

“I Will Make & Write on him”

Part 1

(Rev 3:12-13)



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Recap of this series



Began in beginning of Sept:

- ✧ Introduction
- ✧ The Key of David Part 1 & 2
- ✧ He Who Opens and Shuts
- ✧ The Synagogue of Satan
- ✧ The Hour of Testing
- ✧ Our Promised Crown
- ✧ The I Wills of the Lord Jesus

And finally, the FINALE of this letter to Philadelphia:

- ✧ I Will Make and Write on him

Scripture Reading



Revelation 3:7-13

7 “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write:

He who is holy, who is true, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, and who shuts and no one opens, says this:

8 ‘I know your deeds. Behold, I have put before you an open door which no one can shut, because you have a little power, and have kept My word, and have not denied My name. 9 Behold, I will cause those of the synagogue of Satan, who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie – I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and make them know that I have loved you.

Scripture Reading



Revelation 3:7-13 (Cont'd)

10 Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. 11 I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, so that no one will take your crown. 12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name. 13 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

Exposit 3:12



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❧ “I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God” [more on this]

❧ “I will write on him” [more on this]

❧ “the new Jerusalem” [briefly on this]

❧ “My God” [more on this]

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- ✧ I want to call to our attention “I will” future tense. This is prophecy!
- ✧ Because this promise is qualified “He who overcomes” this applies to all believers in the church of Jesus Christ and will be fulfilled in the future!
- ✧ How do we know this hasn’t been fulfilled until now? Well how many believers in church history were made a pillar in the temple of God? Exactly, hence, this is an end times prophecy!
- ✧ Ok, what does this promise mean? To answer that let’s do what we’ve been doing all along and exposit this further

“I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God”



- ☞ “pillar” is stulos is used only 4x in the NT, 2x in Revelation
- ☞ Although stulos can mean an actual physical pillar or column which stands by itself or supports a building this is not used in Scripture in this way
- ☞ The 3x other mentions of stulos speaks of stulos as figurative
- ☞ Allow me to show that to you...

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Galatians 2:9 and recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be **pillars (stulos)**, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, so that we might go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised.

☞ Here stulos is associated with the apostles who were reputed (thought of) to be the pillars. Pillars of what? Let's use Scripture to answer that:

1 Timothy 3:15 but in case I am delayed, I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is **the church of the living God**, the **pillar (stulos)** and support of the truth.

☞ Here “the church of the living God” = “the stulos and support of the truth”

☞ Tie in Gal 2:9, the apostles were the pillars (stulos) of the church and truth

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3rd mention of stulos:

Rev 10:1 I saw another strong angel coming down out of heaven, clothed with a cloud; and the rainbow was upon his head, and his face was like the sun, and his feet like **pillars (stulos)** of fire;

☞ This strong angel's feet described as stulos of fire

☞ Kind of like the Lord Jesus's burnished bronze feet in Rev 1 - made as a fire burned in a furnace

☞ Point here is stulos is describing the feet that is holding up or supporting this strong mighty angel -

☞ **CASE IN POINT:** in all 3x other mentions of stulos it was figurative not an actual pillar or column holding up a structure like a building or house

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- ❧ It is not the tabernacle (under Moses), 1st temple (under Solomon), 2nd temple (under Zerubbabel), nor the future 3rd temple (where the abomination of desolation will occur)
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“12b and I will write on him **the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem**, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name
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- ❧ Thus, the temple spoken of in v. 12 is from heaven!
- ❧ Lo and behold, John in this great vision tells us more about that in Rev 21
- ❧ Now we won't get into that now because that's like telling you the ending of the movie at the beginning!
- ❧ But I will say this much, this promise takes place
 - ❧ AFTER the 7 Seals/7 Trumpets/7 Bowls
 - ❧ AFTER the millennial reign of Christ;
 - ❧ AFTER Satan was loosed from 1,000 year imprisonment;
 - ❧ AFTER Satan was cast into the lake of fire
 - ❧ AFTER the Great White Throne judgment

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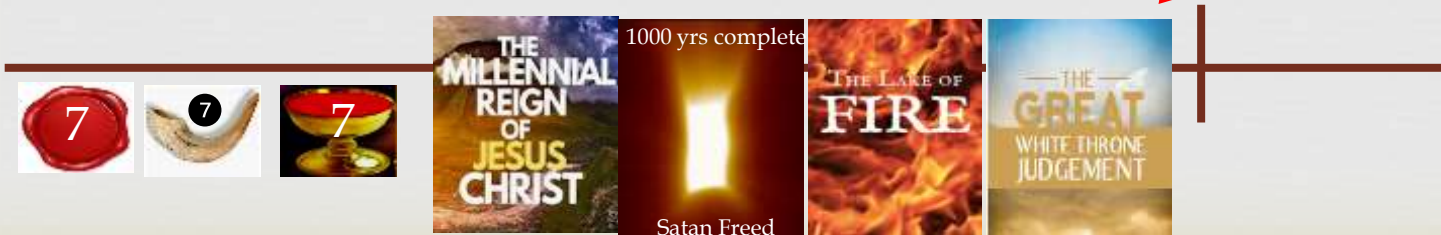


