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A black and white photograph capturing the lower legs and hooves of a horse in motion. The horse is running on a dirt path, and a significant amount of dust is being kicked up from its hooves, creating a hazy, dynamic atmosphere. The background is a bright, overexposed sky, and the foreground shows some sparse, dry vegetation.

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**We're outta here!**

# The Rapture

A man in a white shirt and dark pants stands on a grassy field with his arms outstretched, looking towards the sky. The background is a cloudy sky.

An ungodly world  
on the brink of  
judgement whilst a  
godly remnant  
looks for Christ's  
return.

# Will there be a Rapture?

- The Rapture is quite impossible to believe, IF it weren't in the scriptures! What is it?
- So are the Virgin birth, Resurrections from the dead, walking on water, Sun standing still, healing Lepers . . .
- Other words like "Trinity" are not in the Bible either

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# Will there be a Rapture?

- Other words like “Trinity” are not in the Bible either
- Key texts; 1 Thess 4:13-17; 1 Cor 15:1-57
- The World mocks us for belief in it

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If you're ever feeling really stupid,  
just remember, some people are  
waiting for this to happen.



**God raptures the faithful**

...taking all the religious people away to heaven



**suddenly...**



**Peace on Earth**

# HEY CHRISTIANS!

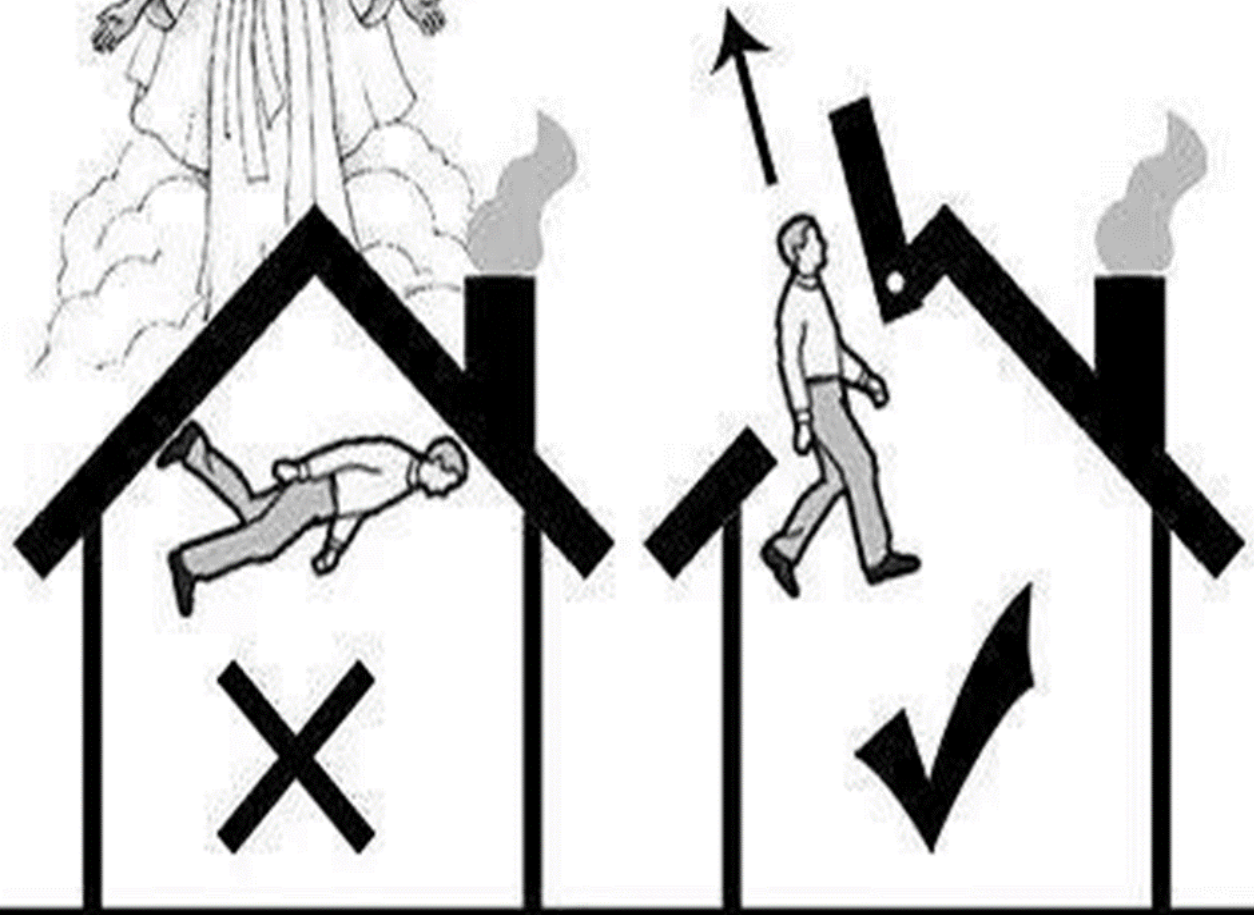
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still think we all should get a bunch of blowup dolls and helium to freak out the people waiting for the rapture



Pretty sure the rapture has been on a slow burn since January 🙄

# After The Rapture Pet Care™

## Be Prepared for the Care of Your Pet™





# Don't be left behind

- **The Rapture emphasizes Imminency! Be ready always!**
  - **Have you been born again? Love Jesus?!**
  - **Are you seeking 1<sup>st</sup> His Kingdom? Be pure, hopeful**
- **It promises escape / rescue**
- **It signifies a substantive transition, repent!**

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# Don't be left behind

- It signifies a substantive transition, repent!
- It isn't completely unheard of; Enoch, Lot?, Elijah, Philip . . .
- It is all about faith seeking a better kingdom!

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The New Testament was written in Greek.

Rapture comes from the Greek word *harpazo* in  
I Thessalonians 4:17

Latin translates *harpazo*: “Rapture”  
English translates *harpazo*: “Caught Up”

Bottom line: whatever you call the event, it's biblical!

1Th 4:13-16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of [the] archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who remain, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

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## **THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MISSING! --- White House Blames Terrorist Group!**

### **Tiger Woods Hits New Record!**

Nothing can stop this dynamic golfer from breaking new records. Last night in Atlanta, Tiger Woods set an all time record... more on page 4.

### **Top religious Leaders Say This is Not the Biblically Prophesied Rapture!**

#### **Religious Professor at Berkley University says Rapture a Myth!**

AP NEWS — Professor Watkins from Berkley University, and a team of 3rd year seminary grad students, recently completed a lengthy research project, revealing that the commonly held notion of the Rapture actually originated in ancient folklore and mythology.

