

Revelations in Revelation – 21

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Well God willing I believe if the Lord tarry we'll have tonight, and one more study in the Revelations in Revelation, praise God. So, last week we partook in such a wonderful wonderful moment. A moment by the grace of God that'll never end the descending, praise God of the wife of the Lamb of God. Isn't that marvelous there in Revelation Twenty-one? And you can go ahead and go there? And I thank the Lord that I used the word that we partake in this by faith. I thank the Lord I'm understanding how the Lord truly deals with our hearts. I thank God as the Lord continues to bring faith in my life. He allowed me in faith to truly walk in those moments through the Old Testament. I'm confident I walked on that dry ground across the Red Sea.

I saw as the prophet said oh let his eyes see what mine see. I looked up in the hills and I saw the armies of heaven. I'm not just saying that. You know what I'm saying because that's the faith of the Son of God, and that's our life, amen? And think of that, the life that I now live, I live by the faith of the Son of God. And I thank the Lord that the same faith that Jesus displayed to us is He lived as man. That faith, that absolute assurance of the Father. I know that is the faith that lives in my life, and thanking God just to feed that with the word of God. To feed that with the word of God strengthens that and in absolute confidence in knowing the love of God. See, you think about how Jesus knew, and knows how the Father loves Him. Oh, I mean come on right? So, in that Jesus told us, Father, You loved Me as I loved them, and You love them as You love Me, and they would love one another; you understand. It's just

Now, so what are we going to believe? And I'm thankful the Lord's beginning to really teach me; son, quit saying you can't; stop it, because I can. I can, and by the grace of God I believe that as we just trust the Lord, and quit looking at yourself, and quit looking at our insufficiencies, and the things I so want to change, and look to Him and understand yes, you know what Lord, You can will, and do of Your good pleasure in me. Praise the Lord? So, we partook in this. I thank the Lord that we saw that wonderful glory of God descend, and her light; her light was as the light of jasper. And by the grace of God, we rejoice because this is the company of the living ones. Amen? It is, this is the company of the living ones, and I want to make it known that we understand that this is the church, and all believers are seen in this glory of the descending of holy Jerusalem, but yet the glory of it all is her, and we'll talk about that here in just a second. We thank the Lord that she is arrayed in the righteousness of saints; all of those precious stones of the city.

But praise God, these are the ones that are lively, and alive right now. That by the grace of God are changing from glory to glory into His very image. Thanking the Lord that these are the ones that believe Him that we would be completely like Him because that's what grace can do. Ones that are as the word of God says grown to the measure, and the stature, and the fulness of Jesus Christ. I love how the Lord says these things that we would be filled with a little bit of the

fullness of God? A lot of the fullness of God? That we would be filled with all the fullness of God. And that's incredible, but that's God, and God is this One praise the Lord that loves us so that He said I gave you My Son, how could I not also not freely give us all things?

You think of these all's that the word of God speaks, and the word of God speaks especially through the Apostle Paul, and we've studied those, Paul's all's. It's not part, some, or a bit, it's all and I'm thankful to God, I believe it's finally not truly getting our attention, but grabbing our hearts and saying yes Lord, that's mine; it is mine, I have been blessed, not getting blessed, or thinking about being blessed, or whatever. Ye have been blessed with all spiritual blessing in the heavens in Christ. So, we thank the Lord that He has freely given us all things. So, we see that this is the one that is to the measure, stature, and fullness of Him, and so glorified together with Him completely that they share everything jointly in that throne together. They'll share everything jointly in being glorified together.

There will be nothing that the Lord isn't glorified in or reigns in that she will not share and participate with Him equally; equally to the same extent as her husband. And I thank the Lord, go look that up if you want to check it out again. When it says glorified together in the Greek that translates "exalted to the same glory." That's grace, that's grace, and everything that flows from it. And how marvelous this is.

Now she, we thank the lord has transformed into every, every detail like Him so much so that John; how many times now, and we're going to read it even one more time in case we forget. John finds himself being led around one of those bridal saints, or a company of them, I don't know exactly how it is, but he finds himself bowing down and worshiping them over and over because he thinks this has got to be Jesus. Now I want you to step back and think about that again. Why in the world would the Lord not just put that in one, but multiple times for us to read, and to know, and to understand? There's only one answer, she's like me; she's just like me. I hope every hair on your body because mine's about to come off right now thinking about Martha; love, and grace, and what we are about to step into.

