

# Chapter Thirteen

## The Olivet Discourse-Part Three

Matthew 24:1-51; Mark 13:1-37; Luke 21:5-37

### I. Birth Pains of The Great Tribulation.

This time in history will be a terrible time for those that will be here.

### II. The Jewish Remnant. (Matt. 24:16-20, Mark 13:14-18, Luke 21:20-24)

**Matthew 24:16-20 (NKJV)** <sup>16</sup> then **let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.** <sup>17</sup> Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. <sup>18</sup> And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. <sup>19</sup> But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! <sup>20</sup> And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on **the Sabbath.**

**Mark 13:14-18 (NKJV)** <sup>14</sup> "So when you see the '*abomination of desolation,*' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not" (let the reader understand), **"then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.** <sup>15</sup> Let him who is on the housetop not go down into the house, nor enter to take anything out of his house. <sup>16</sup> And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. <sup>17</sup> But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! <sup>18</sup> And pray that your flight may not be in winter.

**Luke 21:20-24 (NKJV)** <sup>20</sup> "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. <sup>21</sup> Then let **those who are in Judea flee to the mountains,** let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her. <sup>22</sup> For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. <sup>23</sup> But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people. <sup>24</sup> And **they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations.** And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. (A **foreshadow of a future event**)

Many bible scholars believe that during the Tribulation there will be a remnant that will flee to Petra.

### III. The Great Tribulation. (Matt. 24:21-22, Mark 13:19-20)

**Matthew 24:21-22 (NKJV)** <sup>21</sup> 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. <sup>22</sup> And unless

those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; **but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.**

*Mark 13:19-20 (NKJV)* <sup>19</sup> For *in* those days there will be **tribulation**, such as has not been since the beginning of the creation which God created until this time, nor ever shall be. <sup>20</sup> And unless the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh would be saved; **but for the elect's sake, whom He chose, He shortened the days.**

As was stated above these will be perilous times. We will study these in more detail when we study the “**abomination of desolation**” that was mentioned by Jesus and is found in the book of Daniel.

#### IV. Signs and Wonders, The Great Deception. (Matt. 24:23-26, Mark 13:21-23)

*Matthew 24:23-26 (NKJV)* <sup>23</sup> Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here *is* the Christ!' or 'There!' do not believe *it*. <sup>24</sup> For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, **if possible, even the elect.** <sup>25</sup> **See, I have told you beforehand.** <sup>26</sup> 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*.

*Mark 13:21-23 (NKJV)* <sup>21</sup> Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here *is* the Christ!' or, 'Look, *He is* there!' do not believe *it*. <sup>22</sup> For false christs and false prophets will rise and show signs and wonders to deceive, **if possible, even the elect.** <sup>23</sup> But take heed; see, **I have told you all things beforehand.**

*Luke 17:22-23 (NKJV)* <sup>22</sup> Then He said to the disciples, "The days will come when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see *it*. <sup>23</sup> And they will say to you, 'Look here!' or 'Look there!' Do not go after *them* or follow *them*. (Ref.)

There will come a time when, the people who have rejected the truth and have hardened their heart to the love and power of God like Pharaoh did will believe deceptive signs and wonders that God has allowed. The “**elect**” I believe are the Jewish people.

*2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 (NKJV)* <sup>9</sup> The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, **with all power, signs, and lying wonders,** <sup>10</sup> **and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.** <sup>11</sup> And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, <sup>12</sup> that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

## V. The Second Coming of Christ. (Matthew 24:27, Luke 17:24)

*Matthew 24:27 (NKJV)* <sup>27</sup> For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

*Luke 17:24 (NKJV)* <sup>24</sup> For as the lightning that flashes out of one *part* under heaven shines to the other *part* under heaven, so also the Son of Man will be in His day.

Before continuing with our study on end times I would like to explain, “**The Coming of Jesus**” for the church, which we know as **the rapture**, the resurrection of the church. It’s always fascinating to know about coming events but this is not the crust of things. Adrian Rodgers states “We are on a collision course with destiny whether we understand the future events or not”. <sup>1</sup>

*Amos 3:7(NKJV)* <sup>7</sup> Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.

God in his infinite love and wisdom gave his servants the prophets of old, **Inspiration** to write the **Revelation** that he showed them. We must pray for the **Illumination** of what is written (**We sometimes call it revelation but in reality, it is not new revelation**).