Dr. Watkins—"Many of today's top religious experts agree"

VATICAN CITY—Religious leaders from across the world will gather today in the Holy City, for a time of unity and love amongst different faiths. Vatican officials said yesterday that the world's top religious leaders want to assure followers that the disappearance of thousands of people has nothing to do with religion. Though some have speculated if this could be the Rapture spoken of in a few antiquated Bible versions, the majority of religious leaders we spoke with today laughed at the notion. "People aren't as naïve as they used to be,"



This was the scene hours ago, as millions of Catholics gather in the Holy City to hear the Pope's message of comfort. Several of our callers expressed great relief in knowing that the Pope is still with us, one man saying, "If the Pope is here, we know all will be well" ... more on page 2.



**IN A MOMENT....WE SHALL BE CHANGED**

**1 COR 15:52**

# PHASES OF THE SECOND COMING

Rapture

SEVENTIETH WEEK OF DANIEL

Second Advent



*Seven-Year Tribulation Period*



## RAPTURE PASSAGES

## SECOND COMING PASSAGES

John 14:1-3	2 Thessalonians 2:1
Romans 8:19	1 Timothy 6:14
1 Corinthians 1:7-8	2 Timothy 4:1
1 Corinthians 15:51-53	2 Timothy 4:8
1 Corinthians 16:22	Titus 2:13
Philippians 3:20-21	Hebrews 9:28
Philippians 4:5	James 5:7-9
Colossians 3:4	1 Peter 1:7, 13
1 Thessalonians 1:10	1 Peter 5:4
1 Thessalonians 2:19	1 John 2:28-3:2
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Jude 21
1 Thessalonians 5:9	Revelation 2:25
1 Thessalonians 5:23	Revelation 3:10

Daniel 2:44-45	Acts 1:9-11
Daniel 7:9-14	Acts 3:19-21
Daniel 12:1-3	1 Thessalonians 3:13
Zechariah 12:10	2 Thessalonians 1:6-10
Zechariah 14:1-15	2 Thessalonians 2:8
Matthew 13:41	1 Peter 4:12-13
Matthew 24:15-31	2 Peter 3:1-14
Matthew 26:64	Jude 14-15
Mark 13:14-27	Revelation 1:7
Mark 14:62	Revelation 19:11-20:6
Luke 21:25-28	Revelation 22:7, 12, 20

# How to distinguish between *Rapture* vs. *Return*

As prophesied, the Lord Jesus is coming again. First in the sky for Rapture, and again seven years later to defeat Satan and rule as King of the Earth from Jerusalem. The simplest way to distinguish between scriptures about the Rapture and the Second Coming of Christ, is to determine if the verse in question is referring to the Lord coming "for" His saints (I Thes 4:16), or "with" His saints (I Thes 3:13). Here is a list (not exhaustive) of the differences in the two events:

## Rapture/ Translation

1. Translation of all believers.
2. Translated go to heaven.
3. Earth not judged.
4. Any moment, signless.
5. Not in the Old Testament.
6. Affects believers only.
7. Before the day of wrath.
8. No reference to Satan.
9. Comes "for" His own.
10. He comes in the air.
11. He claims His bride.
12. Only His own see Him.
13. Tribulation begins.
14. A mystery.

## 2nd Coming/ Established Kingdom

1. No translation.
2. Translated saints return to earth.
3. Earth judged/righteousness established.
4. Follows definite predicted signs.
5. Predicted often in the Old Testament.
6. Affects all men.
7. Concluding the day of wrath.
8. Satan bound.
9. Comes "with" His own.
10. He comes to the earth.
11. He comes with His bride.
12. Every eye will see Him.
13. Millennial kingdom begins.
14. Predicted.

## Rapture Verses:

John 14:1-3; Receive you to Myself  
 Rom 8:19; Revealing of God  
 I Cor 1:7-8; Revelation of God  
 I Cor 15:51-53; Mystery, twinkling of an eye  
 I Cor 16:22; Come quickly Lord  
 Phil 3:20,21; Receive body like Jesus'  
 Phil 4:5; The Lord is near  
 Col 3:4; Christ revealed  
 I Thes 1:10; Rescued from wrath  
 I Thes 2:19; In presence of Jesus  
 I Thes 4:13-18; Meet the Lord in the air  
 I Thes 5:9; Not destined for wrath  
 I Thes 5:23; Without blame  
 II Thes 2:1; Gather together to Him  
 II Thes 2:3; Apostasy comes first  
 I Tim 6:14; Appearing of Jesus  
 II Tim 4:1; His appearing  
 II Tim 4:8; Love His appearing  
 Titus 2:13; He redeems us  
 Heb 9:28; We eagerly await Him  
 James 5:7-9; Coming of Lord is near  
 I Pet 1:7,13; The revelation  
 I Pet 5:4; Shepherd appears  
 I John 2:28-3:2; When He appears  
 Jude 21; We wait anxiously  
 Rev 2:25; Until He comes  
 Rev 3:10; Keep from the hour of testing

## Second Coming verses:

Ezek 21:27; He comes Whose right it is  
 Dan 2:44,45; Kingdom endures forever  
 Dan 7:9-14; Kingdom never destroyed  
 Dan 12:1-3; Time of distress  
 Zech 2:10; Will dwell in our midst  
 Zech 12:10; Him Whom they pierced  
 Zech 13:9; Jews call on Jesus  
 Zech 14:1-15; All nations against Jerusalem  
 Zech 14:4; Stands on Mt. of Olives  
 Zech 14:5; Holy Ones come with Him  
 Zech 14:9; King over earth  
 Mal 3:1; Comes to His temple  
 Matt 13:41; Angels gather offenders  
 Matt 24:15-31; Great tribulation  
 Matt 26:64; Jesus comes in the clouds  
 Mark 13:14-27; Time of Tribulation  
 Mark 14:62; Right hand of power  
 Luke 21:25-28; Signs in sun, moon, stars  
 Acts 1:9-11; Jesus will come in the sky  
 Acts 3:19-21; Time of refreshing  
 I Thes 3:13; Comes with His saints  
 II Thes 1:6-10; Revealed from heaven  
 II Thes 2:8; Jesus defeats Satan  
 I Pet 4:12,13; We rejoice at His coming  
 II Pet 3:1-14; Day of God  
 Jude 14,15; Lord comes with holy ones  
 Rev 1:7; Every eye will see Him  
 Rev 19:11-20; Heavenly armies with Him  
 Rev 20:1-6; Binds Satan  
 Rev 22:7,12,20; I Am coming





