

C05-7-1 We're in BIG Trouble! New Jerusalem DSS

We're in big trouble. We had thought that New Jerusalem was a cube. We thought that it was huge, 2,400 miles. We thought that it was 12,000 stadia, but it's not. In this video we're going to discuss how New Jerusalem is measured by a reed, not a stadia.

I am going to retrace myself to show how we have come to this. We are very excited but it means that the size of New Jerusalem instead of being 2,400 miles is 28.8 miles, significantly less than what we thought. That is why we are in big trouble because New Jerusalem is going to be a whole lot smaller than what people think.

Let's go to Revelation 21. We begin to get the measurements of New Jerusalem in Revelation 21. There is an angel, one of the seven angels, that is speaking to John. Verse 15, [and he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, the gates and the walls](#). He had a reed, a golden reed, to measure the city. He is measuring the city with what? A reed. The gates and the walls, he is measuring them with a reed. Then it says, verse 16, [the city lies foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed](#). Now the Interlinear says, with the reed at stadia, 12,000. What does it mean? A reed? He measured it with a reed. He said he measured it with the reed, the city, the gates and the wall with the reed, and it's 12,000.

Now it's not 12,000 stadia. It's 12,000 reeds, a reed at stadia. That's what the Interlinear says. And it says the length, breadth, and height are equal. What we thought is that it was, this is what we thought, everybody thought this as well, it's not just me, that the dimensions were a cube because its height and its breadth and width was equal, meaning that the distance from one to each is the same distance. But that's not what it is because if it's 12,000 reeds, 12,000 reeds divide by 83.33 reeds in a stadia means that the length of New Jerusalem is 144 stadia and the height of the wall then is 144 cubits.

It's not that the distance is equal, it's the number is equal. I hope you understand that. So that the distance it's not a perfect cube. What it is, is the length is equal to its height, the number is equal. What's the number? 144. It's 144 stadia, a perfect square and then the height of the wall is 144 cubits.

Now let's take a look at how we can prove this and you have to be patient with me because I spent years and years in this and you want me to give it to you in five minutes. I'm going to give it to you very shortly, but it's very important that you understand.

What is going on is the angel is actually representing two measurements. One of them is a reed and one of them is a stadia. The way we know this is through Ezekiel 40. What I'm going to do is I'm going to demonstrate this and show it to you.

What is going on is we have an angel, that is one of the seven angels that has the seven bowls, appearing to John. We have another angel that appears to the prophet Ezekiel. With each of the angels what we can see is that they have two things. They have a reed, which is like a walking stick or a staff, in Greek [kalamos](#). Then they have something called a line.

Now when we see the seven angels, they are described in Revelation 15, and when they are described you'll see that they had a girdle going around the chest. That is what this is kind of representing with a belt. They have this sash and we might call it a belt. The word in Greek is belt.



When we see the angel with Ezekiel in Ezekiel chapter 40 verse 3 he has two things. He has a reed and he has a belt. Your English translation will say line but if you look at the word in Hebrew it's a belt.

What is the point? The point is you actually have two different measurements. You have a reed measurement and you have a stadia measurement. Why is the belt a stadia? The reason the belt is a stadia is because the angel uses the line to measure the distance of the river and the distance he measures is a thousand cubits. What is that? That is two lines. It's two lines because each belt or line is 500 cubits. What is the distance of a reed? The distance of a reed is six cubits so the reed is a smaller measure. The belt, or the line, is a larger measurement, 500 cubits. For example, the whole temple complex is measured by 500 cubits. That's how we know what this is.

What's happening is the angel that is appearing to John, one of the seven angels, he has a girdle and that girdle is to measure a stadia. Now he has a reed at stadia so it doesn't mean he is measuring 12,000 stadia. He's not measuring 12,000 stadia. He told us that he's measuring 12,000 reeds. This is a huge difference as you can see. A reed is six cubits and a line is 500 cubits.

The reason we thought New Jerusalem was 2,400 miles is because we thought it was 12,000 lines, 12,000 stadia, but it's not. It is 12,000 reeds making it significantly smaller than what we had seen. Our challenge was in the translation into English in Revelation 21 but when we really look at the Greek this is 144 stadia.

