

One Last Look -Revelation 22

God's Word is Eternal and True

A. The Prophecy of the City Continued (22:1-9)

1. The Center of the City (22:1-3)

a. The River of the Life (22:1)

1). Clear as crystal

2). From the throne of God and of Christ

b. The Tree of Life (22:2)

Healing abundant

c. The Throne of God (22:3)

No more curse

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A. The Prophecy of the City Continued (22:1-9)

2. The Communion in the City (22:4-5)

The blessedness of fellowship

a. Only in the name of Jesus

b. Only in the light of Jesus

c. Only in the rule of Jesus

3. The Certainty in the City (22:6-7)

a. Of God's sayings

b. Of God's promises

c. Of God's blessings

4. The Consequence of the City (22:8-9)

Worship

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B. The Command to Proclaim the Prophecy of the Book (22:10-12)

- 1. Don't hide the message**
- 2. The finality of our choice to receive or reject Christ**
- 3. The time is at hand - Rewards given to the faithful**

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C. The Authority of the Prophecy (22:13-16)

Christ Himself

1. Three pairs of names (22:13)

- a. Alpha and Omega**
- b. Beginning and end**
- c. First and last**

One message - Christ is all in all

2. The eternal consequences of our choice to receive or reject Christ (22:14-15)

3. Three proofs (22:16)

- a. His angel**
- b. His lineage**
- c. His glory**

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D. An Invitation To God (22:17)

- 1. A threefold invitation**
- 2. A universal invitation**

Hebrews 2:3

E. Three Warnings From God (22:18-20)

- 1. Don't add to My Word**
- 2. Don't take away from My Word**
- 3. Be ready, I am coming back**

“Surely, I come quickly”

F. The Last Thought (22:21)

**In The End,
It Is Only About
God's Grace**

Why Am I Hurting So Much?

2 Corinthians 1:1-11

God allows suffering for good

I. Background

MAP OF ACHAIA



II. Greetings from Paul (1:1-2)

2 Corinthians 1:1-2

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:

2 Grace be to you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

A. He responded to God's will

B. He related to fellow believers

C. He relished grace and peace for others

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

A. The God of All Comfort (1:3)

2 Corinthians 1:3

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

There is no comfort without God

Romans 15:5

Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

1. Opportunities to help others (1:4)

2 Corinthians 1:4

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

2. Consolation from Christ (1:5)

2 Corinthians 1:5

For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

1 Peter 4:13

But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

More suffering results in more consolation

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

3. Benefit for the Corinthians (1:6-7)

2 Corinthians 1:6-7

6 And whether **we be afflicted**, it is **for your consolation and salvation**, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or **whether we be comforted**, it is **for your consolation and salvation**.

7 And our hope of you is stedfast, **knowing**, that as **ye are partakers of the sufferings**, so shall ye be **also of the consolation**.

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

4. Reliance on God (1:8-10)

2 Corinthians 1:8-10

8 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

4. Reliance on God (1:8-10)

2 Corinthians 1:8-10

9 But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead:

10 Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver us;

III. Comfort in Suffering (1:3-11)

B. The Reasons for Suffering (1:4-11) - continued

5. Prayer of Thanksgiving (1:11)

2 Corinthians 1:11

Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.

IV. Conclusion

Fording Life's Trials

A. Count Your Blessings

Ephesians 5:20

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

B. Cast Your Care on God

1 Peter 5:7

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

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C. Put Your Confidence in God

Isaiah 30:15

For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not.

1 Peter 4:19

Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

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D. Draw Comfort from God and His People

Isaiah 40:1

**Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your
God.**