# **“Caught up” detailed “Rapture”**


- Lord Himself descends
- With a shout, trumpet
- The dead in Christ, rise 1<sup>st</sup>
- We who are alive . . .  
“caught up together with them”
- “in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air”
- Hope, Comfort, with Lord!
- The twinkling of an eye
- We will be changed, like HIM

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# **“Caught up” detailed “Rapture”**

- **Thief in the night, Alert!**
- **We will escape! Rescued**
- **They will NOT escape**
- **Not destined us for wrath**
- **Come up here!**  
**Immediately!**

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**Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be  
accounted worthy to escape all these things**

Luke 21:36

# FIVE DIFFERENT VIEWS ON THE RAPTURE

Basic definitions of the most common beliefs about when the Rapture will happen.

## PRE-TRIBULATION

The Rapture will take place before the time of wrath (called the Tribulation) comes. The Church is removed from the whole period of Tribulation—the entire seven years.

## MID-TRIBULATION

The Rapture of Christians will take place at the midpoint of the seven-year Tribulation period (3 1/2 years).

## PARTIAL RAPTURE

Suggests multiple raptures that will occur throughout the Tribulation period based on the level of faithfulness of each person.

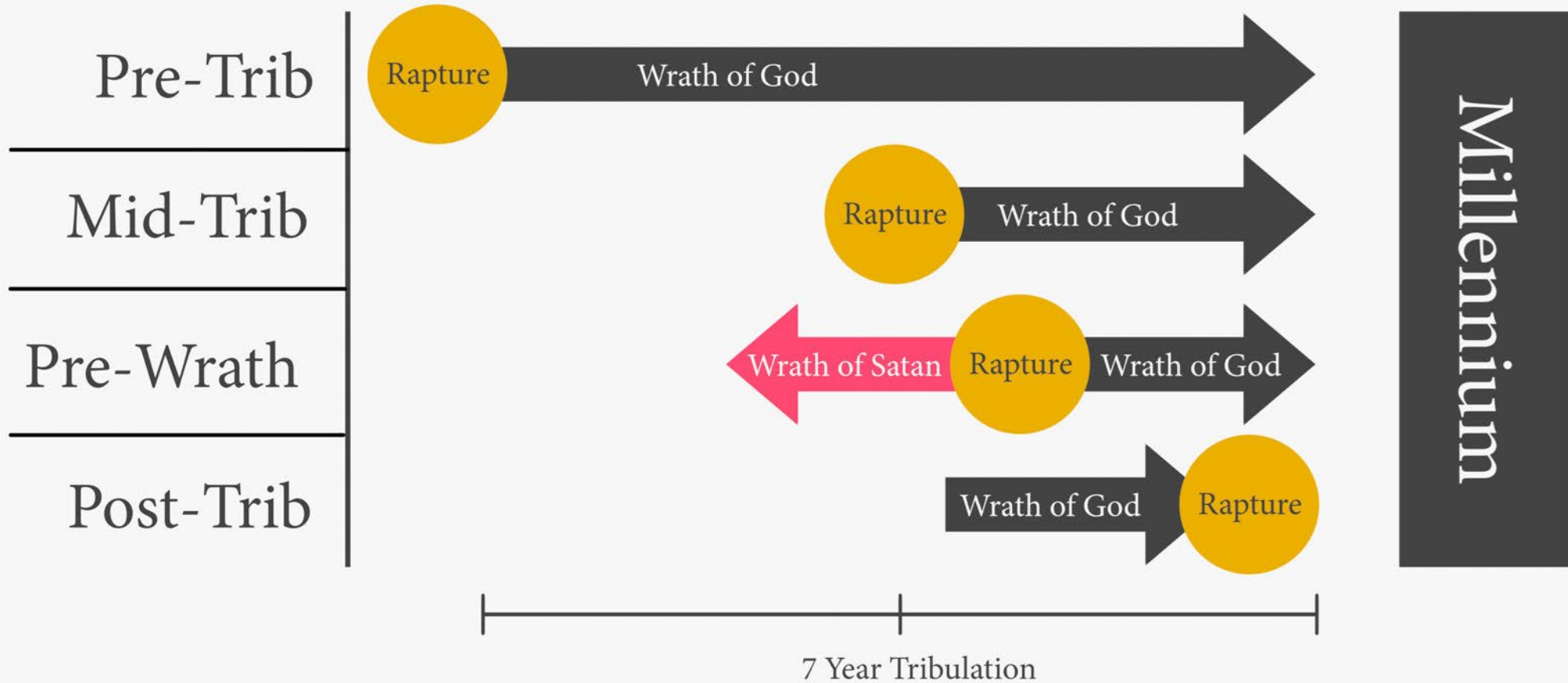
## PRE-WRATH

The Rapture will happen 5 1/2 years into the Tribulation period. This view places the Rapture of Christians between the sixth and seventh seals described in the book of Revelation.

## POST-TRIBULATION

The Church will go through the entire Tribulation, but be preserved from the wrath of God, the divine wrath, only to be taken up very quickly prior to the Second Coming of Christ to the earth and to meet Him in the air and come back to the earth with Him.

# 4 Views of the Timing of the Rapture



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming, landing on earth

- “they will look at Me whom they pierced”
- With a Cavalry in White
- Gathered Nations to War!
- Time of great tribulation, none like it ever before!
- Feet on Mt. Olives
- Armageddon full of blood
- Jesus retrieves His people from Mountains of Bozrah
- Like a thief, be ready!
- Jesus takes the Throne!
- The Beast is bound / Hell
- 1,000 years!

if the rapture was today  
how hard would God have to tug?

*Do not love the world or the things of the world. - 1st John 2:15*

# Reasons for a Rapture?

- The Restrainer is removed, age of the Holy Spirit
- The church is called up to Heaven, time of Gentiles
- The chosen People Israel are center stage again
- God has always made a distinction, protects His own!



# Reasons for a Rapture?

- God has always made a distinction, protects His own!
- It is a message sending Attention getter! Opening Salvo
- The Antichrist will likely use it to rise to power

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# Today's Church Wants To Be Raptured From Responsibility

Leonard Ravenhill

SO THE ISSUE FOR US IS:  
DO WE EAGERLY LONG  
FOR THE COMING  
OF CHRIST?