I was thankful to receive that call from my brother today, he was just overwhelmed. Actually, I called him to ask him about something, and all he wanted to talk about; this glory brother, and I said hallelujah Jesus. I know where this is going, praise God. That's the conversation we always seem to be having, amen? Everything else of this life just immediately is gone. All the cares, all the things we thought were so vitally important, whether it's our job, our home, our kids; it doesn't even exist in that in its longest; it's done. So, we thank the Lord that this is what Christ does, and so brothers and sisters, this is so important, and it's vital that we have this faith to believe this for us right now. This faith, that it's yours; that it is yours. It's not something you're observing any longer, this is something that you enjoy fellowshiping with your bridegroom right now about and thanking him, and appreciating and loving him, and allowing the Holy Ghost through us to minister even those things that only the Father knows.

Isn't that wonderful what the Holy Ghost does in our spirit language, and we thank God for this don't we? But we believe His love is that incredible, and once again that love that gave that has given us everything of His. But once again this isn't something to believe when we get there, this is something that we have and we believe in the full assurance of faith right now. So, in everything, God help us tonight to go on even more faith praise, His name.

Let's go ahead and read from twenty-One verse nine, and it says there in verse nine about down almost at the end, he says to John; that wonderful angel, that wonderful bridal saint. Come hither John, I will show ye the bride, the lamb's wife, and he carried me away in the spirit. And once again, how wonderful. See, the only way you're ever going to have a vision of this is in the Spirit; You need to be filled with the Holy Spirit, that's just the beginning of it, and then praise God you need to get into a place where they're going to teach you, and to give you, and minister to you not just once, but over and over given the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. Amen?

So, this is what this entails. But he was led away in the spirit to the great and high mountain, and he showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem descending out of heaven from God. See, that's just gorgeous, and we were rejoicing in how sweetly she's like Him. She ascended up, and now she's descending down. That sounds a lot like Jesus you know, praise God, and that's what grace does. See, that grace descends it so heavy, heaven can't even contain it; it just whooss. Love it. So, it says that this city, this holy Jerusalem, the Lamb's wife, what does she have? She has the glory of God; she's got Him. Christ in you, the hope of glory. This is it; this is it. This is why our life here is that we change from glory to glory into His image. But that doesn't just happen, that's as we look into that glass darkly. That's as we look into Him, and just not Him, but that glass darkly speaks of mirror, and it speaks of a mirror, and if I would understand what a mirror is, well that's a reflection. I would be looking at myself, but that's not really not myself when I look into that glass darkly of Him, that It must be Christ in me.

The purpose, the good pleasure of His will, this life that lives in me, and what He wants that life to be, what He wants that life to grow up into, what He wants to share with that life, what He has in His absolute good pleasures desire of ecstasy for forever with that light. Praise the Lord. So, having the glory of God is this precious wife, and her light. So, she has glory and light, praise be to God it's got to be Jesus that does this, because this is describing Him; He's all glory, and He's all light. That's Him, but she has it because she has all of Him. Praise the Lord, and once again her light was like unto not just unto any light, but unto that jasper stone; His light. It's just like her light is not the leukos white, it's the lampros white which only the bride, and the bridegroom Jesus; they're the only ones that are reigning in the lampros white.

There's great details all throughout the word of God, and the word of God would not have such details, and to make such pointed note of it if it didn't have the greatest of meaning. I think we're here tonight because the word of God has the greatest meaning to us. Amen. I think we all agree, this is the divine word of God, and I thank the Lord we're here to know Him, and not in a cerebral sense to you know that I'm getting a diploma or something; we love Him. I mean this is

a love thing, we're drawn in here to know Him; to know Him. And I love knowing Him with you because we're one, and that's the gorgeous beauty of like precious faith saints, it's so supernatural, and we know this that we're drawn into our seated in the heavens together in Christ. And oh, what a seat by the grace of God He is having us to take by taking this gospel. A seat with Him in the heavens.

