

RAPTURE OR 2ND COMING...Part 2

Acts 1:11 – returning the same way

Luke 21:36 & Heb.: 2:3 - escaping what??

Only escaping God's wrath – not Jesus' - JESUS IS GOD!!

Is Jesus going to beat His bride up?

Heb.9:28 -- not looking for Him, He's not coming for you.

Exodus 19:18-20 – rapture in the Torah (End from the Beginning)

From the "Thomas Ice Collection":

For those of you who think that "rapture" is a concept that came about in the 20th century and bled over into the 21st century it is clearly taught in the Bible so it has been around as long as scripture has. The early church fathers taught on it and so did Paul and the prophets prophesied about it. The term "rapture" is more commonly used than harpazo and is not found in the Bible. While you will not find that exact word through a word search, the meaning of the words that are written remains the same and conveys the same idea. The term "rapture" comes from the Latin verb [rapiemur](#) which means "to seize, snatch, carry away." This is the same meaning behind the Greek word that *is* found in the Bible, *harpazo*. It is found in the following scripture, which is the "harpazo" passage. I Thessalonians 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be "caught up"... Who does this? THE LORD HIMSELF (I Thess.4:16) not angels – but The LORD HIMSELF.

Regarding II Thessalonians 2:3 and whether it should say "falling away" or "departure away" the early church fathers taught "departure away" and the first seven translations of the Bible used "departure away." Also, when Paul used "the" he was referring to a specific event. Not just a departure but THE departure. Falling away has been happening ever since man was created, so it doesn't stand to reason that anyone would be able to know when it had occurred or was occurring because falling away from the faith has been going on ever since Jesus ascended to the Father. A departure away, however, is a significant event

and there will be no questions as to if it has occurred or not. The Thessalonians were being deceived to believe by a false letter that it had already occurred and that the Day of the Lord was at hand. If you look at verse 7 you will see the Holy Spirit will be taken out of the way first and then verse 8 shows that then will the Wicked be revealed. **When the church is raptured out, the Holy Spirit will still be present on this earth as He is all present, but He will stand down to let satan run his course.**

Translation History

The first seven English translations of *apostasia* all rendered the noun as either "departure" or "departing." They are as follows: Wycliffe Bible (1384); Tyndale Bible (1526); Coverdale Bible (1535); Cranmer Bible (1539); Breeches Bible (1576); Beza Bible (1583); Geneva Bible (1608).^[5] This supports the notion that the word truly means "departure." In fact, Jerome's Latin translation known as the Vulgate from around the time of a.d. 400 renders *apostasia* with the "word *discessio*, meaning 'departure.' "^[6] Why was the King James Version the first to depart from the established translation of "departure" ?

Theodore Beza, the Swiss reformer was the first to transliterate *apostasia* and create a new word, rather than translate it as others had done. The translators of the King James Version were the first to introduce the new rendering of *apostasia* as "falling away." Most English translators have followed the KJV and Beza in departing from translating *apostasia* as "departure." No good reason was ever given.

This is the end of the "Thomas Ice Collection Material."

Zeph.: 2:3 - hid

Malachi 3: **Spare from what?? Read on into chapter 4 and you will find in verse 5 – (Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful Day of the LORD) He is talking about sparing you from the tribulation if you believe in the Messiah and have a personal relationship with Him. –

Lev.:23:23-24 talks of Feast of Trumpets

Jon Ziccarine – Day of Remembrance

Feast of Trumpets – Zicrone & in Malachi 3:16 – zicrone (same root word for remembrance)

Jewels – wealth or a peculiar treasure

Peculiar – Exodus 19:5, Psalm 135:4, II Cor.: 4:7, II Peter 2:9 & Titus 2:14

Make up – bring forth, fly, gather, to take a journey

2nd Coming:

Matt: 24:30-31 - north, south, east, & west – gleaning the four corners

Matt: 24:40-41 ** Greek: taken = to receive unto oneself left = to put away This is the sheep/goat judgment or wheat/tare separation** (((John 14:1-4)))

Mark 13:26-27 And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. And then shall He send His angels, and shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

Revelation 19:11,14 And (This is us and the angels) **armies in Greek is strateuma meaning a body of troops, an army of any size, large or small.

We know that we are in Christ's army: II Timothy 2:3-4 You therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man that wars entangles himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please Him who has chosen Him to be a soldier. And we know we have armor: Ephesians 6:12 Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.**

we just finished the marriage supper with Jesus before we come with Him to battle

Zechariah 14:5c And the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with You.

The word saints here in Greek is Kadosh and it can be saints or angels.

Jude 14 **Here the word saints is hagios in Greek meaning separated, separated from sin and therefore consecrated to God, sacred. – this is the process we go through as believers**

Revelation 1:7 **wail in Greek is kopto meaning to chop, to beat the breast in grief – this is not something a believer will do when they see Jesus so this is another indication that we will be with Him at His 2nd Coming!! And in Matt: 24:30 it says “mourn” meaning the same thing – we will not mourn!!**

God is not a man that He should lie. We know that His Word is true and the promises that are in His Word are for us today. If you are in Christ, and believe those promises are for you, then you will have what is written. However, if you do not believe in the promises in God’s Word, then they are not for you. Not believing a promise is true is called unbelief. God will not give you a promise if you don’t believe in it or believe it is for you.

Heb.:4:6 - unbelief

Remember the parables about the servant who thought His Master delayed His coming = unbelief

For those that are post-trib I want to point out that in order to be with Jesus at His 2nd coming means that you have to already be with Him on your horse when He comes. He isn’t riding down here, getting you and then going back to heaven so you can get a horse and then turning around and coming back down here for His 2nd Coming. There is more than one scripture above that points out that we will be with Him already at the time of His 2nd coming. Perry Stone calls this the U-turn theory! lol

Now for those that believe in mid-trib, my response to that is this: Jesus said in Luke 21:36 Watch therefore, and pray always, that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man. Jesus means what He says, He wasn't saying well you might have to go through a little bit of the tribulation and then I'll take you out of it. When He says escape – He means that you will not have to go through ANY of it if you obey. And again in Malachi 3:16 when God makes up His jewels that He will spare, meaning they will not go through the tribulation at all. Let's look at Rev.: 3:10 – Greek says keep you OUT of. To me, out means out. Not in it but protected going through it.

If you aren't living for Christ right now and you think oh well I'll just take my chances and go through the tribulation, that is not the right way to think. You really think that you will all of a sudden be able to live for Him when all hell is breaking out on the earth, but yet cannot come to Him when you are in peace and free to do so? When you are starving and fighting and being faced with pledging allegiance to the anti-christ so you can get some food. Do you really think you can stand strong for Jesus when you are faced with being beheaded? You may not even live that long. Seek Him now while He is near. Call on Jesus, He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Watch is all through the End Times, the harvest is gathered at different times (first fruits, main field, and the four corners)

B E L I E V E, He's Coming Soon!