The other way we came about this understanding is through the New Jerusalem scroll in the Dead Sea scrolls. What is that? Basically we were going through some scrolls of the Dead Sea and we were looking at one, and I came across a website and on the website it had listed some other scrolls and one of them was called New Jerusalem. This is puzzling to us because we get New Jerusalem with apostle John in the book of Revelation. The Dead Sea scrolls are predating this. This is going to be approximately a hundred years before Christ. There are seven documents of something called New Jerusalem, we call it New Jerusalem, scholars call it New Jerusalem, that existed before apostle John is shown the New Jerusalem that we know about in the book of Revelation.

When I looked at it I began to realise that what's happening is not something new. When John is seeing Revelation and he is seeing everything in the book of Revelation we could see all of that in the

Old Testament. We could also see that when he is showing us New Jerusalem, the New Jerusalem in the Dead Sea scrolls, it is 140 stadia. I saw that and I was like 140 stadia, wait a minute, and then I went back over and I rehearsed Revelation 21 and that's when I began to realise it is not 12,000 lines or 12,000 stadia, it's 12,000 reeds. Yes, because what John is seeing is very similar to something called the New Jerusalem in the Dead Sea scrolls.

When it comes to reading the Dead Sea scrolls one of the things that I would recommend is this book called, 'The Complete Dead Sea Scrolls in English, revised edition'. You can get it in a PDF file. It's not complete but it's going to include all the major documents that are in the Dead Sea scrolls. On this channel we have used the calendar, we have used the war scroll and we have done the songs of the Sabbath sacrifice. The Dead Sea scrolls have been highly influential.

We just know that in the end of days we would have to have another revival of knowledge, knowledge increase, like it said in Daniel. That happened at Christ's first coming in our view with the community in Qumran. We believe it happens again in the latter days.

Now the document we are going to work on, we're not going to go through the whole study I have, this is the beginning of a series. We'll have to break this down. Basically there's a document in the Dead Sea scrolls called 4Q 554. That's the cave, cave number 4, Q means Qumran 4. Scholars have called it New Jerusalem. You can read the whole thing. We have it here, but you can read the whole thing in this book, The Complete Dead Sea Scrolls in English. To summarise the Dead Sea scrolls New Jerusalem, we do have a structure of a city. It has similar things to Ezekiel but it's much larger than the Ezekiel temple.

There's another thing in the Dead Sea scrolls called the Temple scroll and the Temple scroll is similar to Ezekiel's temple, but it's larger and includes a lot more details. The New Jerusalem scroll and information is not as exact as the Temple scroll. It's much larger and there are seven fragments. That's how the Dead Sea scrolls are, they are fragments. They are not complete books. They are in various stages of repair. We have elements, similar things in the Temple scroll. It does not describe a temple, just like New Jerusalem does not describe a temple. It has 12 gates of the 12 tribes of the children of Israel. It has a distance of one of its walls as 140 stadia. It has a river or a spring just like New Jerusalem. There are a lot of elements in the New Jerusalem in the Dead Sea scrolls that apostle John sees in Revelation. That is a little bit of what we are getting into with this study.

What we have is we're basically explaining, as we said, the 12,000 is not stadia, it is reeds. 12,000 divided by 83.33 reeds in a stadia is equal to 144 stadia. This is huge. The height of the wall is 144 cubits.

$$12000 \text{ reeds} \div 83.333 \text{ reeds in stadia} = 144 \text{ stadia}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 12,000 \text{ reeds} \times 12.6 \text{ ft} &= 151,200 \text{ ft} \\ 151200 \div \text{stadia } 1050 &= 144 \text{ stadia line} \\ \text{Wall height } 144 \text{ cubits} \end{aligned}$$

How do we know that it is measuring reeds and not stadia? In the Interlinear, Revelation 21:16, [he measured the city with the reed at stadia, 12,000](#). As we said the stadia is the measuring line. [In his hand was a string measure of builders, and a reed measure](#). That's Ezekiel 40 verse 3 (ABP).

