me the river whose waters give life, sparkling like crystal, flowing out from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 Through the middle of the roadway of the city; also, on either side of the river was the tree of life with its twelve varieties of fruit, yielding each month its fresh crop; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing and the restoration of the nations. 3 There shall no longer exist there anything that is accursed (detestable, foul, offensive, impure, hateful, or horrible). But the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall worship Him [pay divine honors to Him and do Him holy service]. 4 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. 5 And there shall be no more night; they have no need for lamplight or sunlight, for the Lord God will illuminate them and be their light, and they shall reign [as kings] forever and ever (through the eternities of the eternities). 6 And he [of the seven angels further] said to me, These statements are reliable (worthy of confidence) and genuine (true). And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent His messenger (angel) to make known and exhibit to His servants what must soon come to pass. 7 And behold, I am coming speedily. Blessed (happy and to be envied) is he who observes and lays to heart and keeps the truths of the prophecy (the predictions, consolations, and warnings) contained in this [little] book. 8 And I, John, am he who heard and witnessed these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell prostrate before the feet of the messenger (angel) who showed them to me, to worship him. 9 But he said to me, Refrain! [You must not do that!] I am [only] a fellow servant along with yourself and with your brethren the prophets and with those who are mindful of and practice [the truths contained in] the messages of this book. Worship God! 10 And he [further] told me, Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book and make no secret of them, for the time when things are brought to a crisis and the period of their fulfillment is near. 11 He who is unrighteous (unjust, wicked), let him be unrighteous still; and he who is filthy (vile, impure), let him be filthy still; and he who is righteous (just, upright, in right standing with God), let him do right still; and he who is holy, let him be holy still. 12 Behold, I am coming soon, and I shall bring My wages and rewards with Me, to repay and render to each one just what his own actions and his own work merit. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last (the Before all and the End of all). 14 Blessed (happy and to be envied) are those who cleanse their garments, that they may have the authority and right to [approach] the tree of life and to enter through the gates into the city. 15 [But] without are the dogs and those who practice sorceries (magic arts) and impurity [the lewd, adulterers] and the murderers and idolaters and everyone who loves and deals in falsehood (untruth, error, deception, cheating). 16 I, Jesus, have sent My messenger (angel) to you to witness and to give you assurance of these things for the churches (assemblies). I am the Root (the Source) and the Offspring of David, the radiant and brilliant Morning Star. 17 The [Holy] Spirit and the bride (the church, the true Christians) say, Come! And let him who is listening say, Come! And let everyone come who is thirsty [who is painfully conscious of his need of those things by which the soul is refreshed, supported, and strengthened]; and whoever [earnestly] desires to do it, let him come, take, appropriate, and drink the water of Life without cost. 18 I [personally solemnly] warn everyone who listens to the statements of the prophecy [the predictions and the consolations and admonitions pertaining to them] in this book: If anyone shall add anything to them, God will add and lay upon him the plagues (the afflictions and the calamities) that are recorded and described in this book.

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19 And if anyone cancels or takes away from the statements of the book of this prophecy [these predictions relating to Christ's kingdom and its speedy triumph, together with the consolations and admonitions or warnings pertaining to them], God will cancel and take away from him his share in the tree of life and in the city of holiness (purity and hallowedness), which are described and promised in this book. 20 He Who gives this warning and affirms and testifies to these things says, Yes (it is true). [Surely] I am coming quickly (swiftly, speedily). Amen (so let it be)! Yes, come, Lord Jesus! 21 The grace (blessing and favor) of the Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) be with all the saints (God's holy people, those set apart for God, to be, as it were, exclusively His). Amen (so let it be)!

Revelation 22. Final Words: The Tree of Life, Revelation 22:1–5:…The Garden of Eden is restored in the midst of the city of gold. Paradise and immortality. After Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, God posted an angel at the Tree of Life to prevent them from eating of its fruit and consequently be condemned to live eternally in their sinful state. Hallelujah! A new era has arrived, and God's redeemed people can eat all they want from the Tree of Life. The tree will promote our eternal health and well-being. What will we do in heaven? Sing? Most assuredly. Would it be heaven without music? But more. There will, no doubt, be every opportunity to develop our unsatisfied aspirations of earth. Life, growing, advancing, ever onward, ever upward, taking our place in God's administration of the universe, incorruptible bodies, in incorruptible surroundings.

The Importance of the Book, Revelation 21:6–16;…At the end of the book is a reaffirmation that it is the Word of God ( 1:2 ). The book began by pronouncing blessing on those who read and keep its words ( 1:3 ), and so it closes (21:7). Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book ( v. 10 ) is a grave warning not to neglect it, but to study it. Daniel was told to seal up his prophecy "until the time of the end" ( Daniel 12:4 ); the end has now come. Let him who does wrong continue to do wrong; … let him who is holy continue to be holy ( Revelation 22:11 ) is a solemn resignation of the lost to their fate, and of the saved to theirs. In this world, character may become better or worse while the era of grace lasts. But the time comes when it is fixed for eternity. Eternal punishment and eternal life are not arbitrary decrees of God but an inevitable result, as the fruit comes from the bud. The punishment of sin is sin. The reward of holiness is holiness. Notice again ( vv. 14–15 ) the absolute separation of the tares and wheat. Over and over and over it is stated that there are only two classes of people and only two destinies. "I am the Root and the Offspring of David and the bright Morning Star" ( v. 16 ; see Numbers 24:17 ). Jesus says, "I am the One toward whom all prophecy pointed. There is no other."

