

A floating island with a castle and a town, set against a cosmic background. The island is illuminated from below, and the background features a bright, glowing light source and a colorful nebula. The text is overlaid on a dark, semi-transparent rectangular area.

Heaven, Hell and the Christian Hope

A floating island with a castle under a starry sky. The island is a dark, jagged rock formation floating in a vast, dark blue sky filled with stars and nebulae. On top of the island sits a large, ornate castle with many towers and spires, illuminated from within, casting a warm glow. The castle's architecture is reminiscent of a Gothic or medieval style. The sky is a mix of deep blues and purples, with bright, colorful nebulae and star clusters visible in the background. The overall atmosphere is one of mystery and wonder, suggesting a celestial or otherworldly setting.

ETERNAL GLORY

**What will Heaven
be like?**

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a starry sky. The island is dark and jagged, with a large, illuminated castle on top. The castle has a tall spire and is surrounded by smaller buildings. The sky is a mix of dark blue and green, with many stars and nebulae. The overall scene is ethereal and otherworldly.

HEAVEN

Who is going to be
there?

objection:



Can we really say?



Who are we to judge?



God is judge.

*His word reveals to us
his determination*



A floating island with a castle and town against a cosmic sky. The island is a dark, flat platform floating in a vast, colorful sky. On top of the island, there is a large, ornate castle with a tall spire, and a smaller town with houses and buildings. The sky is a mix of green, blue, and yellow, with stars and nebulae visible. The overall scene is surreal and fantastical.

Who will be in heaven?

few
in *comparative*
terms

But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and appears to be made of rock or wood, with a large, ornate castle on top. The castle has many windows and a tall spire. The island is surrounded by soft, white clouds. The text "rev 21:22-26" is written in yellow on the island.

rev
21:22-26

Outside are the dogs and sorcerers
and the sexually immoral and
murderers and idolaters, and
everyone who loves and practices
falsehood.

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and appears to be made of rock or a similar solid material. The castle is illuminated with a warm, golden light, suggesting it might be lit up at night or by a strong light source. The sky is a pale, hazy blue with soft, white clouds. The overall scene has a dreamlike or ethereal quality.

rev
22:15

Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and **those who find it are few.**



Not all “good” people



Not all “nice” people



Not all religious people



Not everyone who says to me,
“Lord, Lord,” will enter the kingdom
of heaven, but the one who does
the will of my Father who is in
heaven.



On that day many will say to me,
“Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in
your name, and cast out demons in
your name, and do many mighty
works in your name?” And then will
I declare to them, “I never knew
you; depart from me, you workers
of lawlessness.”



A floating island with a castle and town against a cosmic sky. The island is dark and silhouetted against a bright, glowing sky with green and blue nebulae and stars. The castle is illuminated with warm orange and yellow light, and the town below it is also lit up. The island appears to be floating in a vast, dark space filled with clouds.

Who will be in heaven?

many
in *absolute*
terms

After this I looked, and behold, a
**great multitude that no one could
number, from every nation, from
all tribes and peoples and languages,**
standing before the throne and before
the Lamb, clothed in white robes,
with palm branches in their hands



rev
7:9

A floating island with a castle and a town, set against a dramatic sky with clouds and a bright light source. The island is dark and jagged, with a large, illuminated castle on top. The castle has a tall spire and is surrounded by smaller buildings. The sky is a mix of blue, green, and yellow, with a bright light source on the right side. The overall mood is ethereal and divine.

Who will be in heaven?

**those redeemed
by Christ**

***Those who respond to
God's grace in the way
he requires***



Whoever **believes in** the Son has **eternal life**; whoever **does not obey** the Son shall not see life, but the **wrath of God** remains on him.



Whoever **believes in** the Son has
eternal life; whoever **does not obey**
the Son shall not see life, but the
wrath of God remains on him.



And being made perfect, he became
the source of **eternal salvation** to
all who obey him.