12,000 Reeds AT STADIA
Interlinear Rev 21:16 And he measured the city with the reed at stadia twelve thousand
...καλάμῳ ἐπὶ σταδίου δώδεκα χιλιάδων... (Rev 21:16, ABPGRK)
String/Line measures Stadia...and in his hand was a string measure of builders, and a reed measure.... (Eze 40:3, ABP)

Revelation 15:6, [the seven angels with the seven plagues, clothed in pure, bright line, with golden sashes](#), or belts, [zonas](#) in the Greek, [around their chests](#). That's what we demonstrated earlier. Revelation 21:9, [then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues](#). Verse 15, [the one who spoke with me had a measuring reed of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls](#). He's measuring with what? A reed, not a stadium.

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This is huge. We will do a whole series on this because there's a lot going on. For time sake, I'll just show you a couple things.

How do we know there are 500 cubits in a stadium? This is Ezekiel 47:3, [when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured 1,000 cubits](#). 1,000 cubits. What he's doing is he's using a measuring line and he's measuring 1,000 cubits and what that is, it's two measuring lines because there are 500 in each measuring line. We have that elsewhere in this document, but we're going to move through this quickly.

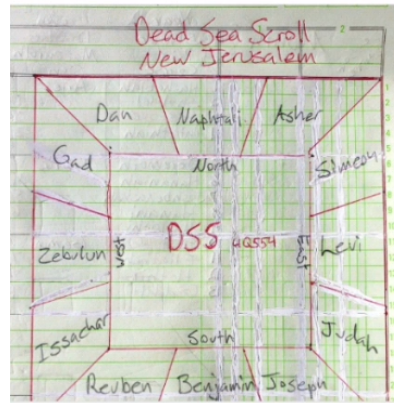
Measuring Line/Belt is a Stadia = here 2 Lines 500 cubits = 1000 cubits
[Ezk 47:3](#) Going on eastward with a measuring line in his hand, the man measured a thousand cubits,

This is a summary of the perimeter of the New Jerusalem city in the Dead Sea Scrolls. The document is called 4Q554 and it's just a summary where it has 140 stadia on the east wall and west wall. It's 100 stadia on the north and south.

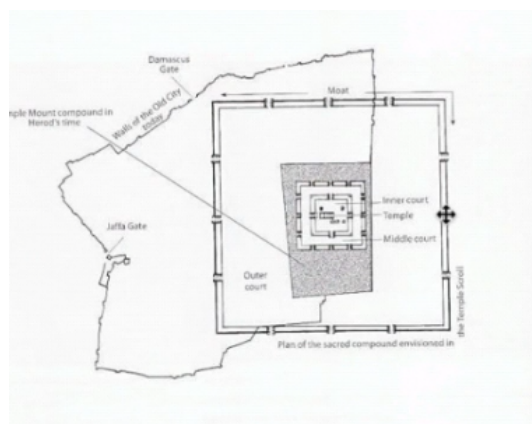
perimeter of the New Jerusalem city (per 4Q554)
140 stadia East wall (4 x 35 stadia)
140 stadia West wall (4 x 35 stadia)
100 stadia North wall (4 x 25 stadia)
100 stadia South wall (4 x 25 stadia)

It is not a perfect square, it is a rectangle, but this is the aspect of what John is seeing because he sees something and it's 144 stadia and it is equal to the height and the breadth and width. Now the equal is that the number is equal. The number is 144 as the height of the wall and the distance of its breadth and width.

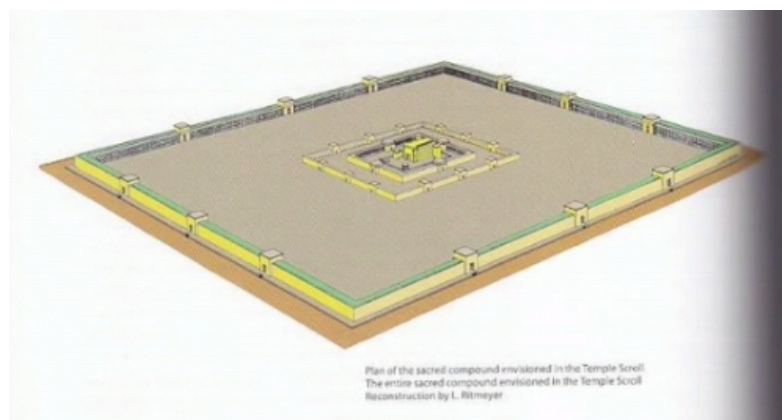
Another aspect of what we have from the Dead Sea Scrolls is we also have the 12 tribes of the children of Israel in the cardinal points. What we're getting here is they don't list all the tribes but we're getting that information by combining what we see in this document with New Jerusalem and the Dead Sea Scrolls with the Temple Scroll. The Temple scroll has something similar.



