

THE RIVER OF LIFE

Printed Text: *Revelation 22:1 - 7*

Bible Background: Revelation 22:1 - 7

Devotional Reading: Genesis 1:1 - 13

LESSON AIMS: the students will:

- **RESEARCH** the Biblical references to the “river of life” to learn its spiritual, symbolic, and material effect on creation
- **IMAGINE** God’s provisions to be found in the river of life, which will nourish and heal people and nations in the New Jerusalem
- **RESPOND** to the river of life through acceptance, faith, and entrance into the fullness of God’s kingdom

INTRODUCTION: The Book of Revelation was written to assure believers that Jesus is with us, His people, throughout the course of history - - until the very end of time. Those of us who believe in Him and believe His holy Word can live in confidence that in the end, sin and evil will be defeated and God will prevail. As Chapter 22 begins, the theme of Chapter 21 is continued, comparing the original creation with the new creation. Paradise was lost by Adam and Eve, but we will regain the privilege to live with God.

KEY VERSE:

*22 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. *Revelation 22:1 / KJV**

LESSON:

God’s Glorious People

Revelation 22:1 - 2

God’s Glorious Presence

verses 3 - 5

God's Glorious Promise

verses 6 - 7

SUMMARY: John was shown the city's framework, its foundations, walls, gates, and a street. The Holy City will also have other elements, such as a river, trees, and fruit. The river is called the "river of water of life." It is also called living water. The source of this river will be the throne of God and of the Lamb. There will be no more curse; there will be no night there. We have many wonderful promises which will be fulfilled when God calls for the new earth to begin.

QUESTIONS:

1. *In what ways might the tree of life be used "for healing of the nations"?*
2. *Jesus is the light of the world, and of Heaven. How have you seen His light in your life?*
3. *How do we know that God's words are trustworthy and true?*

**Daily Bible Readings for
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DAY / DATE	SCRIPTURE	
Mon., Aug. 15 th	My Soul Thirsts for You	Psalm 63
Tue., Aug. 16 th	Living Waters Shall Flow from Jerusalem	Zechariah 14:6 - 11
Wed., Aug. 17 th	Jesus Promises Living Water	John 4:4 - 14
Thurs., Aug. 18 th	Worship God in Spirit and Truth	John 4:15 - 26
Fri., Aug. 19 th	Rivers of Living Water	John 7:37 - 40
Sat., Aug. 20 th	Water on the Thirsty Land	Isaiah 44:1 - 8
Sun., Aug. 21 st	For the Healing of the Nations	Revelations 22:1 - 7