OR DO WE WANT HIM  
TO WAIT WHILE OUR LOVE  
AFFAIR WITH THE WORLD  
RUNS ITS COURSE?

JOHN PIPER

# Let's get "caught up" in this truth!

- All Christians should believe in a Rapture!  
Sometime!
- It is a promise of a better home!
- It is a reminder to be faithful until He comes,  
Watch!
- Many believe it is likely to come before the 7 year  
Tribulation!

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# Let's get "caught up" in this truth!

- Many believe it is likely to come before the 7 year Tribulation!
- No true Christian will ever face God's wrath!
- He will enable you to endure and / or escape!

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Then there will be two men in the field;  
one will be taken and one will be left.

Matthew 24:40



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RAPTURE

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A low-angle, close-up shot of a horse's legs and hooves as it runs across a field. The horse is moving from left to right, and its hooves are kicking up a cloud of dust or dirt. The background is a bright, hazy landscape with some sparse vegetation. The overall tone is light and airy.

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**RISE!**

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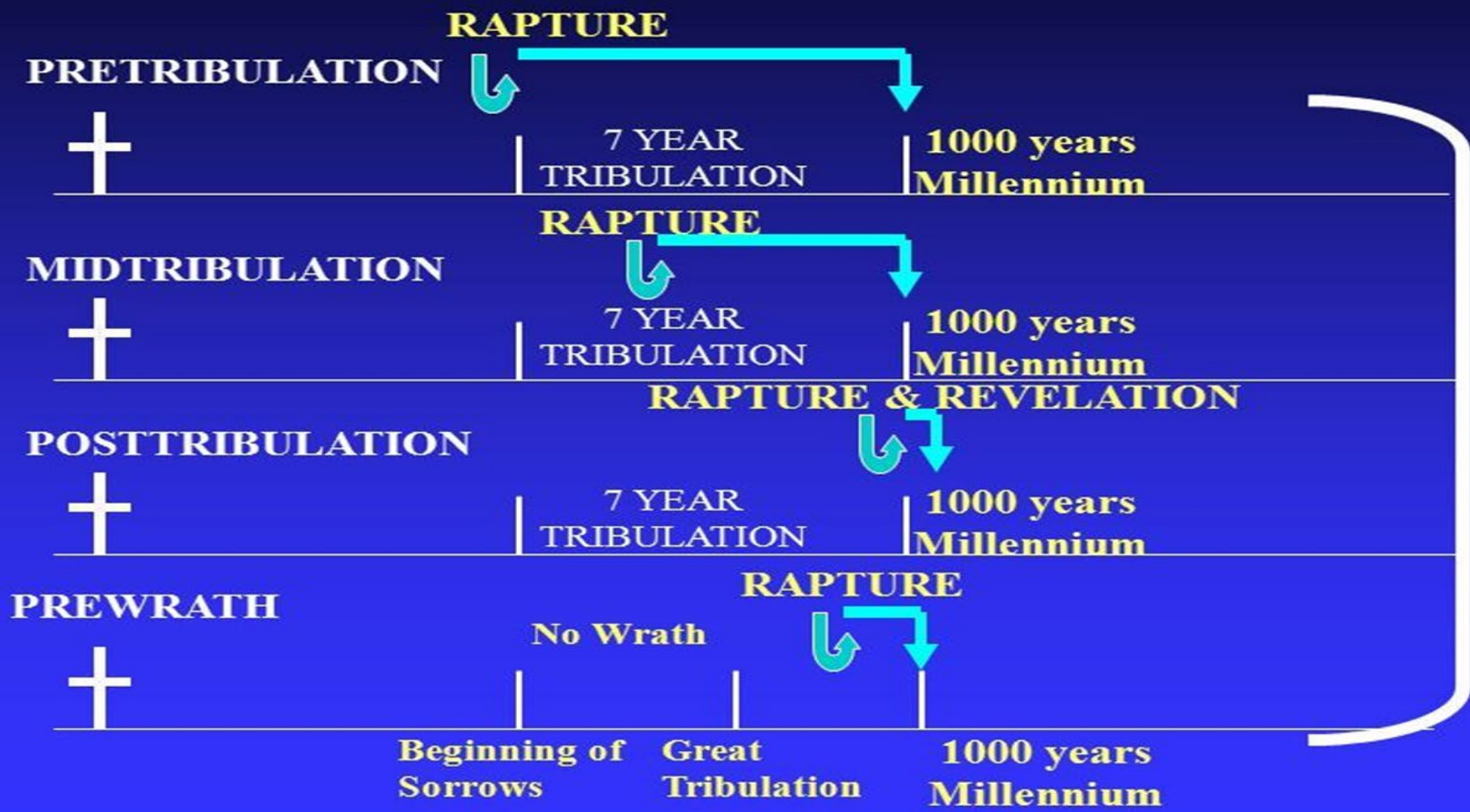








# RAPTURE VIEW COMPARISION



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THEREFORE BE ON THE ALERT, FOR YOU  
DO NOT KNOW WHICH DAY YOUR LORD IS COMING.

