

WHERE THE ROSES NEVER FADE.

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INTRO.:

A. Read the text: **Rev. 22:1-5.**

B. Regarding the text:

1. If someone were to describe the most beautiful, most wonderful place, how would they do that? A place you had never seen.
 - 1) How else could we “see” its beauty?
 - 2) They would use things of great value and beauty. Things we can understand.
2. John described Heaven in such a manner (**Rev. 22:1-5**).

C. The Roses Never Fade is an attempt to paint us a picture of a beautiful, never-ending place.

I. FIRST STANZA.

A. I am going to a city, Where the streets of gold are laid.

1. Heaven is a city at the end of the narrow way (**Matt. 7:14**).
2. Heaven is the city prepared for the saved (**John 14:1-3**).
3. Streets of gold describe the beauty and value of the eternal city (**2 Cor. 5:1**).

B. Where the tree of life is blooming, And the roses never fade.

1. The tree of life has moved from Eden to Heaven (**Gen. 3:22; Rev. 2:7**).
2. Who has the right to the Tree of Life (**Rev. 22:14**)? The Tree of Life is not available to the disobedient. Adam and Eve were removed from this tree.

II. SECOND STANZA.

A. In this world, we have our troubles, Satan’s snares we must avoid.

1. **Job 14:1-2**.
2. **Job 1:6-8; 2 Pet. 5:8**.

B. We’ll be free of all temptations, Where the roses never fade.

1. In this life, temptations are sure to come (**James 1:13-14**).
2. Wonderful to know that Heaven will be free from all difficulties (**Rev. 21:4**).
3. Things will never change in our heavenly home.

III. THIRD STANZA.

A. Loved ones gone to be with Jesus, In their robes of white arrayed.

1. A grand reunion: **2 Samuel 12:21-23; 1 Thess. 4:13-18**.
2. White robes: **Rev. 7:13-14**. How can blood cause robes to be white? (**Rev. 1:5**).

B. Now are waiting for my coming, Where the roses never fade.

IV. CHORUS.

A. Here they bloom but for a season, Soon their beauty is decayed.

1. Here, the roses bloom, then, in time, they fade away.
2. In Heaven, things do not die or fade away.

B. I am going to a city Where the roses never fade.

1. I have set my sights on the eternal city! Where beauty always reigns.
2. How can I get to that city? By obeying the gospel and keeping my robes white!

V. CONCLUSION:

A. With complete assurance, can we say I am going to a city where the roses never fade?

B. Obedience to His word is essential (Heb. 5:9**).**