Now in the Temple Scroll they have a bigger temple and a bigger city that goes around it.

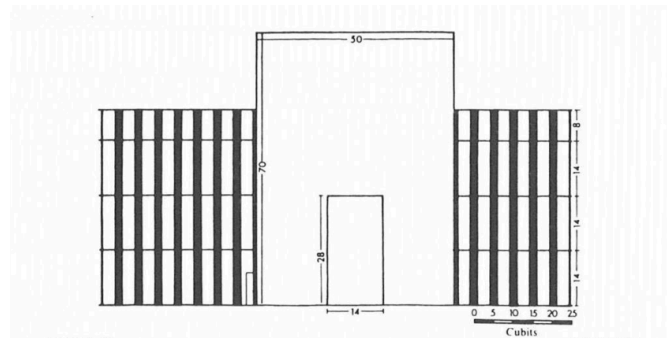


Someone else has gone about rendering that as we can see here. You have the outer wall and then you have the 12 gates of the 12 tribes of Israel, and there's a temple.



Now we know that New Jerusalem has no temple, but it does have a wall and it does have a city inside. What we're getting at is the Temple Scroll, which this is, is not what we're using. We're not

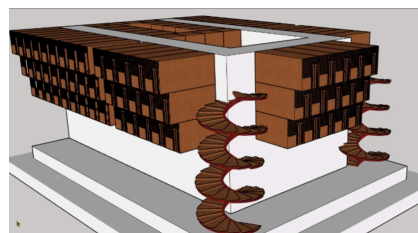
using that in its entirety. We're going to use little pieces of information that we don't have on the New Jerusalem, little things like the gates. Here's a gate, 70 cubits high by 50 cubits.



We have lots of things here. There are going to be things that we're going to show you in future videos, but there are things that are like the Ezekiel temple where it has city blocks. These are the 30 chambers. It's got things like that.



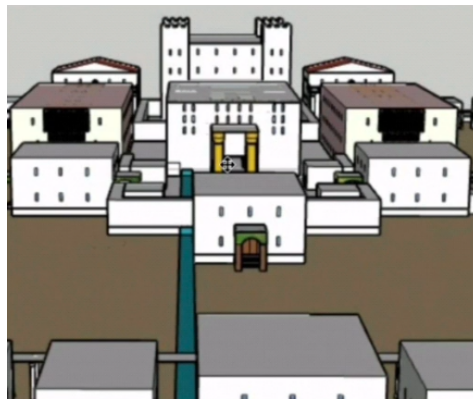
There are a lot of things we're going to get to in future videos. Be patient with us. It's got very large streets. It's got spiral staircases and in the temple we have spiral staircases. They also exist in the Dead Sea Scrolls New Jerusalem.



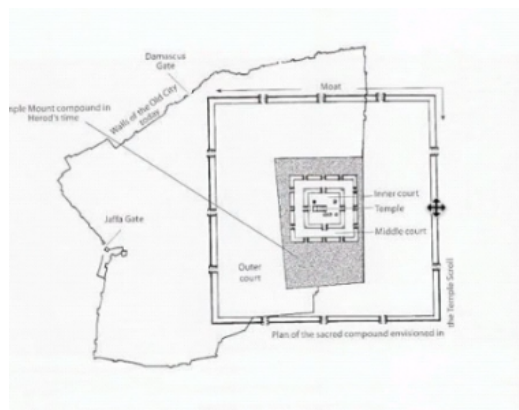
We have many, many parallels. Also dining halls and just amazing things. They have the gemstones. They're attributing the gemstones to the wall, electrum, sapphire, chalcedony. Just like there are 12 gemstones at each foundation, they have very similar elements in the Dead Sea Scrolls, New Jerusalem document to that which Apostle John sees.