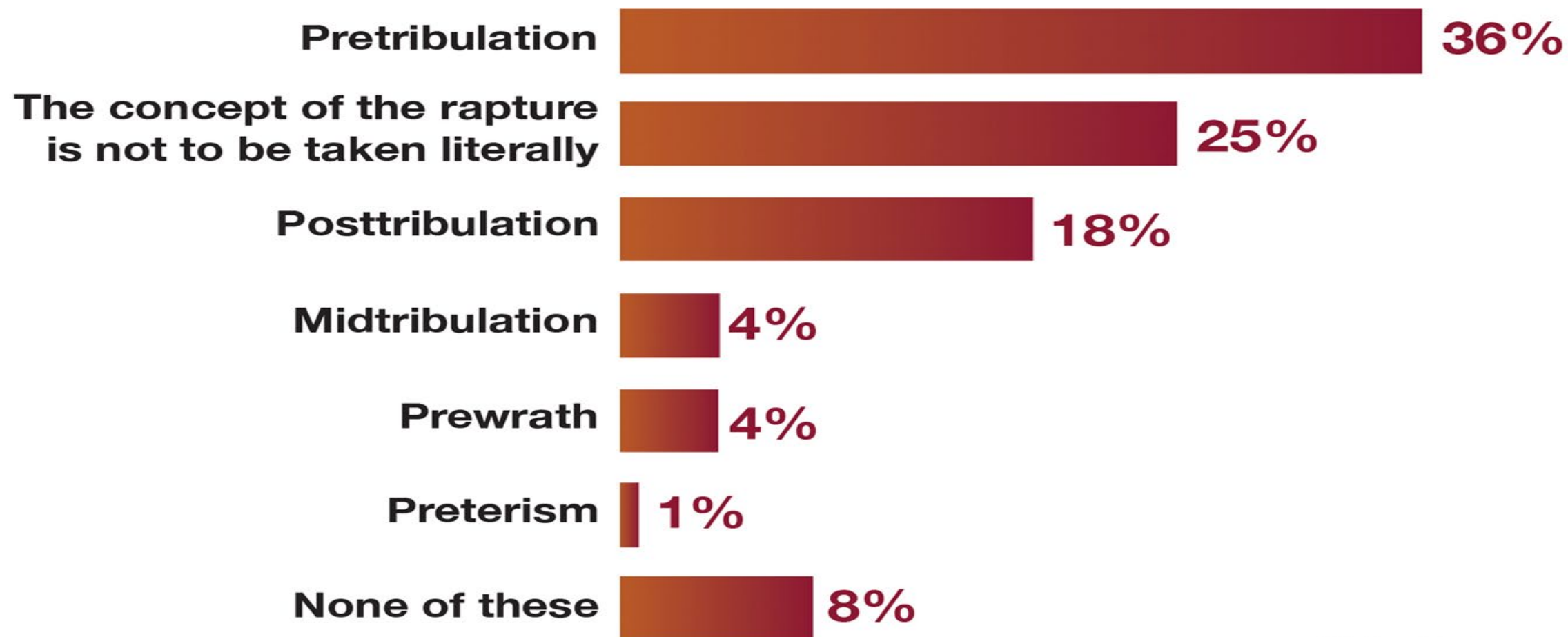
MATTHEW 24:42



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*Among Protestant Pastors:*

## Which of the following statements best describes your views on when the biblical rapture will occur?



*Note: Not sure 4%*

	<b>Dispensational Premillennialism</b>	<b>Historical Premillennialism</b>	<b>Amillennialism</b>	<b>Postmillennialism</b>
<b>Will Jesus return physically?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>When will Jesus return?</b>	After a 7-year tribulation; before the millennium.	After a 7-year tribulation; before the millennium.	Anytime; a detailed time frame is not important.	After the millennium.
<b>Do the rapture and second coming of Christ occur at the same time?</b>	No, they are events separated by either 7 years (pre-tribulation rapture) or 3½ years (mid-tribulation rapture).	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Will there be a great tribulation?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	The tribulation occurs any time Christians are persecuted or wars and disasters occur.	The tribulation is the conflict between good and evil since Jesus' death and resurrection.
<b>Will Christians suffer during the tribulation?</b>	Christians are either raptured before the tribulation (pre-tribulation rapture) or 3½ years into the tribulation (mid-tribulation rapture).	Yes, Christians will go through the tribulation and endure suffering and persecution for the cause of Christ.	Yes, Christians will suffer and endure persecution until Jesus returns; persecution will increase in the end.	Yes, Christians are called to share the gospel, and tribulation will occur when that gospel is opposed.

AT ITS CORE, CHRISTIANITY SEEKS THE END OF THE WORLD.  
THE END OF OUR SPECIES... **THE RAPTURE.**

WERE THAT DAY TO COME, THAT WOULD MEAN THAT WHILE  
MILLIONS OF CHRISTIANS WOULD ASCEND TO "HEAVEN"

...THE **BILLIONS** OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE UP THE REST OF THE HUMAN  
RACE WOULD BE LEFT BEHIND TO EITHER "REPENT" AND AGREE TO  
LOVE THE CHRISTIAN GOD, OR BE DRAGGED AWAY SCREAMING TO



**BURN FOR ETERNITY IN THE FIRES OF HELL**  
**REGARDLESS OF HOW GOOD OR MORAL THEY WERE AS A PERSON.**

THIS IS NOT THE ACT OF AN ALL-LOVING GOD, IT'S **SICK.**

**FORCING PEOPLE TO LOVE YOU OR BE TORTURED  
FOR ETERNITY IS NOT LOVE, IT'S ABUSE.**

AND BEING OKAY WITH THE GENOCIDE OF BILLIONS OF  
YOUR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS SO LONG AS YOU GET TO  
PARADISE MAKES YOU AN IMMORAL SOCIOPATH...

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**IF JESUS RETURNS**



**KILL HIM AGAIN**



*ARE YOU READY FOR WHAT COMES NEXT?*

**NOW THE END BEGINS**





*But the key point for Paul here is the order of events when Jesus comes. The Thessalonians had come to believe that dying before the return of Jesus would involve some sort of*

*disadvantage in eternity, probably eternal physical separation from those who lived until Jesus' return.*



*In this text Paul assures the Thessalonians that the living believers do not "precede," or have any advantage over, the dead. The dead in Christ are the ones who rise first (see Rev. 20:4-6). That happens before the living ascend to meet Jesus in the air (1 Thess. 4:17). The righteous dead are resurrected and given immortality along with those who are alive when He returns.*



# THE RAPTURE

ARE YOU  
saved??

...YOU DON'T  
WANT TO BE  
"LEFT BEHIND?"

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a long, flowing white dress, is depicted floating in a dramatic, cloudy sky. She has her arms outstretched and her head tilted back, as if being caught up in the clouds. The background features a bright, glowing sun or moon partially obscured by dark, swirling clouds, creating a powerful and ethereal atmosphere.

# 1 Thessalonians 4:17

Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever.

# ARE YOU READY?

MATTHEW 24:40



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# THE RAPTURE

The background of the entire image is a dramatic, cloudy sky in shades of blue and white. On the left and right sides, there are two figures of angels, depicted in a classical style, wearing robes and blowing long, curved trumpets. The trumpets are positioned as if they are playing a fanfare. The overall atmosphere is one of divine proclamation and anticipation.

OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

*"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." Revelation 3:10*

**COMES BEFORE THE TRIBULATION**

John 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 4:13-17; and 1 Cor. 15:51-53.



The Rapture involves the following:

- A Realisation (1 Thess. 4:13)
- A Repose. 1 Thess. 4:14
- A Revelation. 1 Thess. 4:15a
- A Return. 1 Thess. 4:10
- A Resurrection. 1 Thess. 4:16
- A Removal. 1 Thess. 4:17a
- A Reunion. 1 Thess. 4:17
- A Reassurance. 1 Thess. 4:18



# What is the 'Rapture?'

**ἄρπάζω** → **RAPTURO** → **RAPTURE**

The Greek word 'Harpazo or Latin Rapturo' appearing in scripture 14 times.

