



# GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

## SUNDAY NIGHT SERIES

### ***LESSON EIGHTEEN: Unveiling the Home of the Redeemed (21:1-22:5)***

Sunday Evening Message on May 8, 2016 (by Ray Reynolds)

Introduction: The book of Revelation was written to the seven churches of Asia Minor for immediate application. We have reached the end of the prophetic book where Heaven opens up and everything comes full circle. Keep the final picture in mind. What do we know about Heaven?

- 1) Death will not exist in Heaven (*Isaiah 25:8*)
- 2) Only righteous people can enter Heaven (*Matthew 5:17-20*)
- 3) Few people will enter heaven (*Matthew 7:13-14*)
- 4) Jesus is preparing heaven for His followers (*John 14:2-3*)
- 5) Jesus is the only One who can offer us entrance into Heaven (*John 14:6-7*)
- 6) Our lives will not be complete until we enter Heaven (*II Corinthians 5:2*)
- 7) Heaven is much better than earth (*Philippians 1:23*)
- 8) Christians should look forward to Heaven (*Colossians 3:1-5*)
- 9) Jesus will return from Heaven to gather the saints (*I Thessalonians 4:16-17*)
- 10) Jesus is working in Heaven there as our mediator (*I Timothy 2:5*)
- 11) Jesus is working in Heaven as our High Priest (*Hebrews 7:25*)
- 12) Heaven is the home of redeemed (*II Peter 3:13*)

What can we learn from the end of this book? What does Jesus want us to see? Let's study together...

#### Discussion:

#### ***I. The New Heaven & The New Earth (21:1-8)***

What can we expect in the new heaven and new earth?

#### ***II. The New Jerusalem (21:9-27)***

How is the new Jerusalem described by John?

#### ***III. The New Life (22:1-5)***

What does it mean to have eternal life?

Conclusion: In our next lesson together we will consider the final words of this great book. Remember the three facts Revelation: 1) God wins. 2) Choose Your Side. 3) Don't Be Foolish. These words undoubtedly encouraged the seven churches of Asia Minor and have encouraged Christians for centuries. What will you do with it? Are you ready to meet God? Are you ready for Jesus to come again?