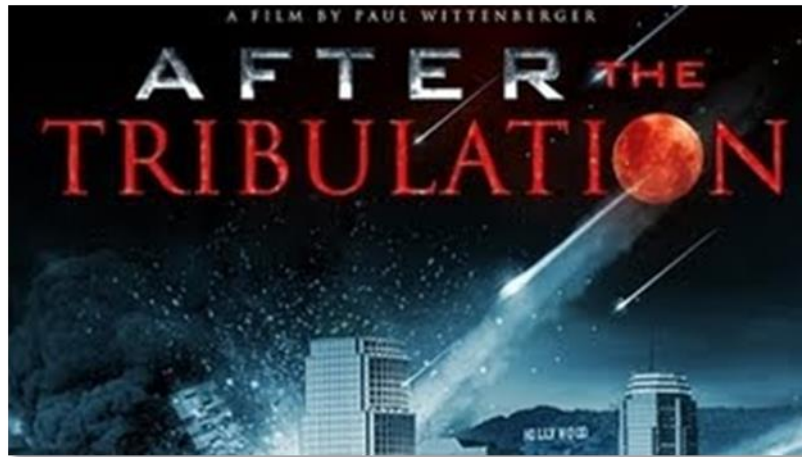


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AFTER THE TRIBULATION

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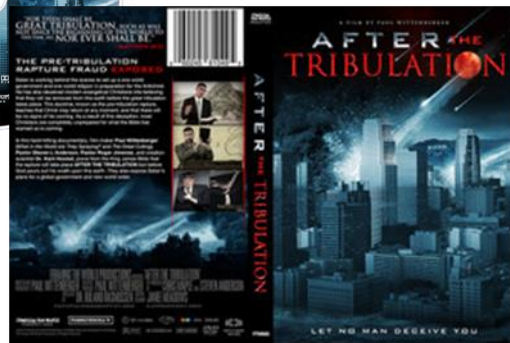
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INTRODUCTION

I believe *After the Tribulation* is an excellent, and much needed, documentary on the unbiblical and very deceptive teaching on the Pre-tribulation rapture.

Many Christians accept the words; teachings, and doctrines of others based on supposed authority; popularity, and worldly credentials without taking the time to search the Word of God for themselves. In the deceptive world in which we live, this is a dangerous practice.

In Matthew 24, one of the key prophetic chapters addressed in this documentary, Jesus uses the word “deceive” four times. If deception were not possible, I do not think Jesus would have put so much emphasis on it.

“And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man **deceive** you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall **deceive** many.” Matthew 24:4-5

“And many false prophets shall rise, and shall **deceive** many.” Matthew 24:11

“For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall **deceive** the very elect.” Matthew 24:24

The purpose for these notes is to serve as an aid to help us recall what was said, and be a tangible reminder of the Word of God presented to us in *After the Tribulation*. It is essential that you become firmly rooted and grounded in this prophetic Word of God; because it may have a direct bearing in your life and the lives of your loved ones in the not too distant future.

Additional Bible passages and other pertinent information are also included. Additional information is presented with a blue background.

In keeping with the documentary, all scripture references are from the King James Version (KJV) unless otherwise stated.

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“But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.”

Ezekiel 33:6 King James Version (KJV)

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What are the Roots of Pre-Tribulation Rapture?

- ▶ No evidence of pre-tribulation rapture teaching before 1830.
- ▶ [John Nelson Darby](#) in 1830's –
 - Began to teach the doctrine of the Secret Rapture
 - Made his own translation of the Bible, in which he removed entire verses from his bible
 - Corrupted important Biblical doctrines
 - Tampered with key passages concerning the 2nd coming of Jesus Christ
 - Known as the father of modern dispensationalism
- ▶ The Secret Rapture gained widespread acceptance with Baptist when the Oxford University Press published the [Scofield Reference Bible](#). The Scofield Reference Bible is a popular study bible that was edited and annotated by [Cyrus I. Scofield](#).
 - The [Scofield Reference Bible](#) includes marginal notes on Darby's Secret Rapture
 - The [Scofield Reference Bible](#) was sent out to seminaries and colleges
- ▶ In 1970's Don Thompson's movies played a significant role in indoctrinating new generation of teens
 - According to the video narrator, more than 300,000,000 have seen his movie [A thief in the night](#).
- ▶ In 1995 Tyndale House published Tim LaHaye's and Jerry Jenkins apocalyptic novel [Left Behind](#) –
 - A fictional series that has sold over 63 million copies.

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The Key Rapture Passage

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 King James Version (KJV)

“But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are **asleep**, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which **sleep in Jesus** will God bring with him.

¹⁵ For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are **alive and remain** unto **the coming of the Lord** shall not prevent them which are **asleep**.

¹⁶ 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:

¹⁷ **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. ¹⁸ **Wherefore comfort one another with these words.”**

- ▶ Emphasis by Paul was to give hope and bring comfort to those who had lost loved ones.
- ▶ There is nothing in this passage stating you will not be persecuted or go through tribulation, affliction, and suffering.
- ▶ Does this passage even mention the tribulation?

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Characteristics of the Rapture

- ▶ 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17
 1. Lord Descends
 2. Trumpet Sounds
 3. Caught up in the clouds

- ▶ Matthew 24:29-31 has the exact same elements as 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17.
 1. Jesus coming in the clouds
 2. Trumpet Sounds
 3. Sends angels to gather His elect

Matthew 24:29-31 King James Version (KJV)

“**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:

³⁰ **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 clouds** of heaven with power and great glory.

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 13:24-27 is a parallel passage to Matthew 24:29-31

Mark 13:24-27 King James Version (KJV)

“But in those days, **after that tribulation**, the sun shall be darkened, and **the moon** shall not give her light,

²⁵ And **the stars** of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.

²⁶ **And then** shall they see the Son of man coming in **the clouds** with great power and glory.

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.”

Proof the Rapture is After the Tribulation

- ▶ People write Matthew 24 off as Christ only talking to the Jews. However, the Bible says Christ gathers the elect from the outer most parts of the earth.
 - In Mark 13:37 Jesus says, “And what I say unto you, I say unto all, watch.”

Mark 13:35-37 King James Version (KJV)

“Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:

³⁶ Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

³⁷ And **what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.**”

- ▶ People say Matthew 24:30-31 looks and sounds like the Rapture, but it’s not the rapture. People look at the word “elect” and say it’s the Jews and Israel; therefore, Matthew 24 is not meant for Christians.
- ▶ The Scofield Reference Bible has a note saying “elect” is referring to Israel. It is man who says the word “elect” is referring only to Israel. However, the Bible defines itself.
- ▶ According to Pastor Anderson, out of sixteen verses, when it comes to the New Testament word “elect”:

10 - Belong to all believers

2 - Believers who are gentiles

1 - Believers who are Jews

2 - Jesus Christ Himself

1 - Jacob the person

VERSES ON “ELECT”

Mention #1	Matthew 24:22-24, 31	Mention #9	Titus 1:1
Mention #2	Mark 13:20-22, 27	Mention #10	1 Peter 1:2
Mention #3	Luke 18:7	Mention #11	1 Peter 2:6
Mention #4	Romans 8:33	Mention #12	2 Peter 1:10-11
Mention #5	Romans 9:11 and 11:5-7	Mention #13	2 John 1:1-2, 13
Mention #6	Colossians 3:11-12	Mention #14	Isaiah 42:1
Mention #7	1 Thessalonians 1:4	Mention #15	Isaiah 45: 4
Mention #8	2 Timothy 2:10	Mention #16	Isaiah 65:9

(Disciples Project addition to notes)

The **Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible** defines "**Elect**," in the New Testament, as follows:

Elect/Chosen –1588 εκλεκτος eklektos *ek-lek-tos*'from εκλεγομαι - eklegomai 1586; **select**; by implication, **favorite**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **chosen, elect**.