And there it is for all of God's children, that's what He intends for them, and they are seated there. But once again where do we really believe we're seated with Him? Are we seated before the throne looking up at the throne, or are we seated in the throne? It's amazing, He says you're seated together with Me in the heavens in Christ. It's a shame, why wouldn't we believe Him right from the get-go what He wants for us. As He said, born of God, lord of a little, lord of some; Lord of all. Amen honey, and that's just keep taking it, and take it quickly. It isn't a battle on longevity, it's about now. I've seen ones in this for a long time, and as the Apostle Paul said, you ran well; I don't want that ever be said of any of us by the grace of God; we run now. I'm so thankful we ran then, but it's running now. And by the grace of God, it's finishing with a full joy now. So, we thank the Lord.

So, her life is like that precious jasper stone, so we collectively say hallelujah, and by faith this is us who believe. Amen? This is us; we're reading of our life. We're reading of our time with Him. I thank God as He tells us about all of these things that we will share with Him, and we thank the Lord, because after this what follows brothers and sisters is very, very precious. All the verses that follow this begin to tells us about the construction of the city; the stones that are in the city, all the beautiful walls of the city, the gates of the city. And I encourage you, go back and I've been hearing from many; go back and listen to the last revelation study that we had; it's all online. You can listen to those, and those are line upon line study on this. The Lord has been encouraging as we've been going along now. All these things over the years that we've been hearing, and receiving the Lord is saying okay now, the Spirit is going to continue to connect these things, and bringing these things together.

Oh my, how this joy, and rejoicing is building praise God, and we're understanding it's mine, mine, mine all is mine. So, this wonderful description from verse twelve all the way down through verse twenty-one, it tells us about this city. It tells about the city that is this wonderful glory about the glory that is within the bride. It says that she's clothed with the righteousness of saints, and this is the epitome of it that she is the focus of the city, and yet here is this beautiful building of the innumerable multitude, the hundred and forty-four thousand, you have the presence praise God of even of the full overcomers of the Old Testament. It's all there and we thank God of the witness; that great witness of the reigning that is in the midst of everything for this wonderful beauty to be held. Hallelujah.

Now, we look at this and we can say it's marvelous, we can say it's incredible, and once again she is the glory. She is that godly pearl in the midst of the city. She is the one that is all glorious within. You remember that reading from Psalm Forty-five last week? She's the one that's all glorious within. Go on back to Psalm Forty-five. This was so wonderful to hear, these are just

little tidbits that are all throughout the word of God, but this is so distinct in speaking of this, and again, just popping out in a psalm. In Psalm Forty-five Eleven it says so shall the king greatly desire her beauty. Isn't that something? For He is the Lord and worship thou Him.

Now, here we go, and it's so beautiful, and so glorious. It says and the daughter of Tyre *shall be there* with a gift, *even* the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor. Now listen to this; the king's daughter is all glorious within. There she is, she's all glorious within, and then listen to this. Her clothing is of wrought gold. Oh my, she shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework. Well, here she is. She's all glorious within, she's just surrounded in this gold, all of these stones, and precious things, and she's arrayed in that needlework. Praise the Lord. So, this is how we know we have been getting these wonderful hints, and these types and shadows of her all the way through the Old Testament as the Apostle Paul has been opened those things to us by the Spirit.

Now let's go back to Revelation again, and let's read all the way down to another such a highlight here verse twenty-two. And it says here, and I saw no temple therein. For the Lord God almighty, and the Lamb are the temple of it. Now this is glorious brothers and sisters because we've been reading a lot about this temple, and it's been very, very precious especially all throughout Revelation. Every time we've been hearing about the temple, about the temple, about the temple. We're going to talk about that once again here in just a moment. But I want you to see the Lord God Almighty. Do you know that the phrase Lord God Almighty does not come in the word of God until Revelation? The very first time it's ever mentioned is by the four living ones in the fourth chapter; they say Lord God Almighty. It's marvelous there.

Now, I want you to think about this. The Lord God Almighty, and the Lamb are the temple. Well, the Lord God Almighty, and the Lamb is one and the same. He's very God of very God, and He's very man of very man. I want you to think of our precious Lord, Jesus came to earth; there's the temple. It's Him, He's the temple; oh yes, He is. Matter of fact, turn on over to John Chapter Two, verse nineteen. What did Jesus tell them? It says there in two-nineteen Jesus answered, and said unto them, destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. And in verse twenty-one He said that He spake of the temple of His body. Jesus came and was made man, and He's here. All that wonderful power and presence of God; that ruling power is all right there. All right there.

