



Message

***The 'kingdom
of God' ...***



“The kingdom of God”

HOLY
BIBLE

GENESIS



REVELATION

***The 'kingdom
of God' is
growing
through the
Church
by the Spirit***



Genesis



Revelation



***‘The kingdom of God...
through the Scriptures.’***

A photograph of a grand courtroom, viewed through a large opening framed by heavy red curtains. The courtroom features a high ceiling, a white marble pediment, and four tall, fluted marble columns. A clock is mounted on the wall between the second and third columns. The judge's bench is a long, dark wood structure with several black chairs. The floor is made of dark wood. The lighting is warm, and the overall atmosphere is formal and majestic.

Apocalypse = unveiling

**WRONG
WAY**

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***the 'kingdom
of God' ...***

***'God's people,
in God's place,
under God's rule,
and enjoying God's blessing.'***



The kingdom of God...

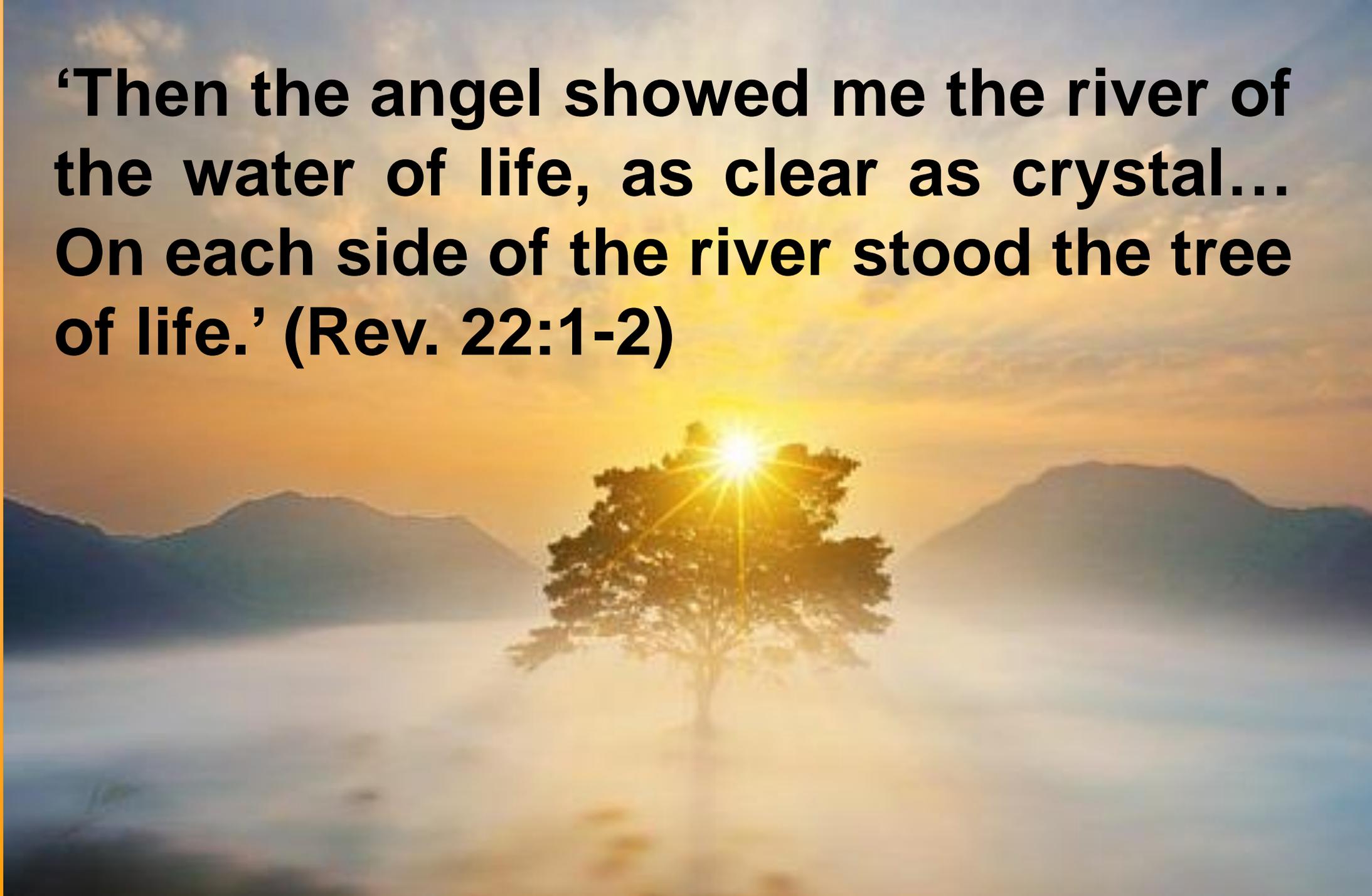
God's place



'...‘a new heaven and a new earth,’ for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Look! God’s dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them.’

