

## AFTER REVELATION 3 (with 19 chapters remaining)

## THECHURCH

IS NOT MENTIONED AGAIN IN REVELATION. WHY?

## RAPILLE

## THE RAPTURE & THE FIRST SIX SEALJUDGMENTS

Revelation 4 - 6



Then as I looked, I saw a door standing open in heaven, and the same voice I had heard before spoke to me like a trumpet blast. The voice said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must happen after this." **REVELATION 4: 1** 

And instantly I was in the Spirit, and I saw a throne in heaven and someone sitting on it.

REVELATION 4: 2

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#### RAPTURE IN THE BIBLE?

I THESSALONIANS 4: 15-18

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FOR THE LORD HIMSELF WILL COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN WITH A COMMANDING SHOUT, WITH THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE TRUMPET CALL OF GOD.

FIRST, THE BELIEVERS WHO HAVE DIED WILL RISE FROM THEIR GRAVES. THEN, TOGETHER WITH THEM, WE WHO ARE STILL ALIVE AND REMAIN ON THE EARTH WILL

BE CAUGHT UP IN THE CLOUDS TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR. THEN WE WILL BE WITH THE LORD FOREVER. SO ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER WITH THESE WORDS.

#### LET'S DIG IN!

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#### 2 CORINTHIANS 5:8

YES, WE ARE FULLY CONFIDENT, AND WE WOULD RATHER BE AWAY FROM THESE EARTHLY BODIES, FOR THEN WE WILL BE AT HOME WITH THE LORD.

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#### 1 CORINTHIANS 15: 52

#### IT WILL HAPPEN IN A MOMENT, IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, WHEN THE LAST TRUMPET IS BLOWN.

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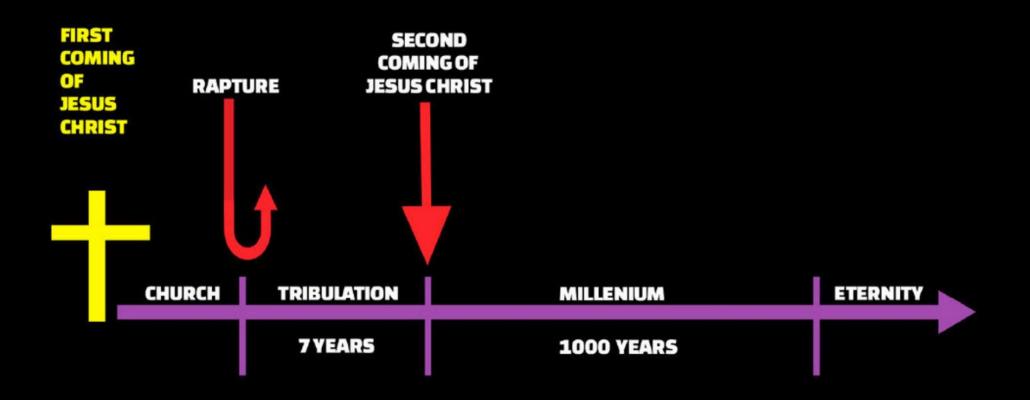
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## THE GREAT TRIBULATION

A seven-year period of time when God will finalize His judgment of the unbelieving world

#### THE RAPTURE AND THE SECOND COMING



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**REVELATION 4: 2** 

### WELCOME TO GOD'S THRONE IN HEAVEN, WHEREJUDGEMENT ONTHEEARTHWILL COMING FROM



The one sitting on the throne was as brilliant as gemstones—like jasper and carnelian. And the glow of an emerald circled his throne like a rainbow.

**REVELATION 4: 3** 



Twenty-four thrones surrounded Him, and twenty-four elders sat on them.

They were all clothed in white and had gold crowns on their heads.

REVELATION 4: 4



From the throne came flashes of lightning and the rumble of thunder. And in front of the throne were seven torches with burning flames. This is the sevenfold Spirit of God. **REVELATION 4: 5** 



In front of the throne was a shiny sea of glass, sparkling like crystal. In the center and around the throne were four living beings, each covered with eyes, front and back. **REVELATION 4: 6** 

The first of these living beings was like a lion; the second was like an ox; the third had a human face; and the fourth was like an eagle in flight.

REVELATION 4: 7



Each of these living beings had six wings, and their wings were covered all over with eyes, inside and out.

REVELATION 4: 8a

Day after day and night after night they keep on saying, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty— the one who always was, who is, and who is still to come." **REVELATION 4: 8b** 

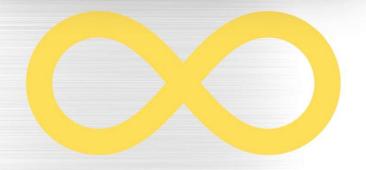
Whenever the living beings give glory and honor and thanks to the One sitting on the throne (the One who lives forever and ever), REVELATION 4: 9

the twenty-four elders fall down and worship the One sitting on the throne (the One who lives forever and ever). And they lay their crowns before the throne and say, **REVELATION 4: 10** 

"You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For You created all things, and they exist because You created what You pleased." **REVELATION 4: 11** 



## GOD'S THRONE ROOM: A PLACE OF NON-STOP WORSHIP



## GOD'S THRONE ROOM: THE PLACE OF FUTURE JUDGMENT



Then I saw a scroll in the right hand of the One who was sitting on the throne. There was writing on the inside and the outside of the scroll, and it was sealed with seven seals. **REVELATION 5: 1** 

And I saw a strong angel, who shouted with a loud voice: "Who is worthy to break the seals on this scroll and open it?"

REVELATION 5: 2

But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll and read it.

**REVELATION 5: 3** 

Then I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll and read it.

REVELATION 5: 4

But one of the twenty-four elders said to me, "Stop weeping! Look, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the heir to David's throne, has won the victory. He is worthy to open the scroll and its seven seals."

**REVELATION 5: 5** 

Then I saw a Lamb that looked as if it had been slaughtered, but it was now standing between the throne and the four living beings and among the twenty-four elders. **REVELATION 5: 6a** 

He had seven horns and seven eyes, which represent the sevenfold Spirit of God that is sent out into every part of the earth.

**REVELATION 5: 6b** 

He stepped forward and took the scroll from the right hand of the One sitting on the throne.

REVELATION 5: 7

And when he took the scroll, the four living beings and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb.

**REVELATION 5: 8a** 

Each one had a harp, and they held gold bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of God's people.

REVELATION 5: 8b

And they sang a new song with these words: "You are worthy to take the scroll and break its seals and open it. For You were slaughtered, and Your blood has **REVELATION 5: 9a** 

ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

**REVELATION 5: 9b** 

And You have caused them to become a Kingdom of priests for our God. And they will reign on the earth."

**REVELATION 5: 10** 

Then I looked again, and I heard the voices of thousands and millions of angels around the throne and of the living beings and the elders. **REVELATION 5: 11** 

And they sang in a mighty chorus: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slaughtered— to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing." **REVELATION 5: 12** 

And then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea. They sang: REVELATION 5: 13a

"Blessing and honor and glory and power belong to the one sitting on the throne and to the Lamb forever and ever."

**REVELATION 5: 13b** 

And the four living beings said, "Amen!" And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped the Lamb. REVELATION 5: 14