**“After the Millennium” The Bible Echo 15, 23, pp. 363, 364.**

AFTER the wicked are destroyed, as shown in Revelation 20, He that sits upon the throne will say, Behold, I make all things new.” {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.1}

“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea;” and the new Jerusalem, the holy city, having already come down from God out of heaven, and being thus upon the earth, it is written: “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. 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.” Revelation 21:3, 4. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.2}

And thus is fulfilled the promise made of old:— {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.3}

“For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.” Isaiah 65:17-19. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.4}

“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. 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. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.” Revelation 21:23-25. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.5}

And there the wilderness shall be “like Eden,” and the desert as “the garden of the Lord.” “Joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.” Isaiah 51:3. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.6}

There “the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days.” And even “then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the Lord of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.” Isaiah 30:26; 24:23. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.7}

There “the inhabitants shall not say, I am sick;” for “the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.” Isaiah 33:24. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.8}

There the people “shall be all righteous” (Isaiah 60:21), and “the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing.” Isaiah 35:1, 2. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.9}

There the eyes of the blind shall have been opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped. There the lame man shall “leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.” “And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with sons and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.” Isaiah 35:5, 6, 10. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.10}

There all shall be so quiet and so secure that the people can dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. And the people, and the very places round about, shall be a blessing; yea, “there shall be *showers* of blessing.” Ezekiel 34:25, 26. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.11}

There the very land itself shall rejoice even with joy and singing; and there, for very joy, “the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.” Isaiah 55:12. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.12}

There “we shall ever feel the freshness of the morning, and shall ever be far from its close.” {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.13}

“And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are I the sea, and all that are in them,” are heard “saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever.” Revelation 5:13. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.14}

“And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him: and they shall see his face; and His name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.” Revelation 22:3-5. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.15}

“Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judgment, He hath cast out thine enemy: the King of Israel, even the Lord, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.... The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save, He will rejoice over thee with joy; He will rest in his love, He will joy over thee with singing.” {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 363.16}

“Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name.” “And let all the people say, Amen” and Amen. {BEST June 4, 1900, p. 364.1}

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