

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS FOR AUGUST 17, 2014

Sermon Series: The Lion, The Lamb, Our Savior

Sermon: "The New Jerusalem"

Scripture: Revelation 21:9-27

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1. Read Ezekiel 40-48 and find all the points of continuity with the New Jerusalem in Revelation 21. What do these connections imply about the New Jerusalem? What aspects of the New Jerusalem are different than Ezekiel's vision? How can these be explained as a result of the coming of Christ?
2. Read Isaiah 60 and find all the points of continuity the New Jerusalem in Revelation 21. How does this background in Isaiah expand your vision of God's plan for the future of the earth and human cultural labors and achievements?
3. Imagine living in a civilization composed of everything beautiful, honorable, and glorious and no evil at all. What does it look like? What would it feel like? How would human beings relate to each other? How could we seek to make our city a bit more like the New Jerusalem wherever God has placed us?]
4. How does Revelation 21 help us understand the scope of the gospel (the good news) of Jesus Christ? How would you describe the good news of Jesus to someone else in light of this text?