- ❧ So Jesus promised that He will make the church, the members of God's household a pillar of truth in the temple from heaven, when?
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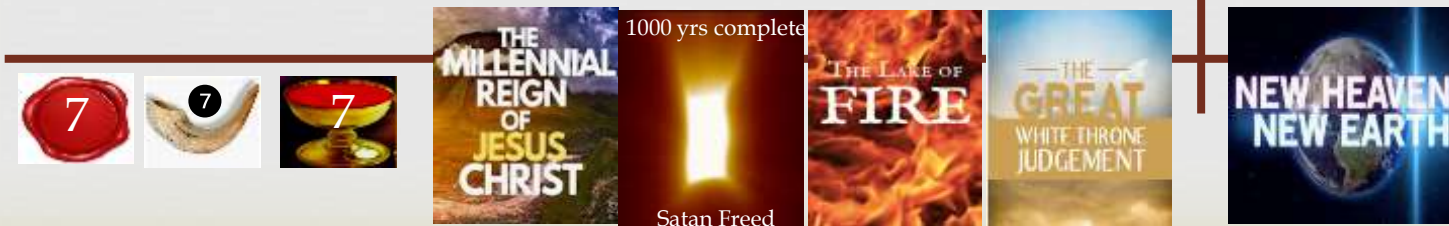
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- ❧ So it's not until the new heaven and new earth arrives will our Lord Jesus fulfill His promise to make us!
 - ❧ “a pillar of truth in the temple of My God”
- ❧ TRUTH: The Lord Jesus will make believers a pillar truth in the heavenly temple in the new heaven and new earth! This is AFTER the 1st heaven and 1st earth as we know it passes away!
- ❧ Our Lord not only promises to make us a pillar in heaven's temple, in the new heaven and new earth, but He goes on to say “I will write on him” ...

“I will write on him”



What will our Lord Jesus write?

“I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name.”

- ✧ In addition to making the church of Jesus Christ pillars in heaven’s temple, Jesus promises to write (graphō) on him:
 - ✧ The name (onoma) of My God
 - ✧ The name (onoma) of the city of My God
 - ✧ The new Jerusalem [of My God]
 - ✧ “and My new name (onoma)” [given by His God]
- ✧ QUESTION: On what part of us (body, soul)? Must use Scripture

“I will write on him”



✧ 66x graphō is used in the NT

✧ As for anything written on any part of our body or soul, there was only 1x mention:

Rev 14:1 (concerning the 144K sealed Jews)

1 Then I looked, and behold, the Lamb was standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His name (onoma) and the name (onoma) of His Father written (graphō) **on their foreheads**.

"I will write on him"



- ❧ DEDUCTION: I believe the Lord Jesus will Personally write on us the name (onoma), the name (onoma) city, of His God and His New Name (onoma) on our foreheads in the new heaven and new earth!
- ❧ CONJECTURE: It could be our hand as well. Just as the mark of the beast was on the forehead or hand, it's plausible that our Lord Jesus will write on us the Name, City, New Jerusalem, His New Name on our forehead OR hand!
- ❧ I'd like to touch on briefly "the new Jerusalem"

The New Jerusalem



- ✧ I also won't delve into this topic too much for today's study and will save it for the end, but I do want to make a few comments about it
- ✧ In v. 12 the temple "the city of My God" = "the new Jerusalem"
- ✧ "new" is kainos which speaks of surpassing quality, something of a new kind, of freshness
- ✧ The new (kainos) Jerusalem is contrasted with the old Jerusalem that existed on earth, and it surpasses it in quality and is something different, something better, something never experienced
- ✧ Just like the earthly tabernacle and temple was a shadow of the true tabernacle, the true temple which is in heaven
- ✧ So was the earthly Jerusalem a shadow of true city, the new Jerusalem that is in heaven and is to come!

The New Jerusalem



- ✧ Furthermore, just as Abraham's physical descendants on earth was a shadow of the citizens of God in heaven
- ✧ So too are Abraham's true descendants, believers in Jesus Christ, a true representation of the Father's household which will populate the new heaven and new earth!
- ✧ More can be said about this kainos Jerusalem, but we'll save that towards the end
- ✧ Just know that the present Jerusalem, the present temple, the present holy mountain are just shadows of the new Jerusalem, the heavenly temple, the heavenly mountain which is in heaven and will descend on the new heaven and new earth!
- ✧ One last comment on v. 12 and we'll close...