

REVIEW

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| Matthew 24:4-15 | General Conditions of the Final Age (Now, Not Yet) |
| Matthew 24:15-31 | Specific Signs of Jesus' Second Coming (When You See) |
| Daniel 9 | The Final Week (7 Years) of Daniel's Prophecy |
| | 1. Begins with a covenant of 7 years |
| | 2. Worship will begin again in the Temple |
| | 3. Midpoint of the 7 years – Covenant Broken / Desecration – Mt. 24:15 |
| | 4. At The End of the 7 Years – Matthew 24:29-31 |

Matthew 24:29-31

v.29

v.30

v.31

Is the rapture mentioned anywhere in Jesus' answer to the two questions, "when will the temple be destroyed" and "when will Jesus return and bring an end?"

What is the "rapture?"

1 Thessalonians 4

v.13

v.14

v.15

v.16a

v.16b

v.17

"rapture" raptus (L) = carry off rapture (ME, F) = seize, kidnap

Parousia (Gk) = catching up, catching away

When is this transformation that will take place when we are "caught up?" 1 Corinthians 15:50-55

v.50

v.51

v.52-54

The rapture is an eschatological event when Christians will rise into the sky, be transformed and given eternal bodies, and be with Jesus forever after.

4 Main Views of When the Rapture will Occur

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| 1. Pre-Tribulation | at the beginning of the 7 years |
| 2. Mid-Tribulation | at the desecration and beginning of the Great tribulation |
| 3. Pre-Wrath | near the end of the 7 years |
| 4. Post-Tribulation | at the end as Jesus' returns |

Pretribulational View – Rapture At Beginning Of 7 Years

- Daniel 9 = 70 weeks for the Hebrews & Jerusalem (not the Gentiles & the church)
- We Live In The Church Age – In-Between week 69 & week 70 (Romans 11:25)
- The last week is about Israel – the church is raptured
- Must happen before the wrath of God because of 1 Thess. 1:9-10; 5:1-3

“rescues” – to free from harm or evil, to pull out, drag, draw to oneself

“from” – out from among, from the time of

When is the wrath of God released?

What is our relationship to the outpouring of God's wrath?

He either removes us FROM it or preserves us THROUGH it.

1:10 “from” it

5:9 not appointed “to” it (Rev. 3:10)

5:11 “comfort one another”

1:10 expect his coming imminently

- Nothing has to happen for the rapture to occur
- All the things in Matthew 24 29-31 must happen before Jesus comes
- Waiting implies expectancy, to be prepared now