Even though God gives us glimpses of the future, Adrian Rodgers states: “We have to get our heads out of the clouds of prophecy and put our feet on the pavement of soul winning.”<sup>2</sup> Do you know that there are no signs or events scripturally speaking, that must take place before the rapture of the church can happen. We must be ready.

*Matthew 24:36-44(TNIV)* <sup>36</sup>“**But about that day or hour no one knows**, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son,<sup>£</sup> but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. <sup>42</sup>“**Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.** <sup>43</sup>But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

*Matthew 25:1-13(TNIV)* <sup>1</sup>“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins

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<sup>1</sup> The Adrian Rodgers, Unveiling End Times In Our Time, (B&H Publishing Group, 2004) Pg. 66

<sup>2</sup> Adrian Rodgers, Unveiling The End Times In Our Time, (B&H Publishing Group, 2004) Pg. 6

who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. <sup>4</sup>The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. <sup>6</sup>“At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’” <sup>7</sup>“Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’” <sup>9</sup>“‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’” <sup>10</sup>“But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>“Later the others also came. ‘Sir! Sir!’ they said. ‘Open the door for us!’” <sup>12</sup>“But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’” <sup>13</sup>“**Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.**”

*Luke 12:39-40(NKJV)* <sup>39</sup>But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would <sup>£</sup>have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. <sup>40</sup>Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming **at an hour you do not expect.**”

*1 Thessalonians 5:1-6(NKJV)* <sup>1</sup>But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord **so comes as a thief in the night.** <sup>3</sup>For when they say, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. <sup>5</sup>You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. <sup>6</sup>Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us watch and be sober.

*2 Peter 3:8-10(TNIV)* <sup>8</sup>But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. <sup>10</sup>**But the day of the Lord will come like a thief.** The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.<sup>£</sup>

*Revelation 3:3(TNIV)* <sup>3</sup>Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent. But if you do not wake up, **I will come like a thief**, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

**Revelation 16:15(TNIV)** <sup>15</sup>“Look, **I come like a thief** ! Blessed are those who stay awake and keep their clothes on, so that they may not go naked and be shamefully exposed.”

The World We Live In ..... **is not a pretty one.**

John Elliott says it well...

“The escalating collapse of ethics and morals in many countries is a symptom of a deeper sickness and out-of-control internal problems. Many in our self-centered world seem hell-bent on living any way they please. Our societies stifle anyone who opposes their self-serving appetite. People weigh in for a bigger slice of the pleasure pie. They seem willing to do anything in their lust for power, possessions and prestige. Meanwhile, traditions, customs, culture and laws based on the Bible are casually cast aside. At almost every turn we see an escalation of brutality, violence, slander, theft and sexual perversion. In Western civilization this is matched with a determined effort to remove any mention of God and His standards from public life. The apostle Paul warned of an age like ours when he wrote that

"there will be *terrible times in the last days*. People will be **lovers of themselves**, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God . . ." (2 Timothy 3:1-4, NIV. Emphasis added throughout).

God's Word has forecast this slide into lawlessness and moral depravity since ancient times. Vivid descriptions of where it ultimately leads are mentioned widely throughout the Scriptures. More and more we live in societies that, the Bible forewarned, "*parade their sin like Sodom*; they do not hide it. Woe to them! *They have brought disaster upon themselves*" (Isaiah 3:9, NIV). [*Coming Calamities: Does God Offer Protection?* by John Elliott] <sup>3</sup>

In the New Testament, considering the **Second Advent** (Second Coming), we again have two pictures to consider, and they don't look the same. As before, these two different descriptions of Jesus coming, point to two separate events but fall under the umbrella of what is known as the second coming. The first event, we call "**The Rapture**". The second event, we call "**The Return with the Saints**", or the **glorious appearing**, or the **return after the tribulation** or what everyone calls it "**The Second Coming**".

Many people label His return at the end of the tribulation as "the second coming", and many pretrib teachers still use that term. I personally believe that term is misleading. I believe the entire process from the rapture to the return in glory after the tribulation, is all "**The Second**

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<sup>3</sup> (www.inplainsite.org/html/7\_seals\_mathew\_24.html?)

**Coming"**(Psalm 2:6-12; Zech.14:4). The **first coming** of Christ was when he appeared in the flesh and died on the cross, and appeared to the disciples several times after his resurrection (Psalm 22:6-8, 11-18; Isaiah 53:2-10). Just as all those appearing's are part of the "**first advent**", so too, is the appearing at the rapture and the appearing at the return seven years later, both are part of the "**second advent**" or "second appearing/coming".