In Genesis 5:24 [Enoch raptured] 2 Kings 2:11 [Elijah raptured]

1 Thessalonians 4:17 [future church], translated 'caught up.'

Examples of those who have gone before are also JESUS,

Philip & Paul [Acts 1:11, 2 Cor 12:2-4, Acts 8:39].

# THE Rapture



▶ HOPE or HOAX?

# THE RAPTURE

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:17



11th Nov 4.16.18

A large group of people is jumping into the ocean. The word "THERAPY" is overlaid in large, glowing, white-outlined letters. The background is a blue sky and ocean with many people in various poses, some jumping and some standing. The overall scene is bright and energetic.

# THERAPY

**ARE YOU READY?**

**Rapture was last week.  
You all missed it!  
You just weren't good enough.**

**God**

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# The Rapture







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# SUDDENLY

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

*1 Thessalonians 4:17*

**This “post-evangelical” generation was raised on a steady diet of low-budget movies and pulp novels that injected a potent fear of the coming Rapture, a dynamic most eloquently described by the late Billy Graham. “I pick up the Bible in one hand,” he said, “and I pick up the newspaper in the other. And I read almost the same words in the newspaper as I read in the Bible. It’s being fulfilled every day round about us.” In the 1990s, Christopher Stroop was one such evangelical. He has now abandoned his faith and leads a social media campaign seeking to galvanize “exvangelicals” with hashtags like #emptythepews and #raptureanxiety. He said he had “definitely seen a lot of ex-evangelicals talking about being triggered by the Jerusalem news”. [source](#)**

# Rapture Distinct from Second Advent

<b>Rapture (1 Thess 4:13-17; 1 Cor 15:51-57)</b>	<b>Second Coming (Rev 19:11-16)</b>
Christ comes in the air (1 Thess 4:16)	Christ comes to the earth (Zech 14:4)
For His saints (1 Thess 4:15-17)	With His saints (Rev 19:14)
Blessing (1 Thess 4:18)	Judgment (Rev 19:15)
Effects only believers (1 Thess 4:16)	Effects both believers and unbelievers (Rev 19:15)
Invisible (1 Thess 4:16)	Visible to all (Rev 1:7)
Announced only by an archangel (1 Thess 4:16)	Involves myriads of angels (Jude 14)
Resurrection (1 Cor 15:51)	No resurrection
Rescue of the church (1 Thess 1:10)	Rescue of Israel (Matt 23:37-39)

# 15 CONTRASTING EVENTS OF THE SECOND COMING

## RAPTURE / BLESSED HOPE

1. Christ comes in air for His own
2. Rapture / translation of all Christians
3. Christians taken to the Father's House
4. No judgment on earth at Rapture
5. Church taken to Heaven at Rapture
6. Rapture imminent / could happen any moment
7. No signs for Rapture
8. For believers only
9. Time of joy
10. Before the Day of Wrath (Tribulation)
11. No mention of Satan
12. The Judgment Seat of Christ
13. Marriage of Lamb
14. Only His own see Him
15. Tribulation begins

## GLORIOUS APPEARING

1. Christ comes with His own to earth
2. No one translated
3. Resurrected saints do not see Father's House
4. Christ judges inhabitants of earth
5. Christ sets up His kingdom on earth
6. Glorious appearing cannot occur for at least 7 years
7. Many signs for Christ's physical coming
8. Affects all humanity
9. Time of mourning
10. Immediately after Tribulation (Matthew 24)
11. Satan bound in Abyss for 1000 years
12. No time or place for Judgment Seat
13. His bride descends with Him
14. Every eye will see Him
15. 1000-year kingdom of Christ begins

# The Lord's Second Coming

## PHASE 1 The Rapture (1 Thessalonians 4:13-17)

## PHASE 2 Jesus' Return to the Earth (Revelation 19)

Jesus returns to the air

Jesus returns to the earth

Jesus returns in secret, like a thief

Jesus returns openly

Jesus returns *for* his Church

Jesus returns *with* his Church

Jesus comes as bridegroom

Jesus comes as King

Jesus comes as deliverer

Jesus comes as warrior and judge

Jesus comes with grace

Jesus comes with wrath and grace

Jesus delivers the Church *from* wrath

Jesus delivers believers (of the Tribulation) who endured wrath

Living believers receive immortal bodies as they are taken to heaven

Living believers remain mortal on the earth during the Millennium

The world is left unjudged

The world is judged (Mt. 25:31-46)

The world continues in sin

Righteousness is established

Addresses only the saved

Addresses the saved and unsaved

Can happen at any moment

Many signs must first occur

The devil continues his evil reign

The devil is cast into the Abyss

## RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

1. It occurs *before* the tribulation  
**LUKE 21:36**
2. Christ comes *for* the saints  
**I THESS. 4:13-17**
3. Christ takes the saints to *heaven*  
**JOHN 14:3**
4. Christ returns to the clouds  
**I THESS. 4:17**
5. Christ is not seen  
**I COR. 15:52**
6. It is the "blessed hope" of the church  
**TITUS 2:13**

## SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

1. It occurs *after* the tribulation  
**MAT. 24:29-30**
2. Christ comes *with* the saints  
**JUDE 14; REV. 19:11-21**
3. Christ brings the saints back to *Earth*  
**ZECH. 14:4-5; REV. 19:14**
4. Christ returns to the Earth  
**ZECH. 14:4-5**
5. Every eye shall see Christ  
**REV. 1:7**
6. It is the great day of His wrath  
**REV. 19:15**

## Comparing 1 Thessalonians 4-5 with Matthew 24-25

	Event	1 Thess. 4-5	Matt. 24-25
1	Christ Himself returns	1 Thess. 4:16	24:30
2	From heaven	1 Thess. 4:16	24:30
3	With a shout	1 Thess. 4:16	24:30 [in power]
4	Accompanied by angels	1 Thess. 4:16	24:31
5	With the trumpet of God	1 Thess. 4:16	24:31
6	Believers supernaturally gathered to Christ	1 Thess. 4:17	24:31, 40-41
7	Believers meet the Lord	1 Thess. 4:17	25:1, 6
8	In the clouds	1 Thess. 4:17	24:30
9	The time is unknown	1 Thess. 5:1-2	24:36
10	Will come as a thief	1 Thess. 5:2,4	24:43
11	Will come at night	1 Thess. 5:2	24:43
12	Unbelievers are unaware of impending judgment	1 Thess. 5:3	24:37-39
13	Judgment comes as travail upon an expectant mother	1 Thess. 5:3	24:8 [cf RSV]
14	Believers not deceived	1 Thess. 5:6	24:4-5,25
15	Believers are to watch	1 Thess. 5:6	24:42,25
16	Warning against drunkenness	1 Thess 5:7	24:49

