

The Catching Away Event



Have you heard anything about the great “**CATCHING AWAY EVENT**”? Some born-again Christians refer to it as “The Rapture” and believe it will happen soon.

WHAT IS THE RAPTURE? The “Rapture” or “Catching Away Event” is mentioned several times in the New Testament Bible as an End-time Event.

IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE

- 1 Corinthians 15:51-53

But I am telling you this strange and wonderful secret: we shall not all die, but we shall all be given new bodies! It will all happen in a moment, in the **twinkling of an eye**, when the last trumpet is blown. For there will be a trumpet blast from the



sky, and all the Christians who have died will suddenly become alive, with new bodies that will never, never die; and then we who are still alive shall suddenly have new bodies too. For our earthly bodies, the ones we have now that can die, must be transformed into heavenly bodies that cannot perish but will live forever.

GREAT TRUMPET CALL

- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

And now, dear brothers, I want you to know what happens to a Christian when he dies so that when it happens, you will not be full of

sorrow, as those are who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and then came back to life again, we can also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him all the Christians who have died. I can tell you this directly from the Lord: that we who are still living when the Lord returns will not rise to meet him ahead of those who are in their graves. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a mighty shout and with the soul-stirring cry of the archangel and the **great trumpet-call of God**. And the believers who are dead will be the first to rise to meet the Lord. Then we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught-up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air and remain with him forever. So comfort and encourage each other with this news.

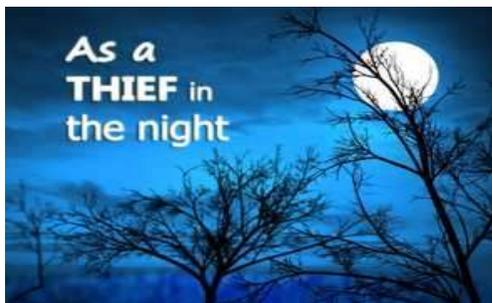


WHEN IS THE RAPTURE?

WE CAN KNOW THE SIGNS BEFORE IT COMES. “Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?” And **JESUS answered and SAID** to them: “Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many. And you will **hear of wars and rumors of wars**. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. **For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom**. And there will be **famines, pestilences,** and **earthquakes** in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. “Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake. And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. Then **many false prophets will rise up and deceive many**. And because **lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold**. But he who endures to the end shall be saved. And this **gospel of the kingdom** will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come. – Matthew 24:3–14



WE KNOW IT WILL BE UNEXPECTED. JESUS SAID, “Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known what **hour the thief would come**, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore, you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. “Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying his coming, and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him and at an hour that he is not aware of, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. - *Matthew 24:42–51*



WE CAN KNOW WHEN IT IS NEAR. **JESUS SAID**, “So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away”. – *Matthew 24:33-35*

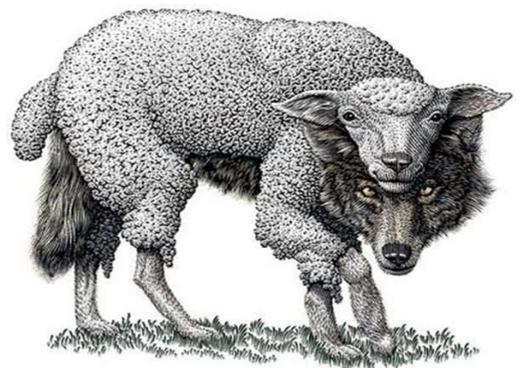
NO ONE WILL KNOW THE DAY OR HOUR when Jesus will come. **JESUS SAID**, “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. – *Matthew 24:36*

MANY WILL VANISH

So, if 800 million to 1 billion born again Believers in Christ, around the world disappear in the twinkling of an eye in the rapture event, do you think the world will change? You bet it will. This will usher in the Great 7-Year Tribulation spoken about in the book of Revelations, Daniel, and others.