1586 - εκλεγομαι eklegomai *ek-leg'-om-ahēe* middle voice from εκ - ek 1537 and λεγω - lego 3004 (in its primary sense); **to select**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **make choice, choose (out), chosen**.

Election/chosen – 1589 εκλογη ekloge *ek-log-ay'* from εκλεγομαι - eklegomai 1586; (**divine**) **selection** (abstractly or concretely):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **chosen, election**.

Elected – 4899 συνεκλεκτος suneklektos *soon-ek-lek-tos'* from a compound of συν - sun 4862 and εκλεγομαι - eklegomai 1586; **chosen in company with**, i.e. **co-elect (fellow Christian)**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **elected together with**.

List of New Testament Scriptures pertaining to the word "Elect"

Matthew 24:22-24 King James Version (KJV)

"And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the **elect's** sake ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ those days shall be shortened."

²³ Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

²⁴ For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾."

Matthew 24:31 King James Version (KJV)

"And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Mark 13:20-22 King James Version (KJV)

"And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the **elect's** sake ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days."

²¹ And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not:

²² For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾."

Mark 13:27 King James Version (KJV)

"And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven."

Luke 18:7 King James Version (KJV)

"And shall not God avenge his own **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?"

Romans 8:33 King James Version (KJV)

“Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's **elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾? It is God that justifieth.”

Romans 9:11 King James Version (KJV)

“(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to **election**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾ might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)”

Romans 11:5-7 King James Version (KJV)

“Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the **election**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾ of grace.”

⁶ And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then it is no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

⁷ What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the **election**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾ hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded.”

Romans 11:28 King James Version (KJV)

“As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the **election**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾, they are beloved for the father's sakes.”

Colossians 3:11-12 King James Version (KJV)

“Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

¹² Put on therefore, as the **elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; “

1 Thessalonians 1:4 King James Version (KJV)

“Knowing, brethren beloved, your **election**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾ of God.”

1 Timothy 5:21 King James Version (KJV)

“I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the **elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.”

2 Timothy 2:10 King James Version (KJV)

“Therefore I endure all things for⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ the **elect's**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.”

Titus 1:1 King James Version (KJV)

“ Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's **elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; “

1 Peter 1:2 King James Version (KJV)

“**Elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.”

1 Peter 2:6 King James Version (KJV)

“Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, **elect**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.”

1 Peter 5:13 King James Version (KJV)

“The church that is at Babylon, **elect** together with ⁽⁴⁸⁹⁹⁾you, saluteth you; and so doth Marcus my son.”

2 Peter 1:10-11 King James Version (KJV)

“Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and **election** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:”

¹¹ For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2 John 1:1-2 King James Version (KJV)

“The elder unto the **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth;”

² For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.

2 John 1:13 King James Version (KJV)

“The children of thy **elect** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ sister greet thee. Amen.”

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Elect –972 bachal *baw-kheer'* from 'bachar' (977); **select**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **choose, chosen one, elect.**

977 – bachar *baw-khar'* a primitive root; properly, **to try**, i.e. (by implication) **select**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **acceptable, appoint, choose (choice), excellent, join, be rather, require.**

List of Old Testament Scriptures pertaining to the word “Elect”

Isaiah 42:1 King James Version (KJV)

Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine **elect**, ⁽⁹⁷²⁾ in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Isaiah 45:4 King James Version (KJV)

For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine **elect**, ⁽⁹⁷²⁾ I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.

Isaiah 65:9 King James Version (KJV)

And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine **elect** ⁽⁹⁷²⁾ shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.

Isaiah 65:22 King James Version (KJV)

They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine **elect** ⁽⁹⁷²⁾ shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

Because the King James Bible translated some verses using the word "Elect" and others using the words "chosen" or "chose" those verses are also listed:

Matthew 20:16 King James Version (KJV)

"So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾."

Matthew 22:14 King James Version (KJV)

"For many are called, but few are **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾."

Mark 13:20 King James Version (KJV)

"And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath **chosen**,⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ he hath shortened the days."

Luke 10:42 King James Version (KJV)

"But one thing is needful: and Mary hath **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ that good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

Luke 23:35 King James Version (KJV)

"And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ of God."

John 6:70 King James Version (KJV)

"Jesus answered them, Have⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ not I **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ you twelve, and one of you is a devil?"

John 13:18 King James Version (KJV)

"I speak not of you all: I know whom I have **chosen**:⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me."

John 15:16 King James Version (KJV)

"Ye have⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ not **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ me, but I have **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you."

John 15:19 King James Version (KJV)

"If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."

Acts 1:2 King James Version (KJV)

"Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had **chosen**:⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾"

Acts 1:24 King James Version (KJV)

"And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast **chosen**,⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾"

Acts 9:15 King James Version (KJV)

"But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁹⁾ vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:"

Acts 15:22 King James Version (KJV)

“Then pleased it the apostles and elders with the whole church, to send **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas and Silas, chief men among the brethren:”

Acts 15:25 King James Version (KJV)

“It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,”

Romans 16:13 King James Version (KJV)

“Salute Rufus **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ in the Lord, and his mother and mine.”

1 Corinthians 1:27 King James Version (KJV)

“But God hath **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;”

1 Corinthians 1:28 King James Version (KJV)

“And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath ⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ God **chosen**, ⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:”

Ephesians 1:4 King James Version (KJV)

“According as he hath **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:”

James 2:5 King James Version (KJV)

“Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath ⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ not God **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?”

1 Peter 2:4 King James Version (KJV)

“To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ of God, and precious,”

1 Peter 2:9 King James Version (KJV)

“But ye are a **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾ generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;”

Revelation 17:14 King James Version (KJV)

“These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and **chosen**⁽¹⁵⁸⁸⁾, and faithful.”

Luke 6:13 King James Version (KJV)

“And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he **chose**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ twelve, whom also he named apostles;”

Luke 14:7 King James Version (KJV)

“And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they **chose**⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ out the chief rooms; saying unto them.”

Acts 6:5 King James Version (KJV)

“And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they **chose** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:”

Acts 13:17 King James Version (KJV)

“The God of this people of Israel **chose** ⁽¹⁵⁸⁶⁾ our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.”

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No One Knows the Day or Hour

- ▶ Jesus says in Matthew 24:40-42:

Matthew 24:40-42 King James Version (KJV)

“Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

⁴¹ Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

⁴² Watch therefore: for **ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.**”

- Just because we don't know the day or the hour doesn't mean it can happen at any moment.

- ▶ We don't know the day or hour but we know it's after the tribulation, because Jesus says after the tribulation the sun and moon are darkened. Then Jesus Christ comes in the clouds. That's when trumpet sounds and believers are caught up.

- ▶ Jesus says it's after the tribulation in:

Matthew 24

Mark 13

Luke 17 & 21

And John covers it in Revelation

Matthew 24:29-30 King James Version (KJV)

“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:

³⁰ 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 clouds** of heaven with power and great glory.”

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 13:24-25 King James Version (KJV)

“But in those days, **after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light**,

²⁵ And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.”

²⁶ **And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds** with great power and glory.

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.”

Luke 17:22-37 King James Version (KJV)

“And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it.