There's a spring. Here we're showing in Ezekiel temple the spring that comes out from the temple. It's in this document as well. In New Jerusalem there is a spring issuing forth.



This is huge. This is of course tremendously exciting. It's a narrow road. This is going to be a whole lot smaller than what we think. I can't really render it to you. Here's the old city of Jerusalem. It's very small. This is like two miles or something at the most. It's not much.



It's a new heavens and earth. We don't even know where this is going to go. Is this going to go in Jerusalem? Maybe. Maybe. That's where it has always been. Since David brought the ark of the covenant into Jerusalem, Jerusalem has been the capital city, but it's a new heavens and new earth so we can't really say.

Let's say the temple is in the old city of Jerusalem. The wall does not like look like this. It's going to go 28.8 miles in each direction. I mean not each direction but its full length is 28.8 miles. That means

it's to the east 14.4 miles, to the north 14.4 miles, to the south 14.4 miles and to the west 14.4 miles. That's it. It's bigger than this but it's a lot smaller than 2,400 miles.

This is an intro video. Yes, we're in big trouble. This is much smaller than what we thought. This is all a lot to absorb. How could the community in Qumran know about New Jerusalem before Christ? That's what we're saying. Yes. We do know that John the Baptist may have been associated with the Qumran community. Some believe he was raised there where he grew up in the wilderness and he was raised there. His parents had brought him there as a child and he lived in that community, was raised as a child there and then he left. Others believe that John the Baptist went there and he didn't complete his time and then he had his calling and he left and he went baptizing for Christ.

Either way, we know that the apostle Andrew was an apostle of John the Baptist and another of Christ's apostles was with him. We don't know which one. The idea of New Jerusalem may have been known to the apostles through John the Baptist. John the Baptist was there. They would have known about this. There's reason and precedence that most of the Jewish community at the time of Christ was aware of many of these ideas.

What I want to do is, as I conclude the video, I want to show you an example. When I went to Qumran they had a little video presentation to make a case for John the Baptist being in the Qumran community because someone raises the name John who was beheaded, his head was cut off by Herod, he raises the issue to the teacher of righteousness. He asks was this person John in our community.

This is a huge discovery as we said and we are just at the beginning of this. We have a long way to go and we have a whole lot more to share with you. We have this document called New Jerusalem, the Dead Sea Scrolls. There's another document which basically talks about the twelve apostles. The twelve apostles are the gemstones and the foundation, precious stones to the community. This is amazing. They knew about New Jerusalem. They knew about the twelve apostles before the time of Christ, one century before Christ.

It's going to take some time but what we want to do is render this. We're going to have a series of videos following explaining this to you that New Jerusalem, is being shown by apostle John as it was shown to the community in Qumran in a similar fashion.

There are specifics if you get the document and read it. As we said, there are the 12 foundations and we have the 12 tribes of the children of Israel at the 12 gates. We have the precious stones and they give us specific buildings and streets and blocks and many details. We hope to put that into the 3D program and put that in a way that we can represent it to you and can show you it, because we can't find anybody else that did this. This is something that scholars knew about but it is not something well known. It's pretty simple. As long as you know what a reed is and you know what a stadia is, it is New Jerusalem.

This is huge news. We have a lot of work to do. We have a lot to share with you. It's quite exciting for me. It's a little bit overwhelming, but this is it. This is the real New Jerusalem and we're going to have a playlist. We have many other videos on New Jerusalem describing its various aspects, but we had that with the larger measurement. There's going to be a whole lot more to this than you realize.

Holiness and many, many things that Christ is doing. It's very specific. He's holy. He's coming and the way is narrower than what we thought. 28 miles is all saints since the history of all humankind, all of them are only fit into a small city.

Thanks for watching and we're continuing on our series on the camp of the saints. This is part of it. We will incorporate the twelve apostles as a part of this and bear with us. What you should do is you actually should check up on the previous messages. That'll be really helpful as we move into the New Jerusalem series. The twelve apostles will be part of the camp of the saints and they'll be part of New Jerusalem. Thanks for watching and many blessings to you and we'll see you soon.