

Genesis tells how God created the heavens and
the earth

Revelation tells us about the new heaven and
the new earth

Genesis tells us of the sun moon and stars

Revelation tells us the city has no need of sun
moon or stars

Genesis describes a Paradise lost

Revelation describes a Paradise regained.

Genesis describes the cunning and power of
the devil

Revelation tells us that Satan is at last
overcome.

Genesis shows man hiding from God due to
his sin

Revelation shows God and man together as
man has been redeemed!

Genesis shows us the tree of life taken from
man

Revelation shows us the tree of life restored to
man

The theme of the book
Satan although at times seemingly victorious
is overcome!!

Rev 17:14 "These will wage war against the
Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them,
because He is Lord of lords and King of kings,
and those who are with Him are the called and
chosen and faithful."

Rev 21:1-4 Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. (2) I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. (3) And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. (4) 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Is this the church now or is it the church
victorious?

This is the church victorious! Forever and ever!

Dan 2:44 "In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and *that* kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.

first heaven and earth went away

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

2Pe 3:13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

The ancient promise of the Bible

-- be their God 16 times

-- Lord thy God 324 times

New Jerusalem vs. earthly Jerusalem

Holy -- separated from sin, thoroughly
consecrated to God

That which is holy comes from above

Rev 3:12 'He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name.

There is an eternal fellowship between God and his
people

1Jo 1:5 This is the message we have heard from
Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in
Him there is no darkness at all. (6) If we say that
we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the
darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; (7)
but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the
Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the
blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

God makes things new

Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

(Rom 6:3-4)

*Rev 21:5-6 He who was seated on the throne said,
"I am making everything new!" Then he said,
"Write this down, for these words are trustworthy
and true." (6) He said to me: "It is done. I am the
Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.
To the thirsty I will give water without cost from
the spring of the water of life.*

Mat 5:6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

For after all it is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, (2Th 1:6-9)

Rev 21:7-8 Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children. (8) But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars – they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

2Th 1:5 This is a plain indication of God's righteous judgment so that you will be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which indeed you are suffering. (6) For after all it is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, (7) and to give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, (8) dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. (9) These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,

Rev 21:9 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb." (10) And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

Isa 54:5 "For your husband is your Maker,
Whose name is the LORD of hosts; And your
Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, Who is
called the God of all the earth.

2Co 11:2 For I am jealous for you with a
godly jealousy; for I betrothed you to one
husband, so that to Christ I might present you
as a pure virgin.

Rev 19:7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready." 8 It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

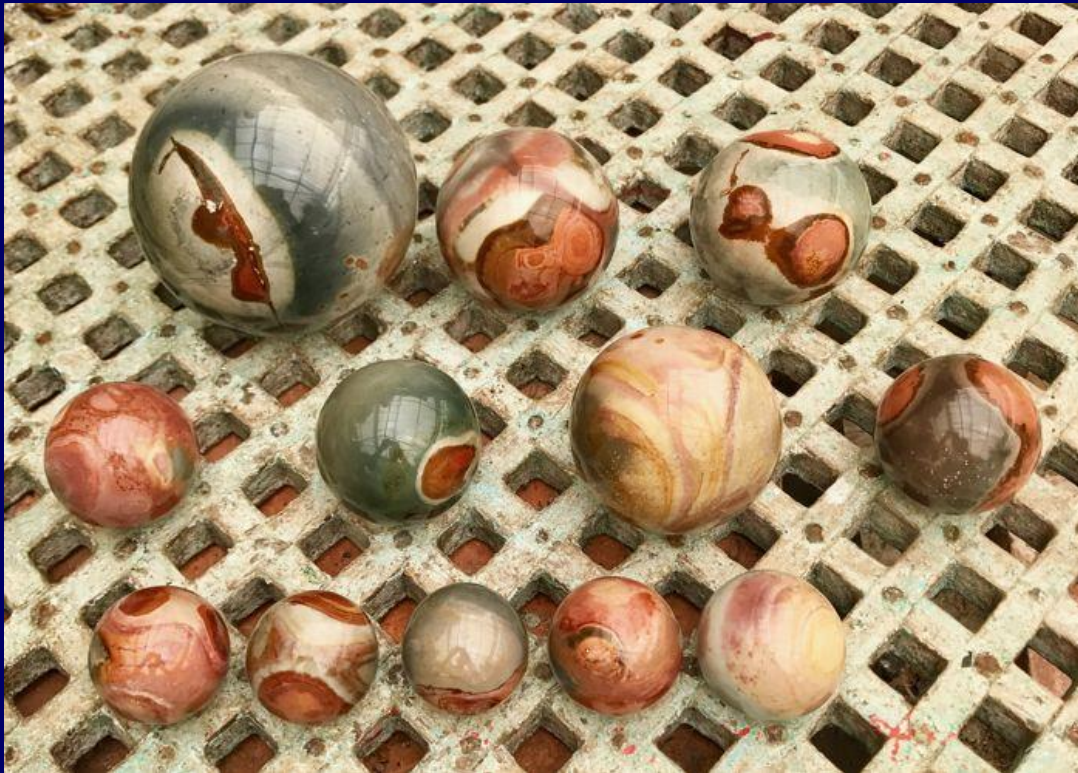
church=bride=wife of lamb

Rev 21:11 having the glory of God. Her brilliance was like a very costly stone, as a stone of crystal-clear jasper. (12) It had a great and high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names were written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel.

crystal-clear jasper perhaps diamond
high wall indicates security to keep out sin

Rev 21: (13) There were three gates on the east and three gates on the north and three gates on the south and three gates on the west. (14) And the wall of the city had twelve foundation stones, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. (15) The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod to measure the city, and its gates and its wall. (16) The city is laid out as a square, and its length is as great as the width; and he measured the city with the rod, fifteen hundred miles; its length and width and height are equal.

Rev 21:17 And he measured its wall, seventy-two yards, according to human measurements, which are also angelic measurements. (18) The material of the wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.



Rev 21.19 The foundation stones of the city wall were adorned with every kind of precious stone.

The first foundation stone was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; (20) the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, jacinth; the twelfth, amethyst.



Rev 21: (21) And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was a single pearl.

And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. (22) I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

A street of pure gold, as the gospel – purity and truth.



*Rev 21.23 And the city has no need of the sun
or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of
God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb.
(24) The nations will walk by its light, and the
kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.*

lots of gates to allow ready entrance

Joh 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 eternal life.

Rev 21: (25) In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed; (26) and they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it; (27) and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Gal 3:13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree."

Will you be in that city?

Act 22:16 And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name.'