

# “FINDING ACCEPTANCE IN LIFE”

## REVELATION 22:1-5

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### INTRODUCTION

THE search for real life; the search for acceptance

No need to search any longer; here is your answer!

- I. LIFE (1)
  - A. Water of Life: cf. Gen. 2:9ff; Ezek. 47:1-12; Zech. 14:8
    - Here the water flows from God’s throne in the New Jerusalem
    - The special appeal of such in an arid climate
    - Cf. References to the blessings of the HS: Is. 44:3; Jn. 7:37-39a; 4:10, 14
    1. Its Color—clear, bright as Crystal
    2. Its Source—From the throne of God and the Lamb
    3. Its Location—middle of the street (2a)
  - B. Tree of Life (2) [cf. Ezek. 47:12]  
Important trees of Scripture:
    - Tree of knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2)
    - Tree of Golgotha
    - Tree of Life (Gen. 2 & Rev. 22)
    1. Its Location
    2. Its Fruit
    3. Its Leaves
  - C. Light of Life (5)—cf. 21:23
    1. No Night
    2. No Lamp or sun
    3. Divine illumination
- II. ACCEPTANCE (4) [cf. loss of fellowship in the Garden]
  - A. The lifting of the curse—“no more any accursed thing”
  - B. Seeing God’s face
    - Faith gives way to sight
    - The Pure in heart do see God (Mt. 5:8).
    - We shall be like Him (I Jn. 3:2)
  - C. Having God’s Name [His character and ownership—cf. Ex. 28:36-38]
  - D. Enjoying God’s Reign (3b)—the throne of God and of the lamb shall be in it.
- III. SERVICE (3)—“His servants shall serve Him
- IV. AUTHORITY (5:c)—“they shall reign forever and ever.

### CONCLUSION

Have you found acceptance in life?