²³ And **they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after them, nor follow them.**

²⁴ **For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.**

²⁵ But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.

²⁶ And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.

²⁷ They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

²⁸ Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

²⁹ But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

³⁰ Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

³¹ In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back.

³² Remember Lot's wife.

³³ Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.

³⁴ I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.

³⁵ Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

³⁶ Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

³⁷ And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together.”

Luke 21:20-28 King James Version (KJV)

“And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

²¹ Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter there into.

²² **For these be the days of vengeance**, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

²³ But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

²⁴ And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

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;

²⁶ Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

²⁷ **And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud** with power and great glory.

²⁸ And **when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.**”

Revelation 1:7 King James Version (KJV)

“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.”

Revelation 7:9-17 King James Version (KJV)

“After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

¹⁰ And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

¹¹ And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

¹² Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

¹³ And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?

¹⁴ 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.

¹⁵ Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.”

Revelation 8:11-13 King James Version (KJV)

“And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.

¹² And **the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.**

¹³ And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!”

Revelation 14:12-20 King James Version (KJV)

“Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

¹³ And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

¹⁴ **And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.**

¹⁵ And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.

¹⁶ And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

¹⁷ And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

¹⁸ And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

¹⁹ And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

²⁰ And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.”

Revelation 20:4-6 King James Version (KJV)

“And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: **and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**

⁵ But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

⁶ Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.”

- ▶ Order of events:
 1. Tribulation
 2. Sun and moon darkened
 3. Jesus comes in the clouds
 4. The elect are raptured

- ▶ Just because we do not know the day or hour doesn't mean it can happen at any moment.

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Tribulation Confused with God's Wrath

- ▶ People confuse the timing of the rapture because they confuse the tribulation with God's Wrath
- ▶ People try to use passages saying we are not appointed to God's wrath.
- ▶ God's wrath is not the same as the tribulation.

- ▶ Matthew 24:29 – Sun & moon darkened after tribulation

Matthew 24:29 New King James Version (NKJV)

“**Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light;** the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”

- ▶ Revelation 6:12-17 – When is the sun and moon darkened? When the 6th seal is opened.

Revelation 6:12-17 King James Version (KJV)

“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;**

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.

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

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;

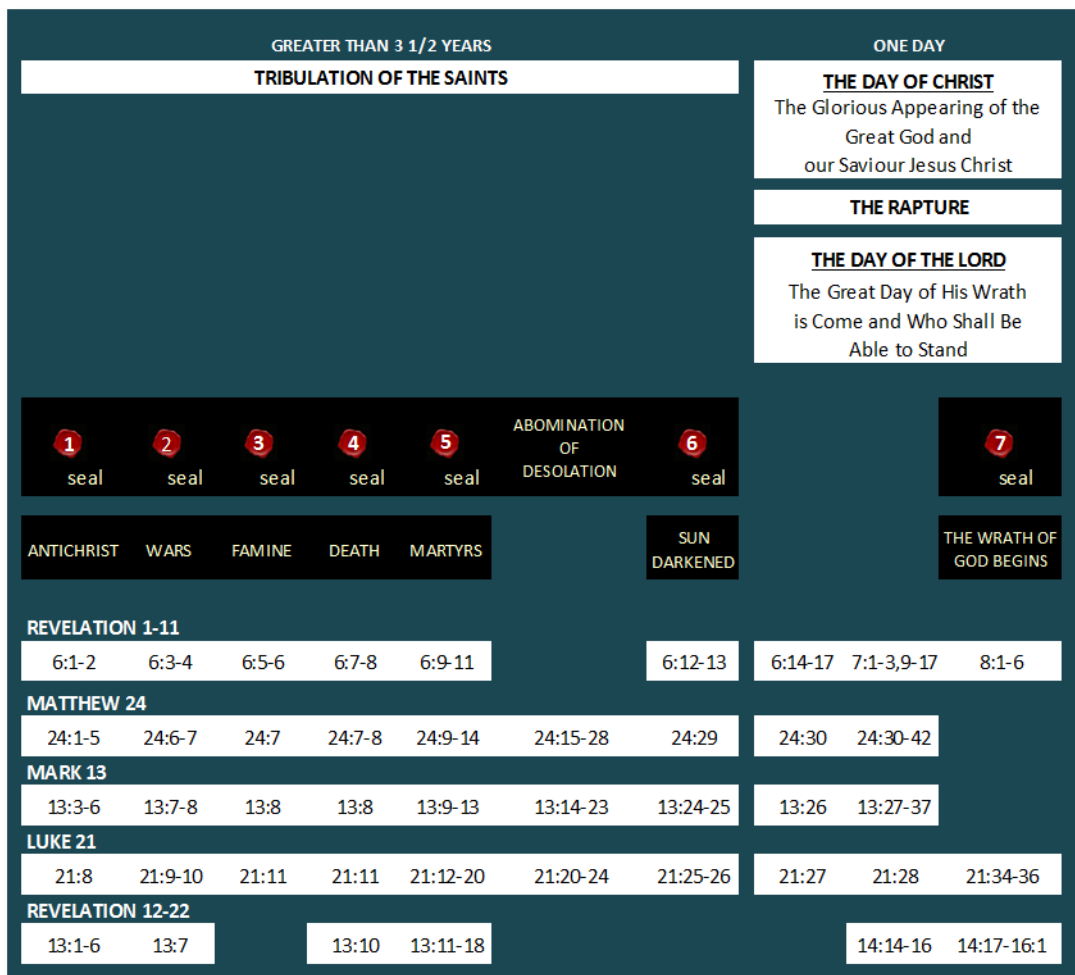
¹⁶ And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

¹⁷ For **the great day of his wrath is come**; and who shall be able to stand?

- ▶ When the sun and moon are darkened **then** is “the great day of His wrath” – present tense “is come.”

Tribulation ➤ The sun & moon darkened ➤ Great day of His wrath

- ▶ After the sun and moon are darkened is the beginning of God’s wrath
- ▶ There are no verses in the Bible showing God’s wrath is the tribulation



*The above chart is my attempt at replicating a section of the chart shown in the video.

What does “Tribulation” Mean?

- ▶ Many have a misconception that the tribulation is a seven-year period where God is pouring out His wrath. That is not what the tribulation is. That is not what the Bible teaches.
- ▶ The Word “tribulation” occurs 22 times in the New Testament. Shouldn’t one of these 22 verses teach us that the “rapture” occurs before the “tribulation”?

(Disciples Project addition to notes)

The ***Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*** defines “**Tribulation**,” in the New Testament, as follows:

Tribulation –**G2347** θλιψις thlipsis *thlip'-sis* from θλιβω - thlibo **2346**; **pressure** (literally or figuratively):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **afflicted(-tion), anguish, burdened, persecution, tribulation, trouble.**

2346 - θλιβω thlibo *thlee'-bo* akin to the base of τριβος - tribos **5147**; **to crowd** (literally or figuratively):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **afflict, narrow, throng, suffer tribulation, trouble.**

5147 - τριβος tribos *tree'-bos* from tribo (to "rub"; akin to teiro, truο, and the base of τραγος - tragos **5131**, **5134**); **a rut or worn track**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **path.**

Matthew 13:21 King James Version (KJV)

“Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.”

Matthew 24:21 King James Version (KJV)

“For then shall be great **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.”

Matthew 24:29 King James Version (KJV)

“Immediately after the **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ 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 King James Version (KJV)

“But in those days, after that **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,”

John 16:33 King James Version (KJV)

“These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have **tribulation**: ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”

Acts 14:22 King James Version (KJV)

“Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ enter into the kingdom of God.”

