

EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS II

REVELATION 22:14

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

REVELATION 22:15

15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

REVELATION 22:16

16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

REVELATION 22:17

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The bride — those who are married to Jesus Christ in every generation and who will go to live in the New Jerusalem, which is the bride, the Lamb's wife

Hearing Christ say that he should come quickly, the Spirit and the bride express an earnest wish, and a most affectionate desire after his coming: by the Spirit is the Spirit of God in the hearts of his people, who not only convinces them of, and acquaints with the coming of Christ to judgment,

and gives them reason to expect it, but fills their souls with the love of his appearance, so that they look and long for it, and hasten in the breathings of their souls after it: and this in like manner he may be said to wish for, and desire it in them, as he is said to cry Abba, Father, in them

The Spirit and the bride signify one and the same; namely, the spiritual bride of Christ, who is sanctified by the Spirit of God; even all the elect of God, whom Christ loved from all eternity,

and who are espoused to him as a chaste virgin; the new Jerusalem, who is as a bride adorned for her husband, and is the bride, the Lamb's wife: these wait for the bridegroom's coming.

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REVELATION 22:18

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

DEUTERONOMY 4:1

1 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

DEUTERONOMY 4:2

2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

DEUTERONOMY 12:32

32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.

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#### REVELATION 22:19

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

#### REVELATION 22:20

20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Maranathais an Aramaic word that means "the Lord is coming" or "come, O Lord. " The early church faced much persecution, and life for a Christian under Roman rule was not easy. The Romans required everyone to declare that Caesar was god.

The early Christians knew that there is only one God and in all good conscience they could not call Caesar "Lord," so the Romans looked upon them as traitors, persecuted them, and put them to death.

Living under those adverse conditions, the believers' morale was lifted by the hope of the coming of the Lord. "Maranatha!" became the common greeting of the oppressed believers, replacing the Jewish greeting shalom (peace).

The followers of Jesus knew there would be no peace because Jesus had told them so. But they also knew the Lord would be returning to set up His kingdom, and from that truth they drew great comfort. They were constantly reminding and being reminded that the Lord is.

REVELATION 22:21

21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

SONG OF SOLOMON 8:14

14 Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:16

16 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:17

17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.