All right there was all worship. Was there anything else to worship? Was it in heaven still; was the temple there, or was is it here? It's Him. Was there any reason even at that time to ever go back into the holy of holies, or was it all about Jesus? He's the temple. He's always been and that's Who this is. Now, He's the place to worship, He's the place of all power, and we thank the Lord as we see as He said "you tear this temple down, the Lord God MY Father will raise it up in three days." It's just so beautiful. Now going on with this, let's understand why as the Lord's going to minister unto us why there's no need for this temple anymore, because the Lord God Almighty, and the Lamb; this wonderful presence of Him, and all-full array of power. Okay?

Now in Revelation as we've done this study, we've seen very sweetly that it's always speaking in a very important, it's the place of the holy of holies. It always is bringing us back to that. The place where only the presence of God and the cherubim are throughout Revelation. It's the place praise God that it says about the church of Philadelphia. It will be made a pillar in the temple. There's all the seven churches, it's the one that specifically points out that their place and their reward is going to be that pillar if you will; the pillar upon a foundation, the pillar that is holding everything up. They work together, see? It's so gorgeous that the harmony of Christ and His bride and what again He has in that relationship with her. I was just going to tell you brothers and sisters; you can't understand that but you can believe it.

And that's everything with the Lord, you think you understand really something, and that in itself and no; just by faith I believe it Lord; I believe it Lord and that's how we take it. I's faith like a child. If I'm going to figure this thing out, I'm going to be left behind so fast it's not even going to be funny. Lord, You said it, I believe it; I'll take that, praise God it's mine. So, we see sweetly that this is that encouragement that we have that we've been seeing this; all the ruling and reigning has come out of the temple. Throughout all of Revelation, all of those messengers that are sent out, all of those plagues that are sent out, all of the vials that are sent out are all sent out from the temple. The only ones that are seen in that temple are the only ones that are ever talked about in the temple are the lord Jesus and the bride. That's it. The bride's seen in the four living ones, the bride's seen in as the company of the seven angels. That's it, it doesn't speak of the twenty-four elders in there, it doesn't speak of the innumerable multitude in there; it doesn't speak of the hundred and forty-four thousand. It's only that one that truly is at that moment ruling and reigning jointly together right from the get-go, right from that wonderful first trumpet rapture.

She's there in the midst of the throne with Him, and praise be to God, by faith she just begins to not wonder what's she's doing, she's just doing what He said and promised Lord, we're doing. Now if I got a body like unto His own glorious body in the measure, and the fullness, and the stature of Jesus, what in the world you think I'm going to need to think about? Nothing. What do you think I'm going to have, well Lord, I'm going to have to figure out; you know, You're going to have to teach me how . . . No, by the grace of God, BAM, it's done. It's just like being a child of God, it's so wonderful, you're born again, BAM, it's done. Hallelujah. I don't need to see well now, how do I see how to be in the family? You're born in the family; it's just done, and how was it done? By faith. How are all the promises of God inherited by anyone? By faith. That's it, you just believe, it's such a beautiful thing, and it's faith that it might be by grace. That's the only way you can figure it out, that's the understanding of everything. It's grace. It's so undeserved, it's so unmerited, it's so un-un-everything, but it's Him and this is how He works. And this is how He does it, and He tells us so sweetly, so perfectly I'll have mercy upon whom I'll have mercy; I'm God, what don't you get about that? I'm God, and I'm all knowing so I'm not going to waste time. I know who's going to receive My mercy, and I know who is going to get the boat loads of it, and here we are. Thanks be to God I want all the riches of His glory; don't you?

I want it all, so I thank the Lord, He says upon His vessels of His mercy He bestows the riches of His glory. I mean, He clothes you with that. This is what we're studying, this is what this

is, and I thank the Lord, I do not find that hard to understand because of one thing; one thing, by grace I believe in grace. I believe grace to perform this, I believe grace praise God that that grace is so mighty that it is true. That He will perform the good work which He's begun in me. What does the lily do to look so beautiful arrayed in something that's far beyond the Solomon? Does the lily toil? How many ways does the Lord have to tell us STOP. Because if you don't cease from your own work in this thing, you're going to mess it up; you're going to mess it up. I think of my life I thank God as a kid, I told you my brother Jimmy, he's the artist. He's amazing. You don't want my hands touching nothing. Duane'll testify to you, every time I try to do something, and I still try, and I'm sure it's because the Lord's trying to show me honey, you just can't do a thing, but I'll try. I always apologize to Polly I'm so sorry. It's true, she knows that and she smiles. She loves me

