



The Rapture Doctrine

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The Rapture From Man Or God?

I want to try to explain this false teaching of a pre-tribulation rapture. First and foremost the word "rapture" is not in the Bible, it is not in the Manuscripts, and it is not in the word of God.

People and churches that teach this doctrine are often referred to as "rapture" believers because they believe that the Lord will return before the times of tribulations and spare them from going through the tribulation period spoken about in the Book of Revelations.

However according to Scripture there are several events that must take place before Christ returns. Before I go into what the Scriptures "Word of God" says, let me explain to you just where this false rapture teaching originally came from and how it got started.

Now at times I often explain to others that it started in 1830 with John Nelson Darby. However to better explain this, the rapture doctrine originally started in England during the mid-1800's. A Minister by the name of Edward Irving in a Church of Scotland, was the first to preach the "rapture gospel."

Irving held some eccentric positions on the use of "spiritual" gifts, including speaking in tongues and prophesying.

But when chaotic disturbances arose in Irving's services during the manifestations of these "gifts", the Church of Scotland took action, dismissing Irving from his position as minister in 1832.

After Irving's dismissal, Irving's movement grew and became the basis of modern day Pentecostalism.

However, in 1830 during one of Irving's sessions before his dismissal, a young Scottish girl, named Margaret MacDonald, fell into a "trance". After several hours of "vision" and "prophesying" she revealed that "Christ's" return would occur in two phases. "Christ" would first come visibly to only the righteous, then He would come a second time to execute wrath on the unrighteous in the nations.

This "secret rapture" was promoted by Irving.

Now here is where John Nelson Darby comes in to play. John Darby, was an Englishman and a pioneer of the "Plymouth Brethren" movement and he became caught up in the rapture teaching of Irving. Darby traveled to Scotland to talk with Irving and his followers about this "secret rapture".

It was then that John Darby became the developer of "scriptural" arguments to support the theory of a rapture doctrine that evolved.

This is also when Cyrus Scofield made notes of this "rapture" in his Scofield Reference Bible. Because of the Scofield Reference Bible it has continued to be preached and taught in churches throughout Britain and in the United States.

Today you have pastors and ministers that tell you "don't worry, you won't be here for the tribulation, Christ is going to rapture or fly us away."

However the Bible says that God is against those who teach the rapture doctrine.

Ezekiel 13:20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the

souls to make them fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, even the souls that ye hunt to make them fly.

Now the Word of God also tells us that we must "endure till the end" while we go through the tribulation period.

Matthew 10:22 And ye shall be hated of all [men] for my name's sake: but he that **endureth to the end** shall be saved.

Matthew 24:13 But he that shall **endure unto the end**, the same shall be saved.

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

Revelation 2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: **be thou faithful unto death**, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Revelation 2:26 And he that over cometh, and keepeth My works **unto the end**, to him will I give power over the nations:

Matthew 24:22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Hebrews 3:14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast **unto the end**;

Now I know that you have been taught by your pastor or family members that you should not worry, because you won't be here for the tribulation period, Christ is going to come in secret and rapture or fly us away while the rest of the people are "left behind". But that is NOT what the Bible says at all.

This is what the Bible says:

2 Thessalonians 2:9 Even him, (meaning - Christ Yahushua) "whose coming is after the working of Satan" with all power

and signs and lying wonders.

2 Thessalonians 2:1,2,3 "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.

(Yahweh is telling us that He does NOT come until Satan has come first and to not be fooled by false ministers saying that God will come in secret and fly us away before Satan reveals himself and does many things).

I know that many try to explain the rapture event using the verse from 1 Thessalonians 4:17 "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."

However this verse refers to those who are alive after the tribulation period has taking place. We will be transformed without tasting death.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

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.

Once again the rapture is a false teaching and it was NEVER taught by Yahushua Christ or by the Apostles.

**Wake Up From Your Puppet Masters! Believe In The
Word Of God, NOT Man!**