(Rev. 21:1-3)

‘Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal... On each side of the river stood the tree of life.’ (Rev. 22:1-2)





‘the Holy City, the new Jerusalem’ (Rev. 21:2)

The kingdom of God...
God's place



‘The city was laid out like a square, as long as it was wide. He measured the city with the rod and found it to be 12,000 stadia in length [1,400 miles], and as wide and high as it is long.’ (Rev. 21:16)

The kingdom of God...

God's place



‘God’s dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them.’ (Rev. 21:3)

‘I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.’ (Rev. 21:22)

The kingdom of God...

God's people and rule



- **All the nations (Rev. 21:24)**

'...there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.' (Rev. 7:9)

The kingdom of God...
God's blessing

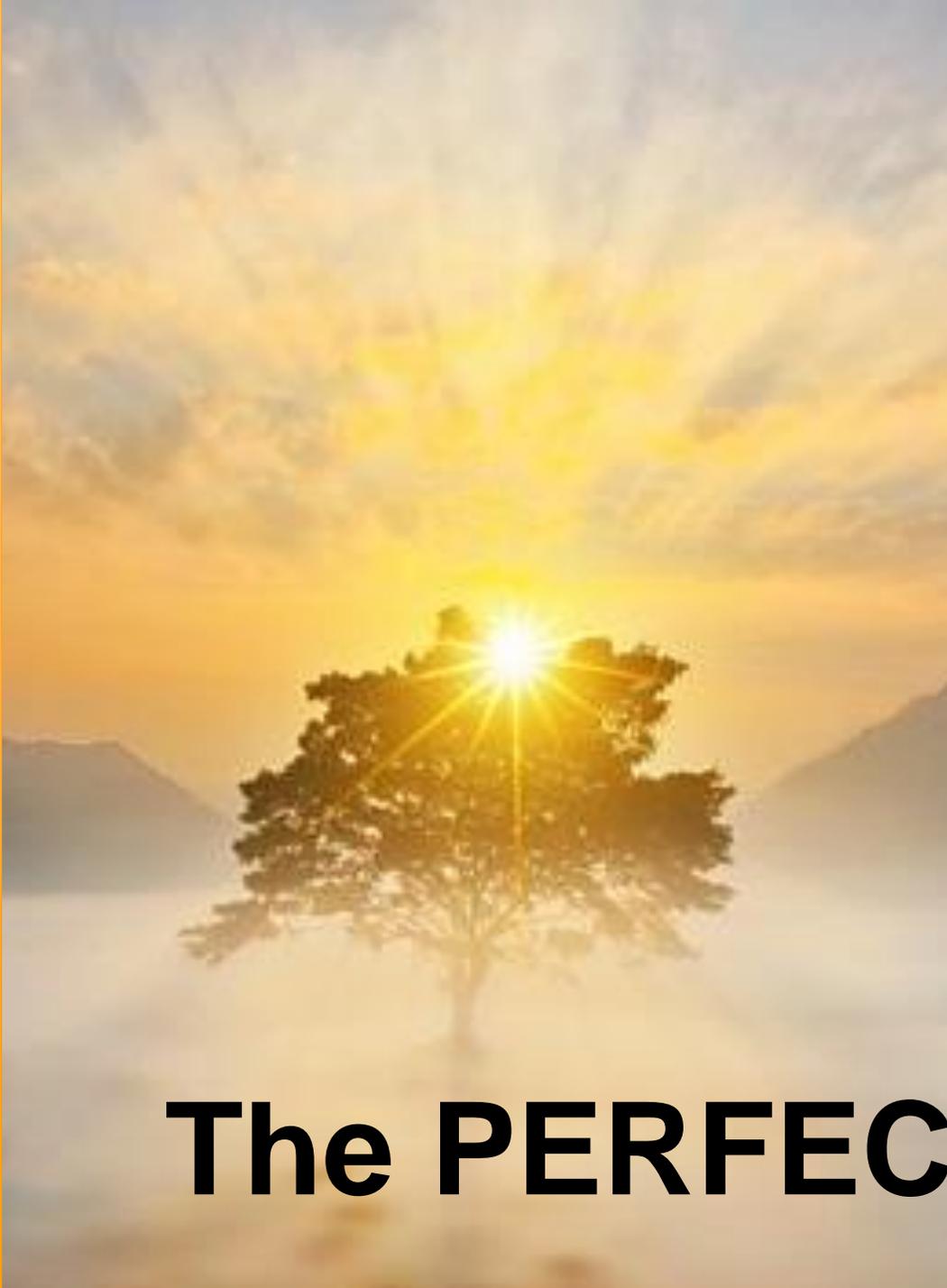


“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death” or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.’

(Rev. 21:4)

‘no longer will there be any curse’

(Rev. 22:3)



The PERFECTED kingdom

The perfected kingdom...