***All who do so in every age
are redeemed by the blood
of Christ***




Jesus said to him, “I am the way,
and the truth, and the life. **No one**
comes to the Father except
through me.”



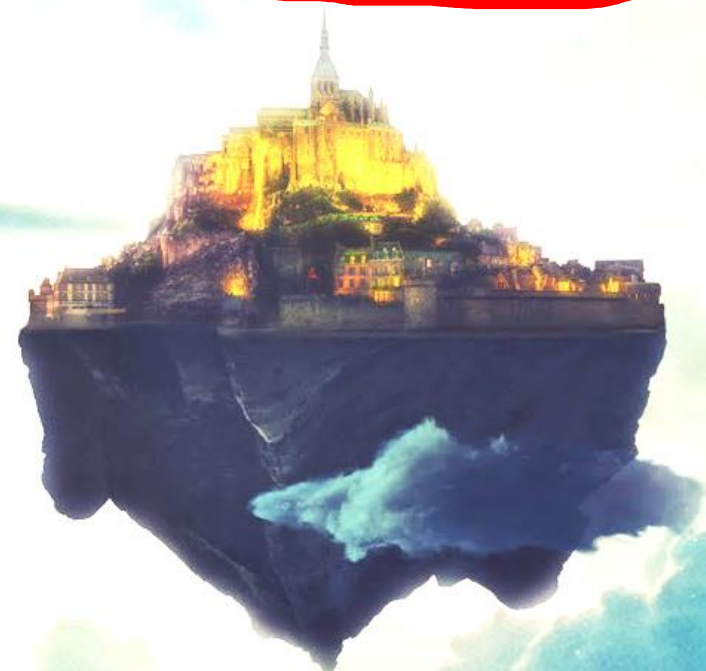
***To be redeemed by Christ,
we must faithfully
follow him***



A dramatic image of a castle on a floating island in a cloudy sky. The castle is illuminated from within, casting a warm glow. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and the overall atmosphere is ethereal and heavenly.

Who will be in heaven?
those who
faithfully follow
Christ

*This means we must first
become faithful disciples
of Christ*



And it shall come to pass that
everyone who calls upon the name
of the Lord shall be saved.

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and rocky, with a large, ornate castle featuring a prominent spire. The castle is illuminated with warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The island appears to be floating above a layer of white, fluffy clouds. The overall scene is ethereal and majestic.

acts
2:21

Repent and **be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.



And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “**Save yourselves** from this crooked generation.”

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and rocky, with a large, ornate castle featuring a tall spire and multiple towers. The castle is illuminated with warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The island appears to be floating in a sky filled with soft, white clouds.

acts
2:40

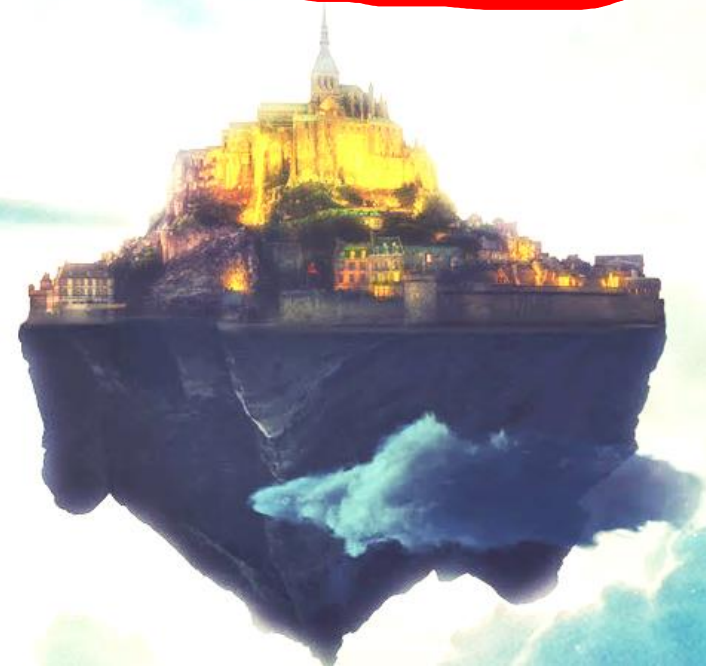
For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.