Romans 2:9 King James Version (KJV)

“**Tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;”

Romans 5:3 King James Version (KJV)

And not only so, but we glory in **tribulations** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ also: knowing that **tribulation** worketh patience;”

Romans 8:35 King James Version (KJV)

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?”

Romans 12:12 King James Version (KJV)

“Rejoicing in hope; patient in **tribulation**; ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ continuing instant in prayer;”

2 Corinthians 1:4 King James Version (KJV)

“Who comforteth us in all our **tribulation**, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”

2 Corinthians 7:4 King James Version (KJV)

“Great is my boldness of speech toward you, great is my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, I am exceeding joyful in all our **tribulation**. ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾”

Ephesians 3:13 King James Version (KJV)

“Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my **tribulations** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ for you, which is your glory.”

1 Thessalonians 3:4 King James Version (KJV)

“For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer **tribulation**; ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ even as it came to pass, and ye know.”

2 Thessalonians 1:4 King James Version (KJV)

“So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and **tribulations** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ that ye endure.”

2 Thessalonians 1:6 King James Version (KJV)

“Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ to them that trouble you;”

Revelation 1:9 King James Version (KJV)

“I John, who also am your brother, and companion in **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.”

Revelation 2:9 King James Version (KJV)

“I know thy works, and **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.”

Revelation 2:10 King James Version (KJV)

“Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

Revelation 2:22 King James Version (KJV)

“Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ except they repent of their deeds.”

Revelation 7:14 King James Version (KJV)

“And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great **tribulation**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”

*Because the King James Bible translated some verses using the word “**Tribulation**” and other verses using various other words those verses are also listed:*

Matthew 7:14 King James Version (KJV)

“Because strait is the gate, and **narrow** ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.”

Matthew 24:9 King James Version (KJV)

“Then shall they deliver you up to be **afflicted**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.”

Mark 3:9 King James Version (KJV)

“And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should **throng** ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ him.”

Mark 4:17 King James Version (KJV)

“And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when **affliction** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.”

Mark 13:19 King James Version (KJV)

“For in those days shall be **affliction**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.”

John 16:21 King James Version (KJV)

“A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the **anguish**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ for joy that a man is born into the world.”

Acts 7:10 King James Version (KJV)

“And delivered him out of all his **afflictions**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.”

Acts 7:11 King James Version (KJV)

“Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great **affliction**:⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and our fathers found no sustenance.”

Acts 11:19 King James Version (KJV)

“Now they which were scattered abroad upon the **persecution**⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.”

Acts 20:23 King James Version (KJV)

“Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and **afflictions**⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ abide me.”

1 Corinthians 7:28 King James Version (KJV)

“But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have **trouble**⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ in the flesh: but I spare you.”

2 Corinthians 1:4 King James Version (KJV)

“Who comforteth us in all our **tribulation**,⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ that we may be able to comfort them which are in any **trouble**,⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”

2 Corinthians 1:6 King James Version (KJV)

“And whether we be **afflicted**,⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ it is for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation.”

2 Corinthians 1:8 King James Version (KJV)

“For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our **trouble**⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:”

2 Corinthians 2:4 King James Version (KJV)

“For out of much **affliction**⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly unto you.”

2 Corinthians 4:8 King James Version (KJV)

“We are **troubled**⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;”

2 Corinthians 4:17 King James Version (KJV)

“For our light **affliction**,⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;”

2 Corinthians 6:4 King James Version (KJV)

“But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in **afflictions**,⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ in necessities, in distresses,”

2 Corinthians 7:5 King James Version (KJV)

“For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were **troubled**⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ on every side; without were fightings, within were fears.”

2 Corinthians 8:2 King James Version (KJV)

“How that in a great trial of **affliction** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality.”

2 Corinthians 8:13 King James Version (KJV)

“For I mean not that other men be eased, and ye **burdened**: ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾”

Philippians 1:16 King James Version (KJV)

“The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add **affliction** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ to my bonds:”

Philippians 4:14 King James Version (KJV)

“Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my **affliction**. ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾”

Colossians 1:24 King James Version (KJV)

“Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the **afflictions** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:”

1 Thessalonians 1:6 King James Version (KJV)

“And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much **affliction**, ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ with joy of the Holy Ghost.”

1 Thessalonians 3:3 King James Version (KJV)

“That no man should be moved by these **afflictions**: ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.”

1 Thessalonians 3:7 King James Version (KJV)

“Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our **affliction** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and distress by your faith:”

2 Thessalonians 1:6 King James Version (KJV)

“Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense **tribulation** ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ to them that **trouble** ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ you;”

2 Thessalonians 1:7 King James Version (KJV)

“And to you who are **troubled** ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,”

1 Timothy 5:10 King James Version (KJV)

“Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the **afflicted**, ⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ if she have diligently followed every good work.”

Hebrews 10:33 King James Version (KJV)

“Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and **afflictions**; ⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.”

Hebrews 11:37 King James Version (KJV)

“They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, **afflicted**,⁽²³⁴⁶⁾ tormented;”

James 1:27 King James Version (KJV)

“ Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their **affliction**,⁽²³⁴⁷⁾ and to keep himself unspotted from the world.”

- ▶ Shouldn't one of the above verses mention something about the rapture happening before the tribulation?
- ▶ God wants us to know the truth. The book of Revelation is to reveal not conceal.

This reminds me of the following:

Amos 3:6-7 King James Version (KJV)

“Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the Lord hath not done it?

⁷ Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.”

- ▶ Matthew 13:21 gives us further meaning of tribulation

Matthew 13:21 King James Version (KJV)

“Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when **tribulation or persecution** ariseth because of the word, by and by he is **offended**.”⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾

- The definition of “tribulation” is “persecution.”
- ▶ True believers will go through Tribulation for standing on the Word of God
- ▶ If we are rooted and grounded in what we believe, we are going to endure the tribulation (persecution).
- ▶ Tribulation is coupled with persecution. 90% of the time the New Testament is referring to believers.
- ▶ “Christians throughout history have gone through tribulation and our generation is not going to be any different.”
- ▶ John 16:33 states in the world we have tribulation

John 16:33 King James Version (KJV)

“ These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. **In the world ye shall have tribulation**: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”

- ▶ Jesus did not say we would avoid the tribulation.
- ▶ Jesus did say that if people are not rooted and grounded in Him they will be offended.

Matthew 13:20-21 King James Version (KJV)

“But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

²¹ Yet hath **he not root in himself**, but **dureth for a while**: for **when tribulation or persecution ariseth** because of the word, by and by **he is offended.**"

- ▶ Jesus warned us in advance that there will be persecution, tribulation, and trials in our lives so we will not be taken by surprise and become offended by Him.

John 16:4 King James Version (KJV)

"But **these things have I told you**, that **when the time shall come**, ye may **remember that I told you of them**. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you."

(Disciples Project addition to notes)

The **Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible** defines "Offend," in the New Testament, as follows:

Offended – 4624 σκανδαλιζω skandalizo *skan-dal-id'-zo* from σκανδαλον - skandalon **4625**; **to entrap**, i.e. trip up (figuratively, **stumble** (transitively) or **entice to sin, apostasy or displeasure**):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **(make to) offend**.

4625 - σκανδαλον skandalon *skan'-dal-on* ("**scandal**;" probably from a derivative of καμπτω - kampto **2578**; **a trap-stick (bent sapling)**, i.e. **snare** (figuratively, **cause of displeasure or sin**):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **occasion to fall (of stumbling), offence, thing that offends, stumblingblock**.

