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1 Corinthians 15:52 (NKJV)

10. The rapture

Matthew 24:29-31 (NKJV)

21 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. 29 "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.

What does this passage tell us about God's people and the tribulation?

We will be going through the tribulation as it is part of the Abomination of Desolation.

Luke 21:25-28 (NKJV)

25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; 26 men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

What can we see will happen after right the great tribulation and right before the Jesus comes back on the clouds?

There will be signs in the sky and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. This is a future event still to happen that will grip the very hearts of every man.

Matthew 24:30-31 (NKJV)

30 Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Luke 21:27-28 (NKJV)

27 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near."

What do we see in Matthew 24:31 will happen when Jesus returns.

Jesus will send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet and then gather His people from the whole earth.

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1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 (NKJV)

16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

Revelation 8:2 (NKJV)

And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.

Revelation 11:15 (NKJV)

Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"

What does this say about the last trumpet sound and when the rapture takes place in the book of Revelation?

The last trumpet sound in the book of Revelation is in chapter 11 verse 15. This shows us that the rapture has not happened yet, as some preach. It is at this point in the book of Revelation that we begin to see the rapture take place.

Revelation 14:12 (NKJV)

Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

Revelation 14:14 (NKJV)

14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat One like 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 who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." 16 So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

Who is the Son of Man on the cloud and what will the harvest be that He will reap from the earth?

The Son of Man is Jesus Christ and the harvest that He will reap are His people. This is clearly the rapture that takes place in the book of Revelation. After this point, we are no long on the earth. Chapter 15 goes into greater detail about those who endured the mark of the beast, and chapter 16 talks about the wrath of God.

Matthew 24:29-30 (NKJV)

29 "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. 30 Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

2 Thessalonians 2:7-9 (NKJV)

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. 9 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders.

Revelation 19:19 (NKJV)

19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. 20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

What happens with the Antichrist when Jesus comes again and when does it happen?
Jesus destroys the Antichrist by His coming to earth and throws him into the lake of fire. The Antichrist will be destroyed right after the great tribulation. This shows us that the rapture and the second coming of Christ are very close together.

2 Peter 3:3-4, 10 (NKJV)

3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

What does it say about those who mock and the return of Jesus Christ?

The skeptics were declaring "Where is the promise of Christ's coming because this has not happened yet, including the rapture. What is mentioned here proves that with His coming will be the dissolving of the universe.

1 Corinthians 15:22-23 (NKJV)

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. 23 But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

What does it say will happen at the coming of Christ?

All Christians are resurrected at the coming of Christ.

Matthew 24:32-35 (NKJV)

32 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. 33 So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! 34 Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

Matthew 24:36-44 (NKJV)

36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

What does this say?

Nobody knows the day that Jesus will come back, but we are to be ready and watch for the signs of the end times, because it is fast approaching!

11. The wrath of God

Revelation 14:17-20 (NKJV)

17 Then 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, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe." 19 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. 20 And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs.

What is this verse talking about?

The wrath of God

Revelation 19:15 (NKJV)

Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Who is the one that will tread the winepress with the wrath of God?

Jesus Christ

Revelation 15:1 (NKJV)

Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous: seven angels having the seven last plagues, for in them the wrath of God is complete.

Revelation 15:2,5,7 (NKJV)

2 And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God.

5 After these things I looked, and behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened.

7 Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God who lives forever and ever.

Who are the ones that had victory over the Antichrist?

Christians are the ones who will go through the great tribulation and must resist the mark of the beast. Here, they were either killed or endured until the end and were raptured to meet Christ in the air.

What happens after the harvest on the earth is reaped and we are gathered together with Christ?

We see that after the event with Christians and the mark of the beast that the wrath of God will be poured out upon the earth.

Revelation 16:1,6 (NKJV)

1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth."

6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. for it is their just due.

Who is the wrath of God for?

The wrath of God is for those who resist and do not turn to God.

How long is the wrath of God in the book of Revelation?

The wrath of God is from Revelation 14:17-20:3

12. Christ's second coming

Revelation 19:11-21 (NKJV)

11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. 12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had[e] a name written that no one knew except Himself. 13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. 15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. 17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, 18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."

When does this happen in relation to the rapture and the wrath of God?

It happens all at the same time. After the tribulation, we will be gathered together in the air (raptured) and then Jesus Christ will come down and trend out the wrath of God on the earth. It indicates that we will be with Jesus Christ at this time as well.

Revelation 19:19-21 (NKJV)

19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. 20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. 21 And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.

What happens to the beast and the false prophet?

The beast was captured with the false prophet and thrown into the lake of fire.

13. 1,000 year reign

Revelation 20:2 (NKJV)

He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years

Revelation 20:4 (NKJV)

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands.

What is the only religion or organization that beheads people?

Islam. That may change in the near future but Islam is currently the only one.

14. Satan's last stand

Revelation 20:7-10 (NKJV)

7 Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison 8 and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea. 9 They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. 10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

When does this happen?

Not until the thousand years are done after Christ returns.

Where was the devil cast into?

He was cast into the lake of fire where the beast and the false prophet are.

15. Judgment seat

Revelation 20:11-15 (NKJV)

11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. 13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Who were judged according to their works?

The dead. All those who did not follow Christ will be judged for everything they did?

What will happen to them?

They will then be cast into the lake of fire?

16. New earth

Revelation 21:1-4 (NKJV)

1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. 2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. 4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

What will this new earth be like?

What will we do on the new earth?

What kind of mansion will you have?

*Here is a timeline of the end time events that will take place.

