

Part A

**O.T. Saints
(Firstfruits)**



Part B

**Church Age Saints
(Harvest)**



Part C

**Tribulation Saints
(Ingatherings)**



Church Age

7 Yr. Tribulation

THE RAPTURE

A. Firstfruits – O.T. Saints:

1 Corinthians 15:20, 23

But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.

23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

THE RAPTURE

A. Firstfruits – O.T. Saints:

Matthew 27:51-53

And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

THE RAPTURE

B. Main Harvest – N.T. (Church Age) Saints:

1 Corinthians 15:23

...they that are Christ's at his coming.

1 Corinthians 15:51

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

THE RAPTURE

C. Ingathering, gleaning – Tribulation Saints:

1 Corinthians 15:24

Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

THE RAPTURE

C. Ingathering, gleaning – Tribulation Saints:

Matthew 24:37, 40-42

But as the days of Noe *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

40 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.

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C. Ingathering, gleaning – Tribulation Saints:

Revelation 14:14-16

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.

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C. Ingathering, gleaning – Tribulation Saints:

Revelation 14:14-16

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

THE RAPTURE

Revelation 4:1 ...I Will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

Hereafter — The tribulation is after the rapture. The church disappears and Israel reappears

Jeremiah 30:7

Alas! for that day *is* great, so that none *is* like it: it *is* even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.

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Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

THE RAPTURE

Daniel 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate

THE RAPTURE

The entire prophecy has to do with Daniel's people, Israel, and Daniel's city, Jerusalem.

The 70 weeks represent 7 years per week or a total of 490 years.

It is broken down into lesser periods, 7 weeks, 62 weeks, and 1 week.

The commandment to restore and build Jerusalem is from Nehemiah 2 and occurred in 445 BC. The street and wall were built 49 years later. $70-7=63$ weeks or $490-49=441$ years.

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After 62 weeks, the Messiah would come and be killed. $63-62=1$ week or $441-434=7$ years.

The 70th week is marked by a covenant that will be broken in the middle of the week, or 3 1/2 years into it.

Upon completion of the 70th week, there will be an end of sins, reconciliation, everlasting righteousness, and the anointing of the most holy.

THE RAPTURE

**The tribulation is 7 years long, not 3½.
It is divided into two 3 ½ year periods.**

Matthew 24:1-3

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.

THE RAPTURE

The tribulation is 7 years long, not 3½.
It is divided into two 3 ½ year periods.

Matthew 24:1-3

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?

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Compare:

- Matthew 24:4,5 with Revelation 6:1,2
- Matthew 24:6 with Revelation 6:3,4
- Matthew 24:7,8 with Revelation 6:5-8
- Matthew 24:9-13 with Revelation 6:9-11

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Matthew 24:4,5

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.

Revelation 6:1,2

And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Matthew 24:6

And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

Revelation 6:3, 4

And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.

4 And there went out another horse *that was* red: and *power* was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Matthew 24:7,8

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.

Revelation 6:5-8

And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

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1. When shall these things be?

Revelation 6:5-8

6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.

8 And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Matthew 24:9-13

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.

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

THE RAPTURE

1. When shall these things be?

Revelation 6:9-11

And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

THE RAPTURE

2. Sign of thy coming?

Compare • Matthew 24:15

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:)

with • Daniel 9:27

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it desolate*, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

THE RAPTURE

2. Sign of thy coming?

and • 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4

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.

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