# RAPTURE VS 2ND COMING



- 1 THESS. 4:16-17 / 1 COR. 15:51-52**
1. CHRIST COMES FOR HIS OWN
  2. CHRIST APPEARS IN THE AIR
  3. CHRIST COMES AS A LOVING BRIDEGROOM
  4. ONLY HIS OWN SEE HIM
  5. TIME OF GREAT JOY FOR BELIEVERS/SAVED
  6. A SECRET DISSAPPEARENCE
  7. FOCUS IS ON THE LORD AND HIS CHURCH



- REV. 9:11-21 / ZECH. 14:4**
1. CHRIST COMES WITH HIS OWN
  2. CHRIST COMES BACK TO EARTH
  3. CHRIST COMES AS A VENGEFUL WARRIOR - KING OF KINGS
  4. EVERY EYE SHALL SEE HIM
  5. TIME OF GREAT FEAR FOR UNBELIEVERS/LOST
  6. A PUBLIC APPEARANCE
  7. FOCUS IS ON ISRAEL AND HIS KINGDOM



# Rapture

- 1) Christ appears in the air for His Church
- 2) The catching up of all believers
- 3) Church age Believers are taken to Fathers House in Heaven
- 4) There no Judgment on earth at the Rapture
- 5) The Church is gathered together to Jesus at the Rapture
- 6) Only the Rapture is taught as being imminent
- 7) There no signs preceding the Rapture
- 8) The Rapture affects only the believers.
- 9) The Rapture is a time of great joy
- 10) The Rapture must precede the advent of Anti-Christ
- 11) There no mention of satan at the rapture
- 12) Only those looking for Him will see Him
- 13) The Judgment Seat of Christ place in Heaven
- 14) At the Rapture the Tribulation begins
- 15) The Rapture takes us to the Marriage supper of Lamb
- 16) At the Rapture there is a metamorphous described

# Second Coming

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- 1) Christ returns to the earth with his church
- 2) No catching up at all
- 3) Tribulation age Believers are not taken to Fathers house in Heaven
- 4) Christ judges all the inhabitants of the earth at His Second Coming
- 5) Jesus Christ gathers the nations to on earth
- 6) The second coming cannot happen for at seven years from today
- 7) There are hundreds of signs preceding the second coming
- 8) The second coming affects all of humanity
- 9) The second coming is a time of fear
- 10) The second coming happens immediately after the tribulation
- 11) Satan bound in the abyss at the second coming
- 12) Then every eye will see Him
- 13) There is no judgement seat of Christ on earth
- 14) At the second coming the millennial kingdom of Christ begins
- 15) The second coming is Christ and His bride descending
- 16) There is no metamorphous described at the second coming

## **AT RAPTURE**

- 1. During rapture, The LORD comes for His Holy elect to take them to Heaven**
- 2. During rapture, The LORD comes to take them in the air above**
- 3. During rapture, The LORD comes to claim His Bride**
- 4. During rapture, only His own will see HIM (the elect Only)**
- 5. During rapture, The LORD doesn't establish the Kingdom on earth**
- 6. During rapture, there is removal of the believer**
- 7. During rapture, The LORD will save them from the coming wrath.**
- 8. During rapture, the focus is on CHRIST and the church**
- 9. During rapture, True believers are taken away from the earth**
- 10. After rapture, the dispensation of deception begins( antichrist reign on earth)**
- 11. After the rapture , the earth enters into the Great tribulation**

## **THE SECOND COMING OF THE MESSIAH**

- 1. At the Second coming, The LORD comes back with His elect**
- 2. At the second Coming, The LORD comes to the Earth**
- 3. At the Second coming, The LORD comes with His Bride (Revelation 19:14)**
- 4. At the second coming, every eye will see Him (Revelation 1:7)**
- 5. At the second coming, The LORD comes to establish The Kingdom on earth**
- 6. At the second coming, there is the revelation of the Messiah**
- 7. At the second coming, the wrath of GOD is upon all unbelievers that remained**
- 8. At the second coming, focus is on Israel and the Kingdom of GOD.**
- 9. At the second coming , the unbelievers are taken away from the earth**
- 10. At the second coming, the enemy the devil is bound.**
- 11. At the second coming, there will be millennial reign of the messiah and the redeemed of the LORD.**

# THE RAPTURE EVENT

## BIBLICAL SUPPORT FOR THE RAPTURE

JOHN 14:1-3

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-53

ROMANS 8:19

1 CORINTHIANS 1:7-8

1 CORINTHIANS 16:22

PHILIPPIANS 3:20-21

COLOSSIANS 3:4

1 THESSALONIANS 1:10

1 THESSALONIANS 2:19

1 THESSALONIANS 3:13

1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

1 THESSALONIANS 5:9

2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-3

1 TIMOTHY 6:14

2 TIMOTHY 4:1

TITUS 2:13

HEBREWS 9:28

JAMES 5:7-9

1 PETER 1:7,13

1 JOHN 2:28-3:2

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REVELATION 2:25

REVELATION 3:10

1 THESSALONIANS 5:23

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# THE LAST NEWS

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WORLD WIDE COVERAGE

TOMORROW'S HEADLINES...TODAY

# CHRIST RETURNS

## — Millions missing around the world



**WEATHER:**  
Storm Clouds

## GLOBAL UPDATE

- **INDONESIA** — Earthquakes have been rocking the nation every three minutes. Thousands have perished.
- **AUSTRALIA** — Earthquakes in other parts of the world have caused tidal waves over many parts of Australia.
- **JAPAN** — Volcanoes are erupting all over Japan. Hot lava spews from the crevices of the earth.

At 12:05 a.m. today, a telephone operator reported three frantic calls regarding missing relatives. Within 15 minutes, all satellite, Internet and other communications networks were jammed with similar inquiries.

A spot check around the nation found the same situation in every city: sobbing husbands sought information about the mysterious disappearance of their wives. One husband reported, "I turned on the light to ask my wife if she remembered to set the clock, but she was gone. Her bedclothes were there, her watch was on the floor — she just disappeared."

