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**B. The awesome size of the city** – will be 1200 cubic miles.

**15** The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod to measure the city, and its gates and its wall. **16** The city is laid out as a square, and its length is as great as the width; and he measured the city with the rod, fifteen hundred miles; its length and width and height are equal.

**C. The walls of the city** – 75 yards high.

**17** And he measured its wall, seventy-two yards, according to human measurements, which are also angelic measurements.

**18** The material of the wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass. **19** The foundation stones of the city wall were adorned with every kind of precious stone.

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**Revelation 21:21** – “... And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. <sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

**2. Perfect worshippers – v22** No need for temples -**Jn 4:21–23**

**3. Light of God’s blazing glory – v23-24** No Sun or Moon will be necessary.

**v23** And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

**4. Everlasting Security – v25-26**

**v25** In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed; <sup>26</sup> and they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it; <sup>27</sup> and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb’s book of life.”

**5. Perfect holiness of its citizens – v27**

**6. The River of the Water of Life – 22:1**

**22:1** —“Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb,

**7. The Tree of Life – v22:2**

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