2578 - καμπτω kampto *kamp'-to* apparently a primary verb; **to bend**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **bow**.

Blue Letter Bible

Outline of Biblical Usage on the word "Offended" – (Strong's # 4624)

1. to put a stumbling block or impediment in the way, upon which another may trip and fall, metaph. to offend
 1. to entice to sin
 2. to cause a person to begin to distrust and desert one whom he ought to trust and obey
 1. to cause to fall away
 2. to be offended in one, i.e. to see in another what I disapprove of and what hinders me from acknowledging his authority
 3. to cause one to judge unfavourably or unjustly of another
 3. since one who stumbles or whose foot gets entangled feels annoyed
 1. to cause one displeasure at a thing
 2. to make indignant
 3. to be displeased, indignant

Blue Letter Bible

Outline of Biblical Usage on the word "Offended" – (Strong's # 4625)

1. the movable stick or trigger of a trap, a trap stick
 1. a trap, snare
 2. any impediment placed in the way and causing one to stumble or fall, (a stumbling block, occasion of stumbling) i.e. a rock which is a cause of stumbling

3. fig. applied to Jesus Christ, whose person and career were so contrary to the expectations of the Jews concerning the Messiah, that they rejected him and by their obstinacy made shipwreck of their salvation
2. any person or thing by which one is (entrapped) drawn into error or sin

Additional New Testament verses on “Offended”

Matthew 24:10 King James Version (KJV)

“And then shall many be **offended**,⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.”

Matthew 26:31 King James Version (KJV)

“Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be **offended**⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.”

Matthew 26:33 King James Version (KJV)

“Peter answered and said unto him, Though all men shall be **offended**⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ because of thee, yet will I never be **offended**.”⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾

Mark 4:17 King James Version (KJV)

“And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when **affliction or persecution** ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are **offended**.”⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾

Mark 14:27 King James Version (KJV)

“And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be **offended**⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.”

Mark 14:29 King James Version (KJV)

“But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be **offended**,⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ yet will not I.”

John 16:1 King James Version (KJV)

“These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾ not be **offended**.”⁽⁴⁶²⁴⁾

1 Peter 2:8 King James Version (KJV)

“And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of **offence**,⁽⁴⁶²⁵⁾ even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.”

1 John 2:10 King James Version (KJV)

“He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of **stumbling**⁽⁴⁶²⁵⁾ in him.”

Revelation 2:14 King James Version (KJV)

“But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a **stumblingblock**⁽⁴⁶²⁵⁾ before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.”

- ▶ Acts 14:22 says, “we must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God.”

Acts 14:22 King James Version (KJV)

“Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that **we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God**.”

- ▶ 2 Corinthians 7:4 says, “in all our tribulation.” It does not say we’re not going through tribulation.

2 Corinthians 7:4 King James Version (KJV)

“Great is my boldness of speech toward you, great is my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, I am exceeding joyful **in all our tribulation.**”

- ▶ Believers have always gone through tribulation.
- ▶ God has not lied to us, man has.
- ▶ Allow the Bible to define our truth.

This reminds me of the following:

2 Peter 1:19-21 King James Version (KJV)

“We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

²⁰ **Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.**

²¹ For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.”

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Interview with Dr. Kent Hovind

Dr. Kent Hovind, is a famous evangelist. He believed and preached the Pre-Tribulation Rapture for 38 years. Since he’s been in prison, he’s realized that the pre-tribulation rapture is not found in scripture.

Kent Hovind: “My name is Kent Hovind. I was a high school science teacher 15 years and then became an evangelist for 20 years teaching on creation and evolution.

And then I’ve been really concerned about my view of the end times and how it fit together with scripture, and I became convinced, oh, about three years ago, that what I’ve been taught all my life, is not true. I have had to switch, much to the dismay of many of my fundamental brethren, to the post-trib., pre-wrath position.

The Bible says the scoffers in the last days would be willingly ignorant of the creation, the flood, and the coming judgment.

Well I spent 20 years teaching all over the world about the creation and the flood, but I kind of avoided the coming judgment part because I didn’t understand it myself.

The book of Matthew, chapter 24, Jesus sermon which gives, you know the disciples asked Him very clearly, ok, what’s going to happen, what’s the sign of your coming and when is it going to happen. Matthew, the same story is told again in Mark chapter 13 and Luke chapter 21. So I copied pages from the Bible of all three of those passages and put em side-by-side to make a parallel accounts. And once you had picked out all the details, it just became more and more clear that the pre-trib. rapture idea just was not true.”

Pastor Stevenson: “Why do you think so many people believe in the pre-trib. rapture? Why is this doctrine so popular?”

Kent Hovind: “Well, it’s because it answers an embarrassing problem. The Christians couldn’t answer the questions about the dinosaurs, where do they fit. So they made up the (can’t make out the word) theory and fell for it.

I think the idea that this pre-trib. rapture fits into that type category where people are looking, they have itching ears. This is what they want to hear.”

Pastor Stevenson: “Right. Okay”

Kent Hovind: “They want to hear, hey, I won’t have to endure suffering. But Jesus said there’s coming a time of tribulation such as was not since the world began. I mean you think the Spanish Inquisition was bad, or the Nazi holocaust of the Jews was bad or the Roman persecution of the Christians. It’s going to be worse than all of those put together.”

Pastor Stevenson: “Wow! That’s amazing.”

Kent Hovind: “The world starts off with Cain killing Abel. The bad guys killing the good guys.”

Pastor Stevenson: “Right.”

Kent Hovind: “It’s been that way all through history. And Jesus told us, you know, when they kill you or when they persecute you, rejoice because your rewards are great in the kingdom of heaven.”

Pastor Stevenson: “Well, and if we, if we really take a Biblical definition of what tribulation means, you know, not what it’s been corrupted into meaning. If we actually take the Biblical definition of the tribulation, wouldn’t you say that you’re going through tribulation right now.”

Kent Hovind: “Oh yes. Tribulation is what the world does to us. That has already happened for thousands of years and Jesus said in the world ye shall have tribulation but be of good cheer I have already overcome the world. So, Christians should expect tribulation and we get great rewards if we go through it patiently.”

PARALLEL ACCOUNT		
Matthew 24	Mark 13	Luke 21
Destruction of the Temple		
<p>Matthew 24 King James Version (KJV) 24 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple. ² And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.</p>	<p>Mark 13 King James Version (KJV) 13 And as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here! ² And Jesus answering said unto him, Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.</p>	<p>Luke 21 King James Version (KJV) ⁵ And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said, ⁶ As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.</p>
The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age		
<p>³ And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? ⁴ And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. ⁵ For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.</p>	<p>³ And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled? ⁵ And Jesus answering them began to say, Take heed lest any man deceive you: ⁶ For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.</p>	<p>⁷ And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass? 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.</p>
<p>⁶ And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. ⁸ All these are the beginning of sorrows.</p>	<p>⁷ And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet. ⁸ For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorrows.</p>	<p>⁹ But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. ¹⁰ Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: ¹¹ And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.</p>
<p>⁹ 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. ¹⁰ And then shall many be offended,</p>	<p>⁹ But take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake,</p>	<p>¹² But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for</p>