But as a kid in that art class a sweet wonderful teacher, and she wanted to do this pottery with us, and she brought out the wheel, and here were the lumps of clay, and got the oil and the water out, and man, she could put her hands on just a little lump and jooup. I mean, have you ever seen them do that so fast? I mean they're not even toiling with the thing. It's like she stuck her thumbs in there and just drew it up and here was this perfect vase; I mean perfect and it took literally seconds. Just jooup like that, and I'm telling you know I'd put my hand I'd do this and clay is flying, and it is, it's just on going everywhere. An that's about, the first time it's funny, the second time it's not as funny, third time you're getting mad; fourth and fifth time you're losing your mind, and then the sixth you'd say this is not for me. And then you know, you have someone gentle that's trying to put your hand on there, and then finally every time I touched it, it didn't matter what she was doing with my hand on there, it messed up. There was a wobbly vase; it was whatever it was. But, get your hands off it. Get your hands off it, leave me; his hands are all over you. That's the only One that molds you and makes you after His will. You can't do this. And the Apostle Paul's so sweet, he said only being found in His righteousness; you don't have any. You've got self-righteousness; that's not His righteousness, it's the most opposing thing there is. We do love to talk about Jesus don't we, and His wonderful grace? Praise His name.

So, as we see, there's no temple here, and we're so thankful that as we see it's gone, and so the Lord God Almighty, and the Lamb are the temple of it. The temple in Revelation again being the place of the holy of holies; we see that. It says that the ark was even located there if you'll remember Rev 11:19, it says that the ark was there in heaven; the ark was there. Isn't that something? If you're wondering where the ark is, well, I know where it is, it tells me right there in Rev 11:19. Quit trying to find it here, I'm just reading the word of God; what do you think, huh? So, you see what the lord is after here. He's showing us this is the most intimate place. We understand in the holy of holies in the tabernacle in the wilderness, we knew that's where the presence of God was, we saw that only the high priest went there once every year representing Jesus Christ Himself, and all that was ever back there was the presence of God and the cherubim. That's it, and the cherubim again representing the bridal company; how cool. So, it's always been back there since ages past. You know, the Lord has seen that in love with us in ages past, always the bride for the Lamb. Son, it's not good for man to live alone, You're going to have Your wife. Hallelujah, the very plan, the good pleasure of His will. All this coming forth, all of this seen here.

Now, so right away we know again the cherubim, the bride, the living ones, the seven angels as we've seen all throughout Revelation they reside there, but now it's gone, and it's because brothers and sisters the fullness and completeness is now revealed to all. The hidden mystery, the majesty of all of the full glory has been made known. She is no longer shut up and away because He now shares her in glory with all believers. The place with the Lord will be that vital as the ages roll forth.

Alright, let's go to verse twenty-three. With this, I'll tell you, you talk about a crowning of crowning. It says here, and the city; the city, this is speaking of New Jerusalem; holy Jerusalem. 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. She has become so like Him, that in every way she is as enabled as Him. We're going to go through this precious chapter twenty-two God willing next Wednesday, and there's nothing left to deny in that brothers and sisters. It's just there and by the grace of God may we pay it. She has a body like unto His own His own glorious body. Go over here and read Php 3:21. We have a little bit of time tonight. So, rap this up for camp. So, we love this, let's go back to twenty. For our conservation is in heaven; our citizenship, every thing's there, from whence we look for the Saviour, the lord Jesus Christ, and what's He going to do? Who shall change our vile body that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body. How glorious is His body? It's all complete beyond, and it's going to be light; that's the same. That's what this is speaking here.

Now listen to this though, according to the working whereby He is able. See, it's always Him. The working according to the working thereby, alright? He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself. So, listen to that, to subdue all things to Himself, He wills, and He subdues all the things to the bride. She is His fullness praise God, Christ in me, the hope of glory unto Himself. This is the fullness to His life; He's going to subdue all things to Himself. This is why she rules and reigns with Him, this is why she's glorified together with Him, this is why praise be to God we read there in Revelation it says and the glory of God did lighten it. The wondrous wonder together, all the light of the city, the glory of God did lighten it.