An alarmed caller from  
New York has just reported



# Can We Still Believe in The Rapture?

**Promise: I Will Return**

**Process: Caught Up**

**Purpose: Changed**

**1 CORINTHIANS 15:15-19**



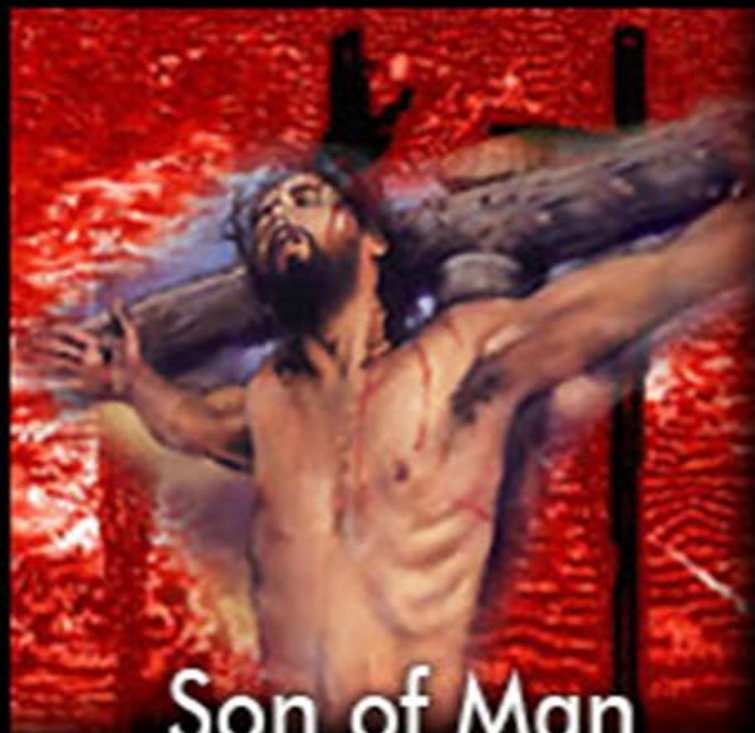
# THE THREE COMINGS OF JESUS CHRIST

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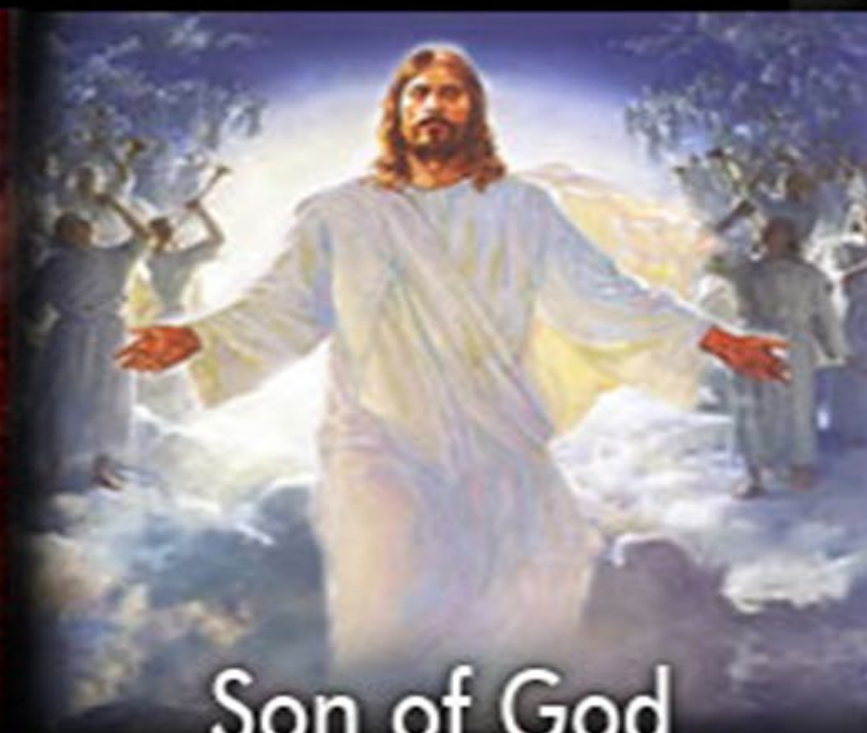
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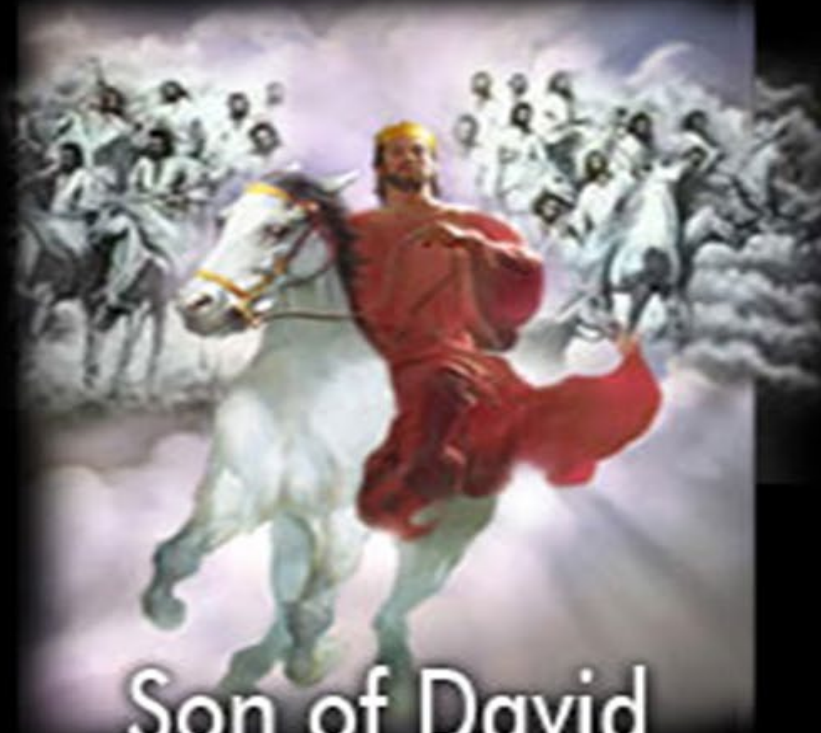
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**Matthew 4:23; 21:11**

**1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**

**Revelation 19:11-16**

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# THE RAPTURE

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:17