## EYE WITNESSES OF THE END TIMES—14 The Apostle John

## Jesus as the LIGHT in the midst of His GLORY" "A Brand New World"

Revelation 21:1-8

Introduction:		 	

#### Three heavens:

- 1. First, there is the Telestial or Atmospheric Heaven—(Genesis 6:7; Isaiah 55:9-11; James 5:18). This is the home of the <u>SPARROWS!</u>
- 2. Second, there is the Celestial heaven (Deuteronomy 4:19; Matthew 24:29). This is the home of the <u>STARS!</u>
- 3. Thirdly, there is the Sanctified Heaven—The Third Heaven—The Abode of God (Acts 1:8-11; 2 Corinthians 12:2). This is the home of the SAINTS!

Now look at the first 8 verses of this chapter:

- I. FIRST, NOTICE A <u>BRAND</u> NEW CREATION (Revelation 21:1).
- A. First, note how it will be rarely <u>distinctive</u> (21:1a).

- 1. First, we see a world in the past, and it *perished* (2 Peter 3:6).
- 2. Then we see a world at present and how it will be *purged* (2 Peter 3:7).
- 3. And, we see a world that is prophetic, a world that is *promised* (2 Peter 3:14).
- B. Secondly, see how this present world will radically <u>disappear</u> (21:1b). "... pass away."
- C. Thirdly, note how the brand new world will be radiantly *different* (21:1c).
- II. SECONDLY, NOTE HOW WE WILL HAVE A <u>BRIGHT</u> NEW CAPITAL (Revelation 21:2).
- A. First, it is described as *blameless* (21:2a).
- B. Secondly, it is displayed as *brilliant* (21:2c).

# III. THIRDLY, CONSIDER HOW WE HAVE A <u>BLESSED</u> NEW COMMUNITY (21:3-4).

- A. First, notice heaven's primary relationship, the *presence* of God (21:3).
  - 1. First, His presence will *produce* the greatest *miracle* of this new universe.

2. Secondly, His presence will <i>provide</i> the greatest treasure ever.
B. Secondly, consider heaven's reversal, the of grief.
IV. THIRDLY, VISUALIZE HOW WE WILL WITH A NEW CONSTITUTION (Revelation 21:5-8).
A. First, it will be a place to live (21:5-6a).
1. First, it will be splendid because of is there.
2. Secondly, it will be splendid because of is there.
B. Secondly, it will be a place to live (21:6b).
C. Thirdly, it will be a place to live (21:8)

### CONCLUSION.