PARALLEL ACCOUNT		
Matthew 24	Mark 13	Luke 21
<p>and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.</p> <p>¹¹ And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.</p> <p>¹² And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.</p> <p>¹³ But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.</p> <p>¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.</p>	<p>for a testimony against them.</p> <p>¹⁰ And the gospel must first be published among all nations.</p> <p>¹¹ But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.</p> <p>¹² Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.</p> <p>¹³ And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.</p>	<p>my name's sake.</p> <p>¹³ And it shall turn to you for a testimony.</p> <p>¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:</p> <p>¹⁵ For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.</p> <p>¹⁶ And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.</p> <p>¹⁷ And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake.</p> <p>¹⁸ But there shall not an hair of your head perish.</p> <p>¹⁹ In your patience possess ye your souls.</p>
The Great Tribulation		
<p>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:)</p> <p>¹⁶ Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:</p> <p>¹⁷ Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:</p> <p>¹⁸ Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.</p> <p>¹⁹ And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!</p> <p>²⁰ But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>¹⁴ But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains:</p> <p>¹⁵ And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter therein, to take any thing out of his house:</p> <p>¹⁶ And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.</p> <p>¹⁷ But woe to them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!</p> <p>¹⁸ And pray ye that your flight be not in the winter.</p> <p>¹⁹ For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>²⁰ And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.</p> <p>²¹ Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.</p> <p>²² For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.</p> <p>²³ But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.</p> <p>²⁴ And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.</p>

PARALLEL ACCOUNT		
Matthew 24	Mark 13	Luke 21
<p>²³ Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.</p> <p>²⁴ For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.</p> <p>²⁵ Behold, I have told you before.</p> <p>²⁶ Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.</p> <p>²⁷ For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.</p> <p>²⁸ For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.</p>	<p>²¹ And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not:</p> <p>²² For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.</p> <p>²³ But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.</p>	
The Coming of the Son of Man		
<p>²⁹ <u>Immediately after the tribulation</u> 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:</p>	<p>²⁴ <u>But in those days, after that tribulation,</u> the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,</p> <p>²⁵ And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.</p>	<p>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;</p> <p>²⁶ Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.</p>
The sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven		
<p>³⁰ 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 clouds of heaven with power and great glory.</p>	<p>²⁶ And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.</p>	<p>²⁷ And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.</p> <p>²⁸ And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	

PARALLEL ACCOUNT		
Matthew 24	Mark 13	Luke 21
The Parable of the Fig Tree		
<p>³² Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:</p> <p>³³ So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.</p> <p>³⁴ Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.</p> <p>³⁵ Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.</p>	<p>²⁸ Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:</p> <p>²⁹ So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors.</p> <p>³⁰ Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.</p> <p>³¹ Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.</p>	<p>²⁹ And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;</p> <p>³⁰ When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.</p> <p>³¹ So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.</p> <p>³² Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.</p> <p>³³ Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.</p>
No One Knows the Day or Hour		
<p>³⁶ But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.</p> <p>³⁷ But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.</p> <p>³⁸ For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,</p> <p>³⁹ And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.</p> <p>⁴⁰ Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.</p> <p>⁴¹ Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>³³ Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.</p> <p>³⁴ For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.</p>	
Take Heed and Watch		
<p>⁴² Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.</p> <p>⁴³ But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.</p> <p>⁴⁴ Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.</p>	<p>³⁵ Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:</p> <p>³⁶ Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.</p> <p>³⁷ And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>³⁵ For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.</p> <p>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.</p>

PARALLEL ACCOUNT		
Matthew 24	Mark 13	Luke 21
The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant		
<p>⁴⁵ Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?</p> <p>⁴⁶ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.</p> <p>⁴⁷ Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.</p> <p>⁴⁸ But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;</p> <p>⁴⁹ And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;</p> <p>⁵⁰ The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,</p> <p>⁵¹ And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.</p>		

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Timeline of Events

- ▶ Revelation 1 starts at the time of Christ.
- ▶ First eleven chapters of the Book of Revelation follow a chronology.
- ▶ Chapter 12 takes us back to the birth of Jesus and proceeds forward in time from there.

Revelation 12:1-5 King James Version (KJV)
 “And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:
² And she being with **child** cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.
³ And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a **great red dragon**, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
⁴ And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and **the dragon** stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.
⁵ And she brought forth a **man child**, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and **her child** was caught up unto God, and to his throne.”

- The child who will rule all nations with a rod of iron is Jesus Christ.

Psalm 2:7-9 King James Version (KJV)

“I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

⁸ Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

⁹ **Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron;** thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”

Revelation 19:11-16 King James Version (KJV)

“And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

¹² His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

¹³ And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

¹⁴ And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

¹⁵ And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and **he shall rule them with a rod of iron:** and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

¹⁶ And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords.”

Revelation 12:7-12 King James Version (KJV)

“And there was **war in heaven:** Michael and his angels fought against **the dragon;** and **the dragon** fought and his angels,

⁸ And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

⁹ And **the great dragon** was **cast out,** that **old serpent,** called **the Devil,** and **Satan,** which deceiveth **the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out** with him.

¹⁰ And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for **the accuser of our brethren is cast down,** which accused them before our God day and night.

¹¹ And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

¹² Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth** and of the sea! for **the devil is come down** unto you, having great wrath, because **he knoweth that he hath but a short time.”**

1. There is a war in heaven
2. The Great dragon (Satan) loses the battle
3. Because Satan loses the battle he and his fallen angels are cast down out of heaven to the earth

Jesus said the prince of this world has been judged and He saw Satan fall from heaven.

John 12:30-32 King James Version (KJV)

“Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.

³¹ **Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.**

³² And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

John 16:7-12 King James Version (KJV)

“Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

⁸ And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

⁹ Of sin, because they believe not on me;

¹⁰ Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

¹¹ **Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.**

¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.”

Luke 10:17-20 King James Version (KJV)

“And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

¹⁸ And he said unto them, **I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.**

¹⁹ Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

²⁰ Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.”

Paul referred to Satan as the prince of the power of the air.

Ephesians 2:1-3 King James Version (KJV)

“And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

² Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to **the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:**

³ Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.”

4. Satan knows he only has a little time
5. Satan goes to persecute the believers.

Revelation 12:13-17 King James Version (KJV)

“And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

¹⁴ And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

¹⁵ And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

¹⁶ And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

¹⁷ And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and **went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.**"

6. Many catastrophic things will occur on the earth (wars, famine, pestilence, earthquakes, etc.).
7. Out of all of this, a one-world government and the antichrist will emerge.

Book of Revelation			
Chapter	Event	Chapter	Order of Events
1 2 3 4 5	First Century A.D.	12	Satan Cast out of Heaven Satan now on earth with his demons (fallen angels) 1 Peter 5:8 "seeking whom he may devour" Rev 12:7-12 War in heaven
6	Tribulation	13	Anti-Christ One Word Government Power given to Antichrist A decoy or fake Christ. Says he is Christ John 5:43 another will come in his own name and be received
7	Rapture	14	
8 9 10 11	Wrath of God	16	
	Babylon	17 18	
	Armageddon	19	
	White Throne	20	
	New Heaven and New Earth	21 22	

Who is the Antichrist?

- ▶ “Antichrist” is a Biblical term

1 John 2:17-22 King James Version (KJV)

“And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

¹⁸ Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that **antichrist** shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

²⁰ But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

²¹ I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. ²² Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is **antichrist**, that denieth the Father and the Son.”

1 John 4:2-3 King James Version (KJV)

“Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

³ And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of **antichrist**, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.”

2 John 1:7 King James Version (KJV)

“For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an **antichrist**.”

The *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible* defines “**Antichrist**” as follows:

Antichrist – 500 ἀντιχριστος antichristos *an-tee'-khris-tos* from ἀντι - anti 473 and Χριστος - Christos 5547; **an opponent of the Messiah**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **antichrist**.