THE GREAT TRIBULATION (7-YEAR)

Jesus said, “The day is coming when you will see what Daniel the prophet spoke about—the sacrilegious object that causes desecration standing in the Holy Place.” (Reader, pay attention!) “Then those in Judea must flee to the hills. A person out on the deck of a roof must not go down into the house to pack. A person out in the field must not return even to get a coat. How terrible it will be for pregnant women and for nursing mothers in those days. And pray that your flight will not be in winter or on the Sabbath. For there will be greater anguish than at any time since the world began. And it will never be so great again. In fact, unless that time of calamity is shortened, not a single person will survive. But it will be shortened for the sake of God’s chosen ones. “Then if anyone tells you, ‘Look, here is the Messiah,’ or ‘There he is,’ don’t believe it. **For false messiahs and false prophets will rise up** and perform great signs and wonders so as to deceive, if possible, even God’s chosen ones. See, I have warned you about this ahead of time. “So if someone tells you, ‘Look, the Messiah is out in the desert,’ don’t bother to go and look. Or, ‘Look, he is hiding here,’ don’t believe it! For as the lightning flashes in the east and shines to the west, so it will be when the Son of Man comes. Just as the gathering of vultures shows there is a carcass nearby, so these signs indicate that the end is near.



THE SUN IS DARKENED, MOON GIVES NO LIGHT, HEAVENS SHAKING

“Immediately after the anguish of those days, **the sun will be darkened, the moon will give no light, the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.** And then at last, the sign that the Son of Man is coming will appear in the heavens, and there will be deep mourning among all the peoples of the earth. And they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with the mighty blast of a trumpet, and they will gather his chosen ones from all over the world—from the farthest ends of the earth and heaven.



SO, WHAT IS YOUR CHOICE?

1. **Reject the Good News** and the Free Gift of Salvation. Jesus said, but anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God’s one and only Son. And the judgment is based on this fact: God’s light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed. John 3:18-20. If you reject Jesus Christ, your future is God’s judgment, damnation, weeping and gnashing of teeth, and eternal torment.

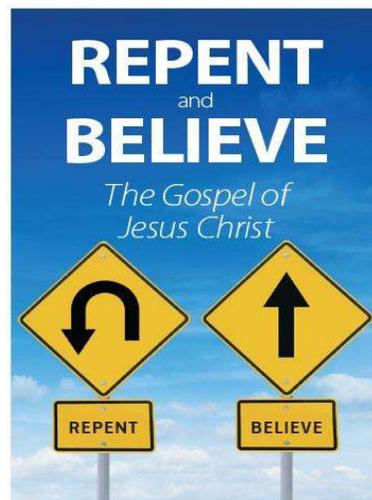


2. **Wait and see what happens.** If you miss The Great Catching Away Event, (The Rapture), don’t panic, you can still be saved. Unfortunately, you’ll experience the worst tribulation this world has ever seen and witness the rise of the Anti-Christ on the earth. It will be difficult to buy & sell without taking the Mark of the Beast. **YOU MUST NOT TAKE THE MARK OF THE BEAST!** Once you take the Mark of the Beast, it’s too late. If you refuse to take the Mark, you can still cry out to God and be saved. Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior.



3. **Become a born-again Christian today.** Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. Confess Him as your Lord and Savior and believe that God raised Him from the dead. Repent of your sins and receive forgiveness. If you are tired of living in guilt, shame, oppression, depression, addictions, anger, defeat, and loneliness, then the good news is, YOU can be set free today. Jesus took our punishment. He suffered, died, and rose from the dead to liberate the captives. Come to the marriage supper of the Lamb of God in heaven. You're invited!

Choose Eternal Life!

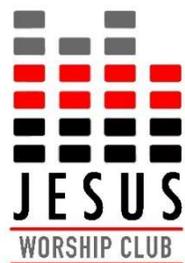


Following Jesus!

Following Jesus is a choice of the heart and a matter of faith. It requires repentance and trust. It is not about a prayer to be repeated but must come from the heart. However, as a prayer, it might be something like this:

Prayer

Heavenly Father, I know I'm a sinner and need a Savior. I believe that Jesus is the Son of God and died on the cross in my place so I could receive forgiveness of sin. I believe He was raised from the dead and lives forever. God, forgive me and give me new life – your life. I want to know you and trust you. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and show me your way. In Jesus' Name. Amen.



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