...for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
And if you are Christ's, then you are
Abraham's offspring, heirs according
to promise.



*This means we must then
remain faithful disciples
of Christ*



Let **what you heard** from the beginning **abide in you.** **If** what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will **abide in the Son and in the Father.** And this is the promise that he made to us—**eternal life.**



**1 john
2:24-25**

*This means faithfully
serving and worshipping
him **at all costs***




Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be **tested**, and for ten days you will have tribulation. **Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.**



...and if children, then heirs—heirs
of God and fellow heirs with Christ,
provided we suffer with him in
order that we may also be glorified
with him.



A dramatic illustration of a castle on a floating island in a cloudy sky. The castle is illuminated from within, casting a warm glow. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and the overall scene is ethereal and heavenly.

Who will be in heaven?
**the faithful
in the body
of Christ**

the household of God, which is **the church of the living God**, a pillar and buttress of the truth.



1 tim
3:15

For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of **the church, his body, and is himself its Savior.**

A floating island with a church on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and appears to be made of rock or wood, with a large, ornate church building on top. The church has a tall spire and is illuminated from within, casting a warm glow. The island is surrounded by soft, white clouds. The text "eph 5:23" is written in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font over the lower part of the island.

**eph
5:23**

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word



so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.



eph
5:25-27

A dramatic, ethereal image of a large, ancient stone castle with multiple towers and spires, perched atop a dark, floating island. The castle is illuminated from within, casting a warm, golden glow. The island is surrounded by thick, dark, swirling clouds. The sky above is a vibrant mix of teal, blue, and yellow, with soft, wispy clouds and a bright, hazy light source, possibly the sun or moon, creating a dreamlike atmosphere. The overall scene suggests a heavenly or otherworldly realm.

Who will be in Heaven?

**Only those who
truly want to be
there**

*God wants **everyone**
to be there*



This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, **who desires all people to be saved** and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

A floating island with a castle on top, set against a cloudy sky. The island is dark and rocky, with a large, ornate castle featuring a tall spire and many windows. The castle is illuminated with a warm, golden light. The island appears to be floating in a sky filled with soft, white clouds.

1 tim
2:3-4

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, **not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.**



*God wants **you**
to be there*



*You **can** be there, if you
really want to be there*



“Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, “**Strive** to enter through the narrow door. For **many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.**”

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luke
13:23-24

“Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, **Strive** to enter through the narrow door. For **many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.”**



luke
13:23-24

You decide whether you
will be in heaven.



