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The brilliant gleaming light of New Jerusalem has as its source:

God - the Father of Lights.

Jesus - The Light of the World

The Holy Spirit – who enlightens us

Daniel 5:11 There is a man in your kingdom in whom *is* the Spirit of the Holy God. And in the days of your father, light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, were found in him

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- New Jerusalem will reflect every perfect characteristic of our God, and the first two characteristics that are emphasized are: **God's holiness** and **God's glorious light**.

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- **THE HOLY CITY**

- Jerusalem is called the holy city, coming down from Heaven (Rev 21:2. Rev 21:10)

God's presence is HOLY

- ^{CSB} **Exodus 3:5** "Do not come closer," He said. "Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."
- The whole New Earth will be **holy ground**, because God will purify it to receive **His presence**, and He will **dwell among us**.

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- **THE HOLY CITY**

- *The Knowledge of the Holy* – A.W. Tozer:

- “God’s holiness is not the best we know, infinitely bettered.

- We know nothing like **the divine holiness**. It stands apart, unique, unapproachable, incomprehensible, and unattainable. The natural man is blind to it. he may fear God’s power and admire His wisdom, but His holiness he cannot even imagine.

- Only the Spirit of the Holy One can impart to the human spirit the knowledge of the Holy.”

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- The Holy Spirit imparts holiness to us.
- ^{NKJ} **Ephesians 4:24** you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.
- ^{CSB} **Psalm 29:2** Give the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of *His* holiness.

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- **THE HOLY CITY**
- Holy is the way God is.
- He is absolutely holy
- with an **infinite**,
- **incomprehensible**
- **fullness of purity** that is incapable of being other than it is.

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THE CITY OF GOD'S GLORY

Factual statements about the city:

- It is a **great** city.
- It is a **holy** city.
- It is **Jerusalem**.
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Figurative language about the city:

- Her light is like *the most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal.*

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- It's not the precious gems and golden streets that make the city shine.
- It is the glory of God.
- John sees the **full expression** of the glory of God.

In the New Jerusalem -

- **Nothing veils** the bright shining presence of our Holy Father God.
- **Nothing diminishes** the brilliant light of the face of our Savior Jesus.
- **Nothing hides** the light of the Holy Spirit

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- *The Father's House – Stephen Davey – Revelation 21*
- But what John sees here in this vision of New Jerusalem is the full and open disclosure of the glory of God
- It is its fullest and **now eternal expression.**
- The city of gold, sparkling and shimmering like a diamond – this is the Father's house – with the glory of God's light – now descending to the New Earth.

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Hebrew: ***kabod*** – glory - to be heavy, weighty

Figuratively - honorable, impressive, worthy of respect

The glory of God –

- ❖ how impressive and worthy of respect He is
- ❖ the sum of all of His attributes and characteristics
- ❖ the sum of everything about Him
- ❖ the totality of His perfections
- ❖ His supreme significance and splendor

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$$\infty \infty \infty \infty (x + a)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k a^{n-k} \infty \infty \infty \infty$$

• ADD UP THE SUM OF:

His holiness

+ light

+ love

+ goodness

+ power

+ everything that you know about God...

THE GLORY OF GOD!

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- **Psalm 145:5** I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, And on Your wondrous works.
- **Names of God**
- **YHWH** – Yahweh - **I am that I am** - God's most intimate, personal, relational name
- **YHWH-Jireh** (**The Lord Will Provide**, Genesis 22:14): God provides for the needs of His people.
- **YHWH -Rapha** (**The Lord Who Heals**, Exodus 15:26): God heals physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds.
- **YHWH -Nissi** (**The Lord My Banner**, Exodus 17:15): God provides victory and covering in battle.

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- **YHWH -Mekoddishkem** (**The Lord Who Sanctifies**, Exodus 31:13): God sets His people apart for His purpose.
- **YHWH -Magen** (**The Lord My Shield**, Deuteronomy 33:29): God is the protector of His people. ^{NKJ} **Psalm 3:3** But You, O LORD, *are* a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head.
- **YHWH -Shalom** (**The Lord Is Peace**, Judges 6:24): God is the source of true, lasting peace.

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- **YHWH -Raah** (**The Lord My Shepherd**, Psalm 23:1): God cares for, guides, and protects His people.
- **YHWH -Tsidkenu** (**The Lord Our Righteousness**, Jeremiah 23:6): God provides justification and righteousness.
- **YHWH -Shammah** (**The Lord Is There**, Ezekiel 48:35): God's presence is with His people.

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The Perfections of God - characteristics that belong to God and God alone

- ❖ Independent (self-sufficient)
- ❖ Immutable (unchanging)
- ❖ Infinite (beyond all limits of time and space)
- ❖ Eternal (He has no beginning or end)
- ❖ Transcendent (greater than, and independent of all creation)
- ❖ Omnipresent (fully present in every place)
- ❖ Omniscient (perfect knowledge of Himself, and all actual things)
- ❖ Omnipotent (His ability to do anything consistent with His nature)

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Communicable Perfections of God - that which He shares with creation

- Spiritual and Invisible (not perceived by the physical senses)
- Wisdom
- Truth and Faithfulness
- Goodness
- Love
- Grace
- Mercy

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Communicable Perfections of God - that which He shares with creation

- Longsuffering
- Righteousness and Justice
- Jealousy (zealous protectiveness of all that belongs to Him)
- Will (His perfect determination and sovereign ordination of all things)
- Blessedness (God is perfectly delighted with Himself)

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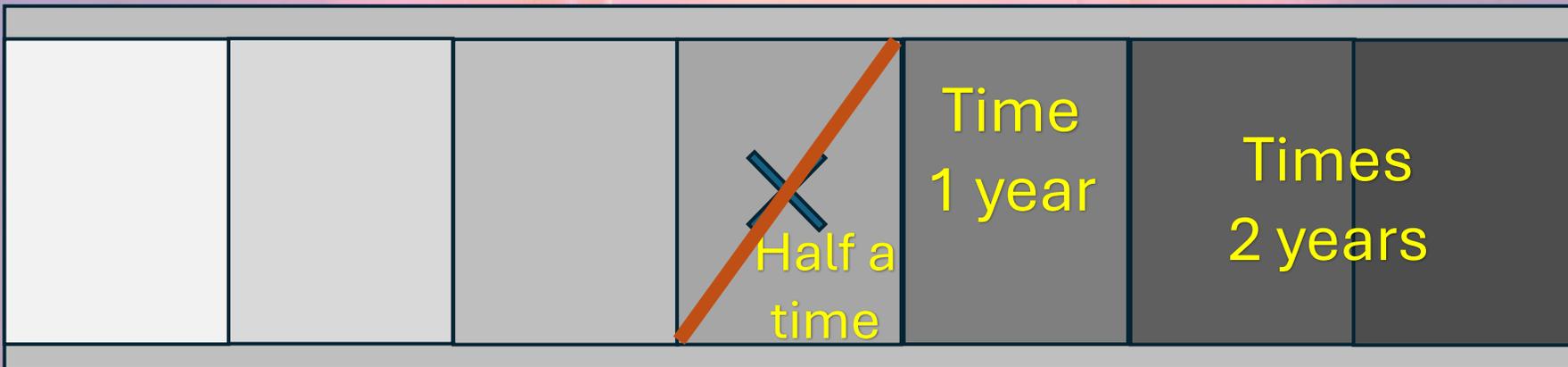
Our God - The Father, The Son, The Holy Spirit,

- the Tri-Unity -

dwelling on His New Earth

will let His incomparable glory

shine in its fullest expression!



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