473 - ἀντι anti *an-tee'* a primary particle; **opposite**, i.e. **instead or because of** (rarely in addition to):-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **for, in the room of. Often used in composition to denote contrast, requital, substitution, correspondence, etc.**

5547 – Χριστος Christos *khris-tos'* from χριω - chrio 5548; **anointed, i.e. the Messiah, an epithet of Jesus**:-- (Translated in the King James Version as) **Christ**.

- ▶ Before Jesus’ return, there will be a decoy or fake Christ. The antichrist will claim to be the 2nd coming of Christ but he is an impostor.
- ▶ By convincing Christians that Jesus will come at any time, it sets them up to accept a false Christ.

- ▶ 1 John 2:18 says, “even now are there many antichrists.” Who are the many?

1 John 2:18 King James Version (KJV)

“¹⁸Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that **antichrist** shall come, even now are **there many antichrists**; whereby we know that it is the last time.

- According to 1 John 2:22, the many must believe that there is a Christ; but it is not Jesus. It also helps define the meaning of “antichrist.”

1 John 2:22 King James Version (KJV)

“Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is **antichrist**, that denieth the **Father and the Son.**”

- ▶ The Bible defines “Christ” as the “Messiah.”

John 1:41 King James Version (KJV)

“He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, **We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ.**”

The New King James Version (NKJV) translates the above verse as follows:

John 1:41 New King James Version (NKJV)

“He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “**We have found the Messiah**” (which is translated, the Christ).”

- ▶ Is there a religion that says Messiah is coming but it is not Jesus?
 - Jews – Still waiting for their messiah
 - Many Christians –
 1. Who believe Jesus can come back at any moment
 2. Not saved
 3. Those who don’t really believe the truth
 - Muslims – Waiting on their great prophet and messiah
 - Muslims believe the following were great prophets and each one that followed brought more truth and insight. Therefore, to them, Muhammad is greater than Jesus is. However, the coming prophet – Al-Mahdi (the 12th imam) - will be greater than Muhammad and will bring the next level of illumination. They await the Imam Mahdi.
 - Abraham
 - Moses
 - Jesus
 - Muhammad
 - Awaiting Imam [Al-Mahdi](#) (12th Imam)
 - The Buddhist are waiting for the 5th Buddha
- ▶ All the major religions will rally around the antichrist believing him to be their messiah.
- ▶ The antichrist is going to perform miracles, signs and wonders that will deceive many into believing in him.
- ▶ However, the saved or the “elect” will not believe in the antichrist.

Jesus has warned us ahead of time:

Matthew 24:20-27 New King James Version (NKJV)

“And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹ **For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.** ²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened.

²³ **“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe it. ²⁴ For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵ See, I have told you beforehand.**

²⁶ **“Therefore if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; or ‘Look, He is in the inner rooms!’ do not believe it. ²⁷ For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.**

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Cashless Society

- ▶ The Antichrist will demand everyone receive the “mark of the beast.” It will be in your right hand or in your forehead.

Revelation 13:16-17 King James Version (KJV)

“And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

¹⁷ And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”

- ▶ No one will be able to buy or sell without the “mark of the beast.”
- ▶ The United States Congress is preparing for a cashless society. Now 95%, or more, of all transactions have nothing to do with paper money or coins.
- ▶ Government will push the benefits of having a cashless society. They will tell us how beneficial it will be for us.
 - To safeguard our privacy
 - For Medical purposes
 - Help prevent crime
 - In case of emergency
 - Convenience



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- ▶ The One World Government will have power to force this on us.



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- ▶ The mark might be an implantable chip or tattoo. However, at this time the method is unknown.



[Biometrics](#)

[Radio-frequency identification](#)

- ▶ Cell phones are starting to have scanners. Could be used to scan the mark of the beast.



[Cell Phones & Barcodes](#)

- ▶ They are already putting chips in pets and want to chip our military. Again, they will press the benefits of having the mark. Some people are already doing this.



[How Pet Microchipping Works](#)

[The US Military Wants To 'Microchip' Troops](#)

- ▶ We see technology already in place that could be used for the “mark of the beast.”



[Establishment Pushing “Cashless Society” to Control Humanity](#)

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- ▶ Surveillance cameras and satellites are going up everywhere. Police are using drones with cameras to spy on us. They are installing microphones on street corners to listen into our conversations. We are quickly turning into a total surveillance society like in the dystopian novel [1984](#), by [George Orwell](#). It will be hard to escape this prison planet.



Congress Likely To Make Big Decisions On Drones Next Year

- ▶ If you won't worship the antichrist you will be killed. The Bible speaks of being beheaded.

Revelation 20:4 King James Version (KJV)

“And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: **and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God**, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.”

- ▶ Many believers will be killed for the cause of Christ. But it will be cut short.

Matthew 24:22 King James Version (KJV)

“And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.”

- ▶ Revelation 13:1-2 says Satan gives his power to the beast.

Revelation 13:1-5 King James Version (KJV)

“And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw **a beast** rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

² And **the beast** which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and **the dragon** gave him his **power**, and his **seat**, and **great authority**.

³ And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to **death**; and his deadly **wound was healed**: and all the world wondered after **the beast**.

⁴ And **they worshipped the dragon** which gave power unto **the beast**: and **they worshipped the beast**, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

⁵ And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue **forty and two months**.”

⁶ And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

⁷ And it was given unto him **to make war with the saints, and to overcome them**: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

In the Book of Daniel, it says the following:

Daniel 7:21-22 King James Version (KJV)

“I beheld, and **the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;**

²² Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.”

- ▶ The goal of the antichrist is to make war with the saints. “He doesn’t want Christians to take the mark of the beast to avoid persecution. He wants every Christian dead.”

Revelation 13:7-8 King James Version (KJV)

“And it was given unto him to **make war with the saints**, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

⁸ And **all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him**, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”

- ▶ Note that everyone will worship him, “whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb.”
- ▶ The Bible says the antichrist will be so believable that if it were possible he will fool even the “elect.” However, God will not allow the “elect” to be deceived.

Mark 13:21-23 King James Version (KJV)

“And **then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not:**

²² For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.

²³ But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.”

- ▶ The Bible is clear that you must worship the antichrist in order to receive the mark.
- ▶ Jesus said His disciples would be hated for His name’s sake.

Matthew 10:22 King James Version (KJV)

“And **ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake:** but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.”

Matthew 24:8-10 King James Version (KJV)

“All these are the beginning of sorrows.

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.”

Mark 13:12-13 King James Version (KJV)

“**Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.**

¹³ And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.”

Luke 6:22-23 King James Version (KJV)

“Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and **cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.**

²³ Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.”

John 12:25-26 King James Version (KJV)

“He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

²⁶ **If any man serve me, let him follow me;** and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.”

John 15:18-20 King James Version (KJV)

“If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.

¹⁹ If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

²⁰ Remember the word that I said unto you, **The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you;** if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.”

- ▶ The antichrist will carry out Satan’s war against the saints (elect).

Revelation 13:11-15 King James Version (KJV)

“And I beheld **another beast** coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns **like a lamb**, and **he spake as a dragon.**

¹² And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, **and causeth the earth** and them which dwell therein **to worship the first beast**, whose deadly wound was healed.

¹³ And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

¹⁴ And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of **the beast**; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make **an image to the beast**, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

¹⁵ And he had power to give life unto **the image of the beast**, that **the image of the beast** should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship **the image of the beast** should be killed.