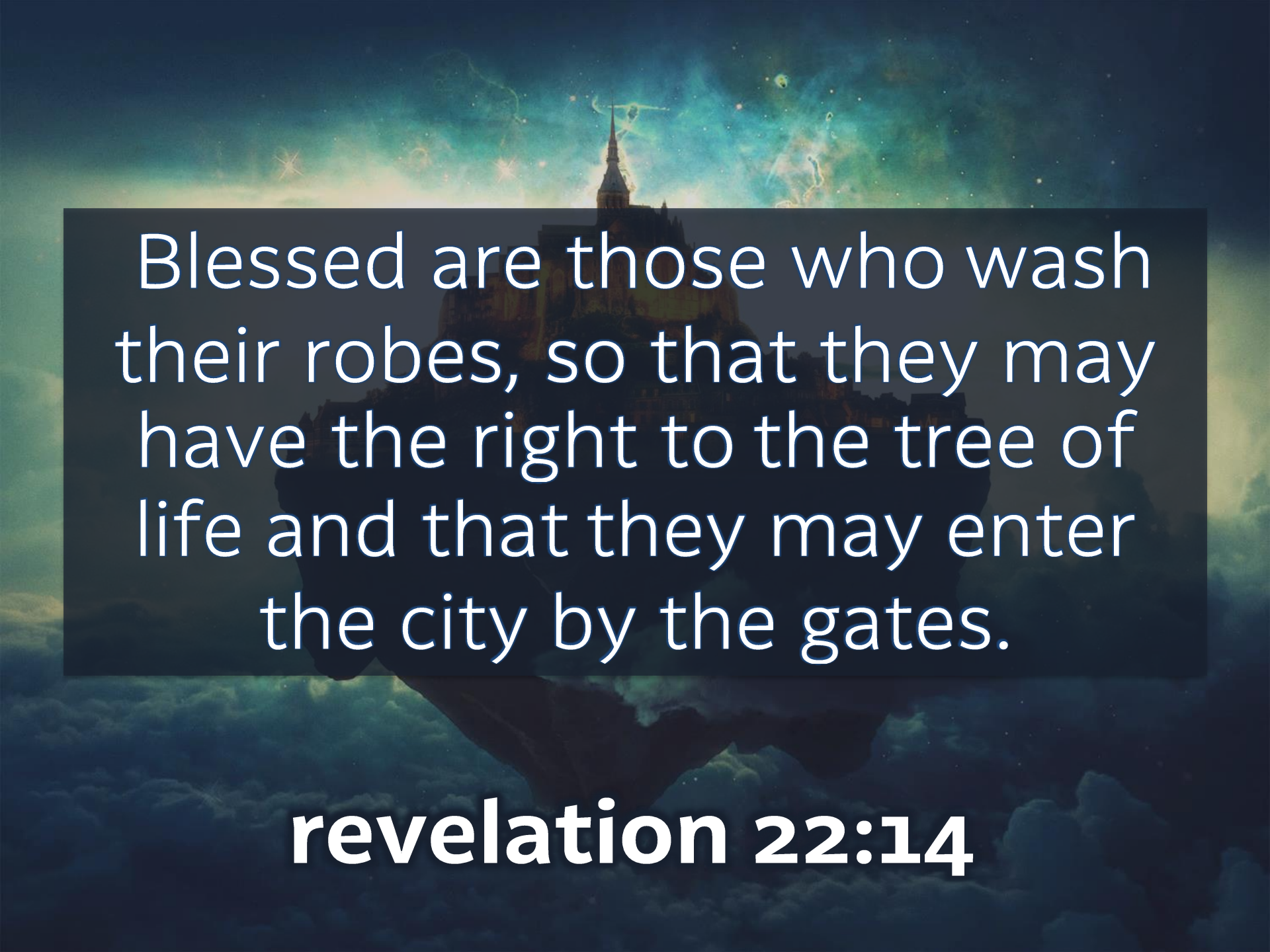
It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. **Since you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life,** behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.



acts
13:46


The choice is yours.



A celestial scene featuring a dark, rocky island floating in a vast, green and blue nebula. A city with a prominent spire is visible on the island. The background is filled with stars and cosmic dust.

