

Rapture Bible Verses

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Introduction – Vision by Pastor Joshua Mhlakela

Only God Knoweth When the Rapture Shall Happen

[Matt. 24:36] But of that day and hour **knoweth no [man]**, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

[Mark 13:32] But of that day and [that] hour **knoweth no man**, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

The Tribulation is Shorter than Seven Years

[Matt. 24:22] And except those days should be **shortened**, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be **shortened**.

[Mark 13:20] And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath **shortened** the days.

Lying Spirits Exist

[1 Kings 22:20-22] And the LORD said, Who shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramothgilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner. And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade him. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a **lying spirit** in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, Thou shalt persuade [him], and prevail also: go forth, and do so.

[2 Cor. 11:14] And no marvel; **for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light**.

Jesus Christ Commanded Us to Work to Prevent Being Deceived

[Matt. 24:4] And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Take heed that no man deceive you**.

[Mark 13:5-6] And Jesus answering them began to say, **Take heed lest any [man] deceive you:** For many shall come in my name, saying, I am [Christ]; and shall deceive many.

[Luke 21:8] And he said, **Take heed that ye be not deceived:** for many shall come in my name, saying, I am [Christ]; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.

[Acts 17:11] These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that **they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so**.

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[1] – Christ’s Description of the Rapture

Compare 1 Thess. 4:16-17 With Matthew and Mark:

[1 Thess. 4:16-17] For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 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.

[Matt. 24:31] And he shall send **his angels** with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall **gather together his elect** from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

[Mark 13:27] 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.

[2] – The Rapture is Not an Isolated Event

[Mark 13:27] 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.

[1 Cor. 15:52] In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

[3] – The Two Major Events That Must Precede The Rapture

2 Thess. 2:1-3

Apostasy – Matt. 24:8-14

Abomination of Desolation – Matt. 24:15, 21, 22

[2 Thess. 2:1-3] Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and [by] our gathering together unto him, That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a **falling away first**, and **that man of sin be revealed**, the son of perdition;

Apostasy

[Matt. 24:8-14] All these [are] the beginning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. And this gospel of

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the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Abomination of Desolation

[Matt. 24:15, 21-22] 15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) ... 21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. 22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

[4] – The Rapture's Position in the Sequence of Prophecies

Exodus II

[Joel 2:28-30] And it shall come to pass afterward, [that] I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And **I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.**

[Jer. 16:14-15] Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

Day of Wrath is Near Sign – Joel 2:31 and Acts 2:20

[Joel 2:31-32] The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

[Acts 2:20-21] The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Revelation of Jesus Christ and the Rapture

[Matt. 24:29-31] **Immediately after the tribulation of those days** shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And **then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn**, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the

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clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

[Rev.6:12] And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, **there was a great earthquake**; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

[Matt. 24:29-31] **Immediately after the tribulation of those days** shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

[Mark 13:24] But in those days, **after that tribulation**, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,

[Ezek. 38:19-20] For in my jealousy [and] in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a **great shaking in the land of Israel**; So that the fishes of the sea, and the **fowls of the heaven**, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that [are] upon the face of the earth, **shall shake at my presence**, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

[Luke 21:25] And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; **the sea and the waves roaring**;

[Rev.6:12] And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the **sun** became black as sackcloth of hair, and the **moon** became as blood;

[Rev.6:13] And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

[Rev.6:14] And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

[Rev. 1:7] Behold, he cometh with **clouds**; and **every eye** shall see him, and **they [also] which pierced him**: and all kindreds of the earth **shall wail** because of him. Even so, Amen.

[Rev.6:15] And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

[Rev.6:16] And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the **face** of him that **sitteth** on the throne, and from the **wrath of the Lamb**:

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[Rev.6:17] For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Silence Before the Day of Wrath Commences

[Rev.7:13-14] And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation**, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Day of Wrath Begins – Rev. 8:4-5

Day of Wrath Ends – Rev. 19:11-21

Millennial Kingdom Begins – Rev. 20:1-7

Satan Released from the Bottomless Pit – Rev. 20:8-10

Great White Throne Judgement – Rev. 20:11-15

New Heaven and New Earth Begin – Rev. 21:1

What Can We Do?

[Rev. 3:10] 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.

[Luke 21:33] Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

[Luke 21:34] And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and [so] that day come upon you unawares.

[Luke 21:35] For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

[Luke 21:36] Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.