‘The souls of the righteous, being then made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies.’

Westminster Confession (Q. 57)

The perfected kingdom...



‘I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.’ (John 14:3)

‘Jesus [said], ‘Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.’ (Luke 23:43)

‘I...would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.’ (2 Cor. 5:8)





The return of Jesus...

The return of Jesus...



‘...in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, ‘Where is this “coming” he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.’

(2 Peter 3:3-4)

The return of Jesus...



‘But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: with the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.’ (2 Peter 3:8-9)

The return of Jesus...



‘Nothing impure will ever enter it [the new Jerusalem], nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb’s book of life.’
(Rev. 21:27)

The return of Jesus...



'love...

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(1 Cor.13:6)





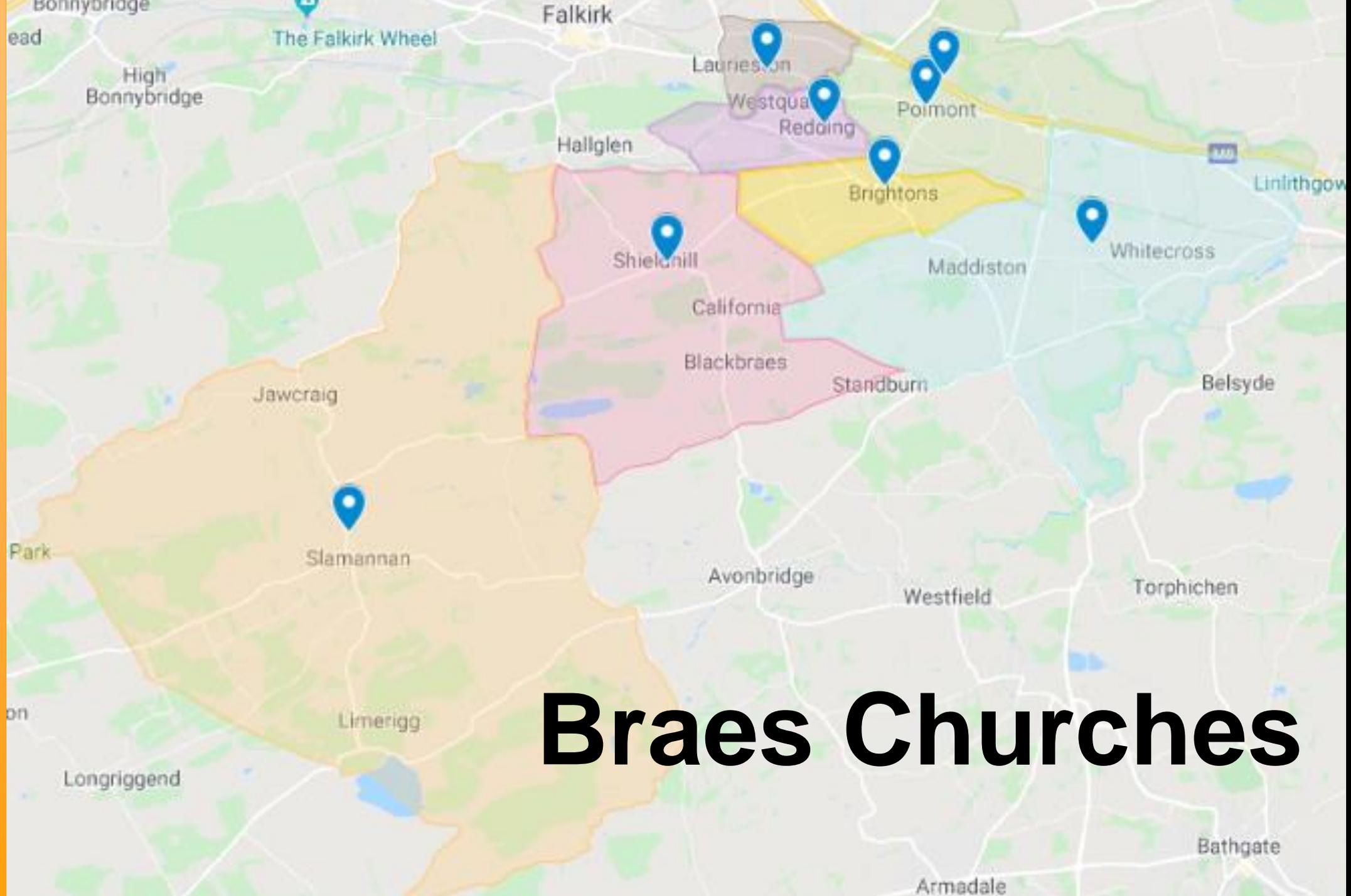
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THE BOOK OF REVELATION

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***The 'kingdom
of God'...***



***Remember the
fundamentals;
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the temporal***

