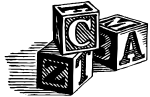


Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

"What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "The Storyline of the Bible - The Story's Epilogue - The Kingdom of God," (Revelation 22:1-5).



Basic Ideas from Revelation 22:1-5.

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know the story will end where it began, with God.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose to rest in the author's purpose, even when we do not understand.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of resting in the person and purpose of the story's author knowing the end is certain and the finish in sight.



Basic Questions from Revelation 22:1-5.

1. Think of what we read in Revelation 19-22. What does this tell you about the story?
2. Think of the big ideas contained in 19:20, 21; 21:1-8; 22:1-5. What are the big ideas?
3. Knowing the end of the story, how does this change your thinking and your behavior?
4. What images are used to describe the perfected kingdom?
5. What are the features of life in the new creation?
6. How does it reflect the Garden of Eden?
7. Who will enjoy its benefits?
8. What should be the implication of these truths about the future for our lives now?



The **Basic Application** from Revelation 22:1-5.

1. As we read the various stages of the storyline in the Bible, we must ask, "Where are we in the Bible's storyline?"
2. Because God is the Hero of the Bible from beginning to end, and He never changes, we must ask, "What does this passage tell me about Him and my relationship to Him?"
3. How do you affirm the storyline of the Bible in your daily routines?
4. What does this story cause you to change in your thinking and/or actions?