What did verse nineteen tell us clearly Who that glory is? Who's the glory in verse nineteen? Who has it, it's her. Where did the Lord say that the manifestation of the sons of God; where was that glory going to be revealed? Was it going to be revealed to them, was it going to be revealed around them; it was going to be revealed in them. The glory that shall be revealed in us this is it, this is it, this is the fullness of the full-grown sons, praise be to God, this is it, this is the evidence of the full growth. This is the manifestation of the sons of God that it speaks there in Romans Eight right after it says heirs of God. As children we're heirs of God, and then it goes on to say and joint heirs with Jesus Christ if so be we suffer together with Him, that we might also be glorified together with Him.

Right after that it tells us that yeah, we do have suffering, but they're not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us. And all of creation groans for the

manifestation of these sons, or huio sons; the full-grown sons, the Revelation, the unveiling; the apocalypse of these sons. This is it; this is it the full glory of it. Hallelujah. Praise be to God; I knew there was one out there. Now, this is what it is, and we thank the Lord that this is what it is, so again verse nineteen tells us clearly who that glory is; it's her. Where that glory is, it's in her, who has the glory of God, it's her the wife of the Lamb. And the Lamb is the light of it all.

So, the glory of the God did lighten it all, verse twenty-two. We know who the glory is, and the Lamb is the light thereof. He's everything even in her, she's all the glory, but it's all Him; all the glory in her is Him. Isn't that glorious? So, it's all Him, we're giving Him all the praise even though we got it all He gets all the praise. That's how it goes, that's why it's real, that's why it works, that's why it's perfect. Because we've transformed thanks be to God to Him in all things; even this, even glory and light, even the tree of life her fruit. We're going to get there next week. You might be there tonight. Aren't you thankful how the Lord has taken us? All these years hearing all these things, and I remember as the Lord really began to chase me, and I will say your pastor I can see faces. I'm sure they're in the car, he shouldn't say things like that. God help me if I didn't because this is what the bible said.

Are we not here to believe the truth? Amen. We get these preconceived ideas that somehow, well, this is enough; it's never enough. To Joshua was it ever enough? I think that old fellow said there's more land to walk through. Caleb was the guy that says it's all ours right now, go take it, who are these guys, that was always, that was the speak and that's why we're going to get to, the Spirit and the bride say come. Her speak is the Holy Ghost. That why we speak mysteries unto the Father. This isn't my speak, this isn't your speak, this is the Spirit speak, because this is the only One that could take the things of Christ and make them ours. That's why it's the Spirit that gives us utterance. That's when you're led and you walk in the Spirit. Praise be to God.

The Lord took all of my sin, and nailed all that to the cross for me. That's done. I just need to get through this weakened flesh that keeps holding me back; I keep looking at it. It's like no, no, no and I'm understanding that's when Jesus said greater things than I, ye shall be because He was already through it. He already knew this flesh, He made it. Even though He became one of us He's perfect and here we are, and what a battle it is that grace wins; grace wins, but you got to feed it with grace, and more grace. And He gives grace for grace. Praise the Lord.

So, let's wrap this up. So, brothers and sisters, it never changes, He is all the glory in us now because there is no glory but Him. All that glory is Him; the Lamb is the light of it all, He's the glory of it all, but it's all in us; Christ in us the hope of glory. That's that one that Paul ministers of, that's the mystery; that's it, that we would grow up into that perfect man; that perfect faith man, that perfect grace man, the perfect mercy man, the perfect love man. Once again, sinless perfection, He took care of that for every child of God; we are justified. That's done, that's not what this is speaking of. Not in any way, shape, or form, and as we walk in that spirit, that fellowship you don't think about the things of this. I challenge any one of us, what have we thought about in this world the last forty minutes? Has He not captivated our minds? Is this not

this helmet of salvation? Praise the Lord, this is the most set apart moment I've lived all day. It's amazing and who was I blessed to gather with? You see how important this is?