The Final Invitation, Revelation 22:17;…Jesus had just said, "I am coming soon!" ( v. 12 ). The Spirit, the bride, and whoever hears, join in the chorus and prayer, "Come." Jesus answers, "Yes, I am coming soon" ( v. 20 ). It is His last recorded word, the parting message to His waiting bride as He passes out of sight. The passage contains an invitation to sinners to come to Him, that they may be ready when He comes. As a result, some will ask Christ to save them and others will harden their hearts further. It is for each individual to decide—choose life or choose death. This decision has eternal consequences. If you have not accepted Christ as your Savior yet—don't delay. Ask Jesus to be your Lord and Savior and receive His free gift of eternal life! ( 2 Corinthians 5:17 ; 6:2 ; John 14:6 ; Romans 5:8 ; Mark 1:15 ; see Prayers for a simple prayer of salvation).

A Final Warning Against the Mutilation of God's Word, Revelation 22:18–19;…Rationalistic critics do not like this passage and would limit its meaning to this one book, because it condemns them for assuming to themselves the liberty to eliminate whatever portions of Scripture they do not like. This warning is also found in Deuteronomy 4:2 and 12:32 . Here it does refer particularly to Revelation, but it is also a serious warning against treating lightly any part of God's Word. (Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; 2000; Zondervan; Bible History and Commentaries; page 966-969)

Treasury - Rev 22:12:…(Amplified Bible)…I come…Rev 22:7 — And behold, I am coming speedily. Blessed (happy and to be envied) is he who observes and lays to heart and keeps the truths of the prophecy (the predictions, consolations, and warnings) contained in this [little] book. Zep 1:14 — The great day of the Lord is near—near and hastening fast. Hark! the voice of the day of the Lord! The mighty man [unable to fight or to flee] will cry then bitterly.

and my…Rev 11:18 — And the heathen (the nations) raged, but Your wrath (retribution, indignation) came, the time when the dead will be judged and Your servants the prophets and saints rewarded—and those who revere (fear) Your name, both low and high and small and great—and [the time] for destroying the corrupters of the earth. Isa 3:10 — Say to the righteous that it shall be well with them, for they shall eat the fruit of their deeds. Isa 3:11 — Woe to the wicked! It shall be ill with them, for what their hands have done shall be done to them. Isa 40:10 — Behold, the Lord God will come with might, and His arm will rule for Him. Behold, His reward is with Him, and His recompense before Him. Isa 62:11 — Behold, the Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the Daughter of Zion, Behold, your salvation comes [in the person of the Lord]; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work and recompense before Him. 1Co 3:8 — He who plants and he who waters are equal (one in aim, of the same importance and esteem), yet each shall receive his own reward (wages), according to his own labor. 1Co 3:14 — If the work which any person has built on this Foundation [any product of his efforts whatever] survives [this test], he will get his reward. 1Co 9:17 — For if I do this work of my own free will, then I have my pay (my reward); but if it is not my own will, but is done reluctantly and under compulsion, I am [still] entrusted with a [sacred] trusteeship and commission. 1Co 9:18 — What then is the [actual] reward that I get? Just this: that in my preaching the good news (the Gospel), I may offer it [absolutely] free of expense [to anybody], not taking advantage of my rights and privileges [as a preacher] of the Gospel constraint for every soul of man who [habitually] does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek (Gentile).

to give...Rev 20:12 — I [also] saw the dead, great and small; they stood before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is [the Book] of Life. And the dead were judged (sentenced) by what they had done [their whole way of feeling and acting, their aims and endeavors] in accordance with what was recorded in the books. Mt 16:27 — For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory (majesty, splendor) of His Father with His angels, and then He will render account and reward every man in accordance with what he has done. Ro 2:6-11 — For He will render to every man according to his works [justly, as his deeds deserve]: 7 To those who by patient persistence in well-doing [springing from piety] seek [unseen but sure] glory and honor and [the eternal blessedness of] immortality, He will give eternal life. 8 But for those who are self-seeking and self-willed and disobedient to the Truth but responsive to wickedness, there will be indignation and wrath. 9 [And] there will be tribulation and anguish and calamity and constraint for every soul of man who [habitually] does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek (Gentile). 10 But glory and honor and [heart] peace shall be awarded to everyone who [habitually] does good, the Jew first and also the Greek (Gentile). 11 For God shows no partiality [undue favor or unfairness; with Him one man is not different from another]. Ro 14:12 — And so each of us shall give an account of himself [give an answer in reference to judgment] to God.

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The Soon Return of Christ; V13 Jesus is speaking in this verse. The attributes of God are His, too. V19 Any man who adds to or subtracts from this book will be plagued and will lose his place in heaven. (New Testament Study Guide; The Word For The Day; Chuck Smith; 2005; commentaries; pages 201-202)

#### Study Questions For Revelation:

1. In Revelation 1:19 we see the key to understanding the outline of the book. What are the three things John is to write about, and what chapters are they found?  
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2. What are the three different sets of seven judgments unleashed upon the earth found in Revelation chapters 6,8,9, 11, and 16?  
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3. After the Lord returns and is victorious over the beast and his followers, what does Revelation 20:6 say the Church will be doing?  
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4. What is the ultimate fate of Satan as stated in Revelation 20:10?  
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5. Describe from Revelation 21:1-4 what every Christian is looking forward to and what God has in store for us.  
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(Word 9 Bible Software: Bible Software, multiple translations, dictionary, atlas, sermons of the past saints, concordance, 2005)  
(The Everyday Life Bible; Amplified, 2005, Joyce Meyers, Scripture, Commentaries, pages 2148-2150)