

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further
International Bible Lessons

Revelation 22:11-21
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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. What warning or hope do people receive from Revelation 22:11?

Warning that those who are vile will remain vile forever if they do not repent of their sins and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; a warning that people have only a limited time in which to repent, and they do not know how long that time will last before the opportunity to repent and come to faith in Jesus is gone. This warning should lead people to trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior sooner rather than later.

Hope and confidence that by grace through faith in Jesus Christ those who believe in Him are forgiven of their sins, cleansed from their sins, and set apart by God to glorify God and live a holy life. Those who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior will remain set apart by Him to live holy lives forever. Jesus Christ will preserve them from doing vile things forever upon the new earth and in the new heavens.

2. How does Revelation 22:12 encourage you?

Jesus is coming soon! Either when I die and He comes for me as He promised or at His Second Coming. Furthermore, Jesus will reward His faithful followers according to what they have done. Jesus is gracious, merciful, and just as our Lord and Savior.

3. What are three names or descriptions of God that Jesus applied to himself in Revelation 22:13?

Alpha and Omega, First and Last, Beginning and End.

4. How did Jesus describe or reveal His human nature?

He was born of the line of David, to be the Messiah of the line of David. He is the Root, or the beginning of the line of David as a descendant of the tribe of Judah. Only God could be the beginning and the ending of a human line of descendants. Thus, Jesus, as the Son of God, is fully God and fully human.

5. What will happen to the person who adds to the scroll (the Bible) or takes away from it (the Bible)?

He will suffer the plagues described in the scroll and he will not share in the tree of life and in the Holy City.

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