And it's not just being around one another with fellowship, it's in the gospel of Christ. It's not leagues, it's not little home groups; it's not that. It's not, it's this fellowship. This is what I want to know in you, and this is what you want to know in me. I thank the Lord for your lives, I thank God for all these different things, but the think I love about our lives is that everybody here is different completely. And we're all vessels of mercy; that means we're all messed up, we all have bunches of problems, we all have crazy stuff. We all come from crazy lives. No matter how wholesome, whatever we want to think of it's all disfunction. Know it, because this can't be anything but, and the Lord will show it, and He's going to make it known that you're never going to rely on it, and every time you get to relying on it He's such a faithful God; a faithful God, that's not going to happen anymore because I'm going to show you something. I'm going to show you something in you, I'm going to show you something in your kids. I'm going to show you in all the things that it was just grace and mercy all the way along honey. All grace and mercy, you didn't earn a thing.

Let's close with this tonight. I want us to think about many of the hidden revelations of this apocalypse; the apocalypse, the revelation, the unveiling that the Lord's shown us in the Old Testament. I'm talking about the revelation of the manifestation of the mystery, and by the Holy Ghost through the message of the Apostle Paul to us that put this all into perspective about the immensity of this fullness of Christ in us, and what we will participate with Him in jointly forever in. How about when Joseph's brethren bowed down to him? Huh? How about Esther so early on it said that the love for her exceeded all the others. He put the crown immediately on her head, and it was called Esther's feast in chapter two; Esther's feast. You all are going to come in here and pay honour to her.

How about Bathsheba? I'm going to sit you at the right hand of the king. How about the virtuous woman in Proverbs Thirty-one? The heart of her husband rests in her. The heart of Almighty God rests in her. How about the Shulamite in the Song of Solomon, it says the queens and the concubines, they praise her. What do you think those twenty-four elders, those Old Testament worthies as they're just in awe as the four living ones said thou art worthy to give, that we give glory to Him. That's what she gives to Him, she gives Him that glory. Let's read it, this one needs to be quoted exactly right. Chapter four, verse nine. And when those beasts, the four living ones; chapter four, verse nine give glory and honour, and thanks to Him that sat on the throne Who lives for ever, and ever.

The four living one; the bride, she gives Him that. And the way that I understand about giving, you can't give it unless you have it. She gives Him glory because she has it, she gives Him honour because the queens and the concubines they praise her; she gives Him that, because you know why she gives Him that? Because she knew, and knows where it came from. You, it's You, and He looks at us and He says it's you. I don't have this throne without your either honey; I can't have it without you. How vital is that? Just think of what all eternity is contingent upon as much

as Him. It's her, because it can't go forward unless He has His throne, and He can't take the throne without her. And I tell you what, the Holy Ghost has put that together in my heart, and I think yours too, and I get that. Grace and mercy beyond, beyond, beyond. Grace and mercy.

So, it says that when those beasts give glory, and honour, and thanks to Him that sat on the throne Who liveth for ever and ever oh, oh. Now here's the response of that other company that's right there too. It says the four and twenty elders. Oh, they have crowns, we read about them because they were round about the throne, they just fall down and they take their crowns off and they just throw them. They throw them. They cast them right there at Jesus' bride and they say oh, this is what we been waiting for. This is our friend; the friend of the bridegroom. They're waiting for the voice of the bridegroom, and now praise God not only have they heard, not only have they gone with them to get her, now they say oh He's got her, and we're just beside ourself. And they say thou art worthy to receive. To receive, you see that? Oh hallelujah, Thou art worthy O Lord in verse eleven to receive glory. See, it's their response, the bride gives it, and those twenty-four elders they're just in awe and they just throw off their crowns and they said oh, there they are; there's full glory, this is it. I can imagine there as it said Abraham, he sought that continuing city whose builder and maker was God. At that moment he sees it all, and he's just beside himself. And He says oh my. You're receiving everything you've ever wanted. Isn't that marvelous?

And then how about thinking here, Dan 2:46. It says king Nebuchadnezzar, and I appreciated this sister over this from a study she's been listening to. She's been going back to the last study we done on this as we've gone through. But it says king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and he worshipped Daniel, and he commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him. So, brothers and sisters, we could go on, and on, and on, couldn't we? And all I can only say to myself if I'm hesitating, or to any of my brethren that know this; Lord, help our unbelief. Lord, just help our unbelief. This is a mark for the prize for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Lay hold of it now, just take it now. And I'll tell you what, what a privilege it is tonight to be able to preach this to ones that smile and I can read you; yeah, it's mine. Hold that fast which thou hast. You have it, no man take thy crown praise God Let's stand and be dismissed.