- ▶ What is “the image of the beast?” We do not yet know what this will be.

- However, it brings to mind the image in the Book of Daniel.

Daniel 3:1-18 King James Version (KJV)

“**Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold**, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

² Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the

provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

³ Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

⁴ Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,

⁵ That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

⁶ And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

⁷ Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

⁸ **Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.**

⁹ They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.

¹⁰ Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

¹¹ And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

¹² There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

¹³ Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.

¹⁴ Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?

¹⁵ Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.

¹⁷ **If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.**

¹⁸ **But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up."**

- ▶ The "mark of the beast" is a tool Satan will use to make war with the saints. If you cannot buy or sell, you cannot provide for yourself or your loved ones. Moreover, you have a death sentence on you, which will make it hard for you to survive.

Revelation 13:16-18 King James Version (KJV)

"And he causeth **all**, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a **mark** in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

¹⁷ And that **no man might buy or sell**, save he that had the **mark**, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

¹⁸ Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is **Six hundred threescore and six**.

- ▶ Christians today are not ready for any of this. We must prepare ourselves spiritually. Christ has warned us. Will we take His warning to heart and get prepared.

Video Time 1:19:20

The Doctrine of “Imminence”

- ▶ Most Christians are not being warned in their churches. Instead, they are being told the rapture will take place before the antichrist comes on the scene and carries out his war on the saints.
- ▶ Christians are being taught the doctrine of “imminence.” That Christ can return at any moment. However, the Bible teaches Jesus’ coming is not imminent. There are other events that must take place first.
- ▶ Some Christians are quick to respond, “no man knows the day or hour of His coming.” They use this verse to support the claim of “imminence.”

Matthew 24:36 King James Version (KJV)

“But of **that day** and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.”

- In the above verse Jesus is referring to a specific day – “of that day.” Moreover, according to Matthew 24:29 “that day” is after the tribulation.

Matthew 24:29 King James Version (KJV)

“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:”

Verses in context

Matthew 24:29-36 King James Version (KJV)

“**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:

³⁰ **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 clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

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.

³² Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

³³ So likewise ye, **when ye shall see all these things**, know that it is near, even at the doors.

³⁴ Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

³⁵ Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

³⁶ **But of that day and hour knoweth no man**, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.”

- ▶ There is nothing in the Bible that says the rapture will take place before the tribulation. The Pre-Tribulation doctrine is based on tradition. It does not have its origins in the Bible.
- ▶ The Pre-Tribulation rapture is a popular doctrine with church leaders. Many are afraid of being ostracized by other church leaders. Others don't want to admit they are mistaken or that their Bible College or seminary taught them wrong.

Galatians 1:10 King James Version (KJV)

“For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.”

- ▶ The Pre-Tribulation rapture is a perfect example of man taking what man says instead of taking what God says. “A classic example of not making the Bible your final authority.”

2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 King James Version (KJV)

“Now we beseech you, brethren, **by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ**, and by our gathering together unto him,

² 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.

³ **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**;

⁴ Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.”

- ▶ 2 Things That Must Happen Before Rapture
 1. Falling Away (Apostasy)
 2. Man of Sin Revealed
- ▶ What is imminent is that the antichrist is coming.
- ▶ Luke 17 comes chronologically before Luke 21. It is the first recorded incident of Jesus teaching about this doctrine.

Luke 17:26-30 King James Version (KJV)

“And as it was in **the days of Noe [Noah]**, so shall it be also **in the days of the Son of man [Jesus Christ]**.

²⁷ They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

²⁸ Likewise also as it was **in the days of Lot**; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

²⁹ But **the same day** that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

³⁰ Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

- In both instances, the believers were brought out before the wrath of God began. The same will apply in the future. The remaining believers will be raptured before the wrath of God begins – not before the tribulation.
- ▶ Those who teach the pre-tribulation rapture try to use Revelation 4:1 as one of their justifying verses for their doctrine. There is nothing else in the Book of Revelation for them to latch onto.

Revelation 4:1-2 King James Version (KJV)

“**After this** I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was **as it were of a trumpet** talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew **thee** things which must be **hereafter**.

² And immediately **I** was in **the spirit**: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

- The voice is like a trumpet. However, it was not a trumpet.
- The voice is speaking to John (singular), for John to “come up hither.”
- In verse 2, John says he was in the spirit and beheld a throne in heaven.
- The rapture is not in the spirit but a bodily resurrection, according to 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17.

With all the detail given in the Book of Revelation, the Pre-tribulation rapture is not mentioned. Don’t you think that is rather odd?

The Book of Revelation Chapters 7 thru 11 Sequences of Events

Revelation 7-11 King James Version (KJV)

“And **after these things** I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

² And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

³ Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

⁴ And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

⁵ Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.

⁶ Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.

⁷ Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.

⁸ Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

⁹ **After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;**

¹⁰ And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

¹¹ And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

¹² Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

¹³ **And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?**

¹⁴ 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.**

¹⁵ **Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.**

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

¹⁷ **For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.**

8 And **when he had opened the seventh seal**, there was **silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.**

² **And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.**

³ And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

⁴ And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

⁵ And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

⁶ **And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.**

⁷ **The first angel sounded**, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

⁸ And **the second angel sounded**, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;

⁹ And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.

¹⁰ And **the third angel sounded**, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;

¹¹ And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.

¹² And **the fourth angel sounded**, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

¹³ And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, **Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!**

9 And **the fifth angel sounded**, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

² And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

³ And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

⁴ And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

⁵ And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

⁶ And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

⁷ And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.

⁸ And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.

⁹ And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

¹⁰ And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.

¹¹ And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

¹² **One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.**

¹³ And **the sixth angel sounded**, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

¹⁴ Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

¹⁵ And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

¹⁶ And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

¹⁷ And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

¹⁸ By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

¹⁹ For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

²⁰ And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

²¹ **Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.**

10 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

² And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth,

³ And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

⁴ And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.

⁵ And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,
⁶ And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:

⁷ **But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.**

⁸ And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.

⁹ And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.

¹⁰ And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.

¹¹ And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

11 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

² But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.

³ And **I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days**, clothed in sackcloth.

⁴ These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

⁵ And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

⁶ These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

⁷ And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

⁸ And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

⁹ And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

¹⁰ And **they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them**, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; **because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.**

¹¹ And after three days and an half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.

¹² And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

¹³ And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

¹⁴ The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

¹⁵ And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, **The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.**

¹⁶ And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

¹⁷ Saying, **We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.**

¹⁸ And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth.

¹⁹ And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.”

Revelation 1:7 King James Version (KJV)

“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.”

CONCLUSION

The information presented in *After the Tribulation* and in these notes may be frightening and overwhelming; nevertheless, it is true. However, I hope the following words, from the [Book of Wisdom](#), or Wisdom of Solomon, will encourage you.

[Wisdom 2:12-24; 3:1-9](#)

Wis.2

"Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training.

¹³ He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord.

¹⁴ He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;

¹⁵ the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange.

¹⁶ We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father.

¹⁷ Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;

¹⁸ for if the righteous man is God's son, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.

¹⁹ Let us test him with insult and torture, that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance.

²⁰ Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected."

²¹ Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them,

²² and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hope for the wages of holiness, nor discern the prize for blameless souls;

²³ for God created man for incorruption, and made him in the image of his own eternity,

²⁴ but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his party experience it."

Wis.3

"But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.

² In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction,

³ and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

⁴ For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.

⁵ Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

⁶ like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

⁷ In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.

⁸ They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever.

⁹ Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect, and he watches over his holy ones."