The entire **second advent** is all part of the "Day of the Lord", which starts with the rapture. The fact that Jesus appears at Edom, and Bozrah, and Meggido or Armageddon and also on the Mt. of Olives, does not indicate two or three or four "other comings" after the tribulation. Therefore, neither is the rapture "another coming".

## VI. Review - (The Differences between the Rapture and the Second Coming)

### 1. The Rapture

A. Pretrib

B. Midtrib

C. Posttrib

This bible study is looked at from the pretrib point of view. I believe that scripture supports this viewpoint. So with this in mind let's look at our evidence.

Many people say that the word rapture is not found in the bible, which is true, but the word itself represents an action, something that happens.

The term rapture is clearly represented in the following passages.

**John 14:1-3 (NKJV)** <sup>1</sup> "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup> In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. **I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.**

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18(NKJV)** <sup>13</sup>But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. <sup>15</sup>For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. **<sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>Therefore comfort one another with these words.

The Latin translation of the bible used the word “**rapere**” which is the root of the English term “rapture.” Now the Greek translation of the bible uses the word “**Harpazo**” which means “to seize upon with force, or to snatch up”.

The Rapture is a part of the Church Age and therefore making it a part of the first resurrection which involves believers only. The Rapture is part of the “**Mystery doctrine**”. This refers to doctrines that apply to the Church only.

*Romans 16:25 (NKJV)* <sup>25</sup> Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, **according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began**

*1 Corinthians 15:50-58(NKJV)* <sup>50</sup> Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. <sup>51</sup>**Behold, I tell you a mystery:** We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: “*Death is swallowed up in victory.*” <sup>55</sup> “*O <sup>£</sup> Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?*” <sup>56</sup> <sup>£</sup> The sting of death *is* sin, and the strength of sin *is* the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

*Ephesians 3:1-11 (NKJV)* <sup>1</sup> For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles-- <sup>2</sup> if indeed you have heard of the **dispensation of the grace of God** which was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup> **how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery** (as I have briefly written already, <sup>4</sup> by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the **mystery of Christ**), <sup>5</sup> which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has **now been revealed by the Spirit** to His holy apostles and prophets: <sup>6</sup> **that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel**, <sup>7</sup> of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power. <sup>8</sup> To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to make all see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ; <sup>10</sup> to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*, <sup>11</sup> according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord,

*Philippians 3:20-21 (NKJV)* <sup>20</sup> For our citizenship is in heaven, **from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,** <sup>21</sup> who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

The Rapture marks the end of the church age. The Rapture of the Church is ‘imminent’. This means that it can happen at any time. The Rapture will deliver all believers in Jesus Christ from the Great Tribulation period in which God pours out his wrath upon mankind.

**Note:** The timing of the rapture cannot be determined, that is in the mind of God.

I believe, because of the following verses, the church will be snatched away (**the Harpazo**) before or some time near Daniel’s seventieth week. As was stated before, “the Rapture takes place near the end of the third chapter of Revelation. Chapter four opens with the words “after these things”. These words form a connecting link between a series of events that are already past and a series of events that are to follow.

Therefore, we look for the fulfillment of the word found in **John 14:3** and **1 Thess. 4:13-18** between chapter three and four of Revelation.” <sup>4</sup>

*Daniel 9:27(NKJV)* <sup>27</sup>**Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week;** But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate.”

*2 Thessalonians 2:1-12(NKJV)* <sup>1</sup>Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and **our gathering together to Him,** we ask you, <sup>2</sup>not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of <sup>£</sup>Christ had come. <sup>3</sup>**Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of <sup>£</sup>sin is revealed, the son of perdition,** <sup>4</sup>who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits <sup>£</sup>as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? <sup>6</sup>And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. <sup>7</sup>For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only <sup>£</sup>He who now restrains *will do so* until <sup>£</sup>He is taken out of the way. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, <sup>10</sup>and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. <sup>11</sup>And

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<sup>4</sup> Oliver B. Greene, The Revelation Verse by Verse Study, The Gospel Hour, Inc. (Pg. 189-190)



for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, <sup>12</sup>that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

**2 Thessalonians 2:1-12(NASB)** <sup>1</sup>Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and **our gathering together to Him,** <sup>2</sup>that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. <sup>3</sup>**Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the <sup>4</sup>apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,** <sup>4</sup>who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? <sup>6</sup>And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; <sup>9</sup>*that is*, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, <sup>10</sup>and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. <sup>11</sup>For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, <sup>12</sup>in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

