The New Jerusalem

A Devotional

<u>II PETER 3:1-14</u>

1. This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

2. That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

3. *Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,*

4. And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

5. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

6. Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, *perished*:

7. But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

8. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

9. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

10. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall <u>pass</u> <u>away</u> with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

12. Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13. Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14. Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

GENESIS 9:11

11. And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to <u>destroy</u> the earth.

THE FUTURE HOME [64-0802]

These processes make us clean, a temple for His dwelling place: justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost with Fire. That does the cleansing of (our) this temple.

So, as old world frame did not destroy, by the waters when it was washed off; the frame of the planet, the old frame, the... all the dirt, all the stuff that God put on the earth, was not destroyed when the first world was destroyed. And the Bible said it was *"destroyed,"* but it never destroyed the frame. It just destroyed the sin and sinners that was on it. The framework remained.

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Now, so the old world framework was not destroyed by the water. The world was only washed off. That got its baptism. It was baptized.

So will the framework remain, though it be burnt by Fire. It don't destroy the earth, see, it just destroys the sin that's on it.

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Notice the antediluvian world. He, after it had repented, by through the Bride of that day, Noah, He give it a water baptism, covered it over with water. Then, justification, showing that He's on His road to call this fallen world, from Eden, back to its restoration again. Then Christ came and shed His Blood upon it, cleansing it and claiming it.

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While it's going through the Millennium, it's going through its sanctifying process, but still must be burned. See? Which, the Blood redeemed the people, it shows this memorial that it's... the price is paid, that thousand years. But then it has to be cleansed by Fire; just like you were...

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He uses His same method. He baptized it in water, after the antediluvian destruction. Shed His Blood upon it, to sanctify it and claim it. It's His.

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Notice, no graves, no teardrops, never, no more bloodshed. She'll never be moistened by a teardrop or a blood. No. Be no more wars. No. No clouds of winter. No cold snow upon the breast of her; won't lay there no more on it. The hot sun will not, never burn its grass. Hallelujah! Even the desert shall bring forth roses.

REVELATION 21:1-5

1. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was <u>no more sea</u>.

2. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
5. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

REVELATION 21:9-10

9. And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

10. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

REVELATION 21:22-27

22. And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.23. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

24. And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

25. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

26. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

27. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [59-1223]

...I can prove that there is degrees in heaven, that they'll not all be on the same equal, but you'll have equal Eternal Life. But the Bible said that the kings of the earth bring their honor and glory (Revelations 22)--bring their honor and glory into the city. That proves that there'll be kings in the new earth, kings and rulers.

THE SIXTH SEAL [63-0323]

The twelve tribes is a nation, but the Bride is in the palace. She's a Queen now. She's married. And all of the earth shall come into this city, Jerusalem, and shall bring the glory of it in there. And the gates will not be shut by--by--by night 'cause there won't be any night. See? The gates will always be open; and the kings of the earth (Revelations 22) bring their honor and glory into this city, but the Bride is in there with the Lamb.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT4 [64-0830E]

Now, "Who will populate the earth outside of the city?"--outside. It will be the redeemed that will populate the earth outside the city, but they will not be the elected and called Bride. The Bride will live inside the Kingdom with the King. On the outside will be the kings of the earth that labor and bring their toils--bring their--not toil, but bring their fruits into the city.