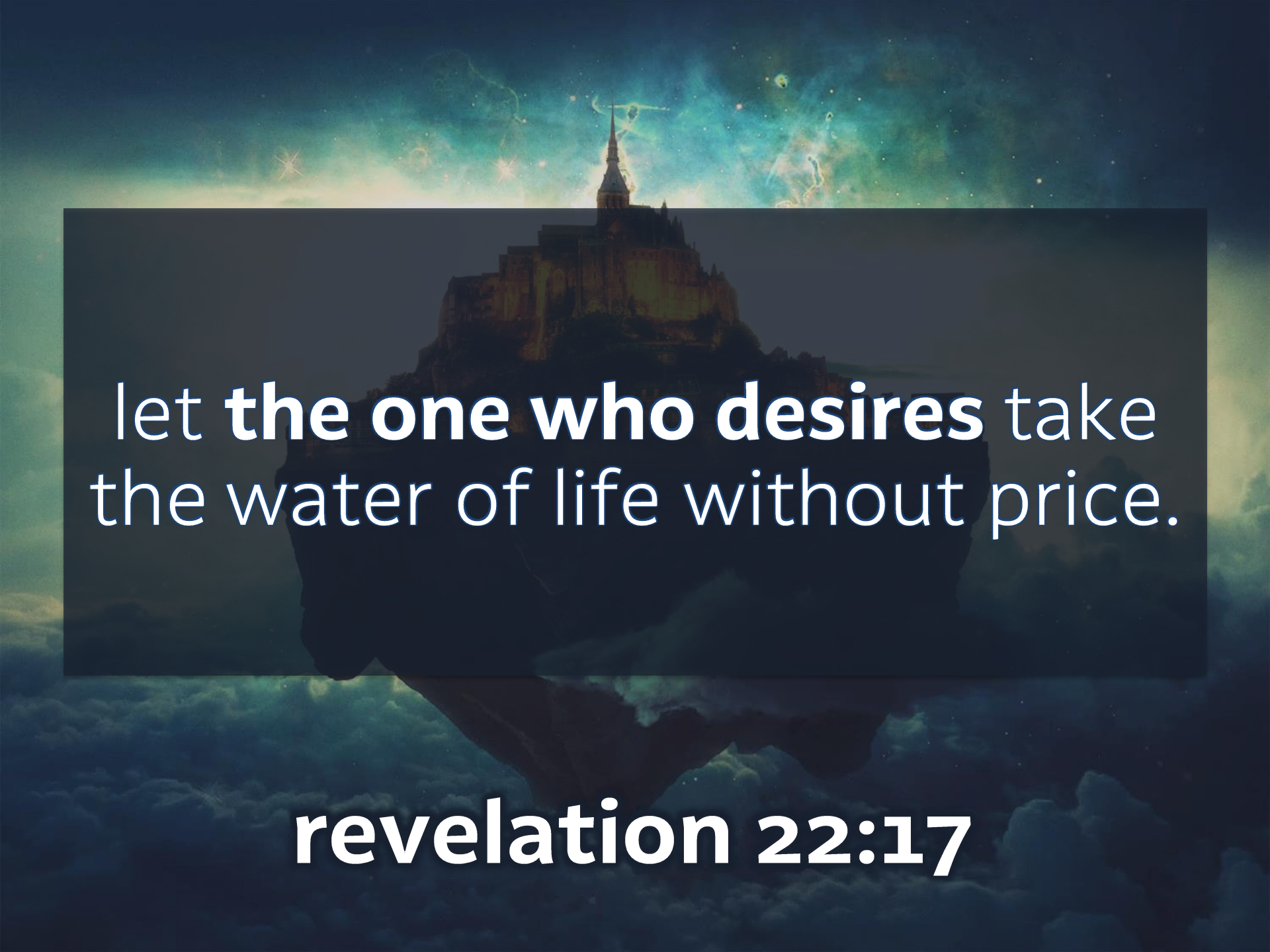
Blessed are those who wash
their robes, so that they may
have the right to the tree of
life and that they may enter
the city by the gates.

revelation 22:14



The Spirit and the Bride say,
“Come.” And let the one
who hears say, “Come.”
And let the one who
is thirsty come

revelation 22:17

The background of the image is a cosmic scene. At the top, a vibrant green and blue nebula or galaxy is visible against a dark sky. Below this, a dark, jagged island floats in the air. On top of the island sits a large, ancient-looking castle with multiple towers and a prominent spire. The island and castle are reflected in a layer of dark, swirling clouds at the bottom of the image. A semi-transparent dark rectangle is centered over the image, containing white text.

let **the one who desires** take
the water of life without price.

revelation 22:17