	<b>Rapture</b>		<b>The Return with the Saints</b>
1	Jesus coming for His Church/Bride up to Heaven, before tribulation. Luke 21:36; John 14:1-3; 1Thess 1:10, 4:14-17, 5:9; Rev 3:10	1	Jesus coming with His Church/Bride down from Heaven, after tribulation. Zech 14:5; Col 3:4; Rev 19:7-8,14, 21:9-10; Matt 24:29-31; Jud 1:14,15; 1Thess 3:13
2	Caught up with Him in the air, in the clouds, 1Thess 4:13-18;  Appears to Believers only. Mat 5:8, John 11:40, Heb 9:28	2	Jesus' feet touch the earth <b>Zech 14:4</b> ; Rev 19:11-21, and he brings war, then peace.  Every eye will see him, including unbelievers. Rev 1:7, Zech 12:10, Mat 24:30 Luke 3:6 John 19:37
3	Christians taken first, unbelievers are left behind a shut door. Mat 25:1-13; Rev 3:8-10; Rev 4:1, 1Thess 4:13-18	3	Wicked are taken first, Mat 13:28-30 the righteous (Tribulation saints) are left to populate the millennium
4	Purpose: To present the Church to Himself and to the Father in Heaven, 2 Cor 11:2; Rev 19:6-9	4	Purpose: To execute judgment on earth and set up His Kingdom on earth. Zech 14:3-4; Jud 1:14-15; Rev 19:11-21
5	Happens in a moment, in the twinkling of	5	Slow coming, at war, to specific locations,

	an eye, no war, globally. 1Cor 15:52		from Edom, to Bozrah, to Meggido or Armageddon, to Jerusalem. Isa 63:1-3, Rev 16:16, Zech 12:9-10
6	Christians are changed, and get spirit bodies, go to heaven and do not marry, and become immortal; Mat 22:30; 1Cor 15:52; 1John 3:2	6	People populate the earth during the millinnium, some people still die, not being changed to immortality as at the rapture. Isa 65:20
7	Jesus descends with a shout (for resurrection) and trumpet noise. 1Thess 4:16	7	No shout mentioned Rev 19:11-21
8	A resurrection takes place of all saints to immortality, to rule as kings and priests in Heaven over Earth 1Cor 15:51-54; 1Thess 4:13-18	8	Resurrection of the tribulation saints to immortality who worship day and night in the temple of God. Rev 7:15, Rev 20:4-6,
9	Occurs as a thief in the night, at the 'no man knows the day or hour' festival of the Feast of Trumpets. Mat 24:43; 1Thess 5:4-6; Rev 3:3	9	Occurs at end of 7 years of Tribulation; exact day predicted; 3.5 years or 1260 days after the abomination of desolation: Dan 9:24-27, 12:11-12; Rev 11:2, 12:6,14, 13:5
10	Is likened to the abduction of the bride during the Jewish Wedding, and the union of the bride and groom, which occurs at the start of the 7 day bridal week. Gen 29:22-28, Judges 14:1-18	10	Is likened to the marriage feast, which occurs after the 7 day bridal week, returning from the wedding. Luke 12:36; Rev 19
11	The dead in Christ rise and together with then living will be changed into their new bodies and leave Earth with Jesus. 1Thess 4:14-16	11	Christians return with Jesus in already resurrected bodies riding on white horses. Rev 19:11-21
12	Jesus returns as a savior from wrath Luke 21:36; Rom 5:9; 1Thess 1:10, 5:9; Rev 3:10	12	Jesus returns on a white horse, full of wrath. Rev 19:11
13	For the Church only (those in Christ) 1Thess 4:14-17	13	For redeemed Israel & Gentiles Mat 25:31-46; Rom 11:25-27
14	A message of hope and comfort 1Thess 4:18; Titus 2:13; 1John 3:3 <hr/> Like the days of Noah and Lot, which show deliverance and salvation from judgement. 2 Peter 2:7-9, Mat 24:37-44	14	A message of judgment and woe Joel 3:12-16; Amos 5:18; Mal 4:5; Rev 19:11-21 <hr/> Like the plagues of Egypt, many of which are mirrored in Revelation, pouring out his Wrath, and He comes after the judgements.

The above Chart can be found at [http://www.bibleprophecy.org/15\\_differences.htm](http://www.bibleprophecy.org/15_differences.htm)