

Christ Fellowship

Series: The Life of Christ
The 2nd Advent of Jesus
Lesson 32
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God's Design in the Greek Scriptures: Revelation

The Rapture Of The Church Of Jesus — An Overview

I. The Powerful Promise of Jesus, Rev3.10

¹⁰ 'Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that *hour* which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

II. The Rapture: What Is It?

A. Six "Raptures" in the Bible

1) Gen5.24; Heb11.5, 2) 2Kings2.1, 11, 3) Mark16.19; Acts1.9-11, 4) 2Cor12.2-4, 5) Rev11.3, 11-12, 6) Church of Jesus (see below)

B. The Rapture of the Church of Jesus

I. John14.1-3

2. ICor15.51-53

3. IThess4.13-18

- ✠ Jesus will descend to the air above the earth with a shout and a blast of a trumpet (Jn 14.3; IThess4.16-17) and come FOR His believers.
- ✠ The souls of believers who've died prior to Jesus' Rapture will come with Jesus, IThess4.14.
- ✠ The bodies of believers who've died prior to Jesus' Rapture will be raised immortal and incorruptible and be reunited with their returning souls, ICor15.42-44; 52-53; IThess4.14-16.
- ✠ The bodies of believer who have not died prior to the Rapture, believers who are alive, will be instantly changed to immortal and incorruptible bodies, ICor15.51-53.
- ✠ Both the resurrected believers and believers who have been changed will be caught up together to meet Jesus in the air, IThess4.17; Jn14.3.
- ✠ There will be a joyous reunion in Jesus' Presence of loved ones who've died in days past as all those who've placed their faith in Jesus gather with Him, IThess4.17.
- ✠ The Church of Jesus will return with Jesus to the Father's house to dwell with Him in accommodations Jesus has prepared for them, His Bride, Jn14.3, and believers will be kept from the coming Tribulation wrath, safe and secure with Jesus forever!