# The Big Picture: The Culmination of the Covenants

(Revelation 20-22)

#### The End?

- The Book of Revelation is a revealing of <u>Jesus Christ</u> (Rev. 1:1)
- All the elements of all the <u>covenants</u> come together at the end of this age oThis is laid out in the last 3 chapters of Revelation

## The Crushed Serpent

- The Ancient Serpent/Satan is bound, then destroyed (Rev. 20:2-3, 7, 10)
- Just like God promised Adam (Gen. 3:15)

#### A Heart for the Nations

- Satan is bound to stop him from <u>deceiving</u> the nations for a time, so they might come to Christ (Rev 20:3, see v. 8)
- In the New Jerusalem, people from all nations are present (Rev 21:24, 26; see 22:2)
- Just like God promised Abraham (Gen 22:18)

## A Holy Priesthood

- The resurrected saints act as priests (Rev 20:6)
- Just like God told Moses (Ex 19:5-6)

## The Great Renewal (Rev 21:1-5)

- Creation is restored to how things were meant to be in Eden
  - oTree of Life (vs. 2)
  - oNations healed (vs. 2)
  - The <u>curse</u> is gone (vs. 3)
  - OAble to see God face to face again (vs. 4)
    - GOD WITH US!!!

## The Eternal King

- At the center of it all is <u>Jesus</u>
  - oWho is presented as the <u>root/source</u> and the <u>offspring</u> of <u>David</u> (Rev 22:16)
    - The  $\underline{\text{Messiah}}$  = the eternal  $\underline{\text{King}}$
- And with Him is His bride, the <u>Church</u>
  - oWe are His people, He is our God (Rev 21:3; see Lev 26:12; Jer 31:33)

#### So What?

- The message of God's Word is the same from beginning to end:
  - oGod makes promises!
  - oGod keeps promises!
- Are we trusting Him with what He has promised?

Meditation Verse: Revelation 22:13