

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1260: Do I Suffer From Rapture Anxiety? (Part 2)

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Many of the questions below are based on 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18:

1. To whom did the Apostle Paul write 1 Thessalonians? Why did he write it? (See 1 Thessalonians 3:9,13)
2. Explain and name the three stages of Jesus' return. (See 1 Thessalonians 5:2, 1 Timothy 6:14, Luke 17:26-30)
3. Why does Jesus "descend from heaven with a shout"? Does everyone hear the shout? How is this possible if Jesus is returning as "a thief in the night"? (See John 5:28-29)
4. What significance does "the voice of the archangel" lend to the shout? What does it command? Who is Michael the archangel? (See Daniel 12:1)
5. What did the sounding of a trumpet every 50 years in ancient Israel indicate? What was the purpose of this event? How does this foreshadow the trumpet in 1 Thessalonians 4:17? When does this new event start? What does Acts 3:19-21 tell us about it? (See Leviticus 25:8-10)
6. Does the blowing of the trumpet in 1 Corinthians 15:52 mean an instantaneous resurrection of the dead? Explain. What regime change does the "last trumpet" proclaim in Revelation 11:15? Who hears this trumpet?
7. What is the order of resurrection in 1 Corinthians 15:22-23? Who is in each group? Are all of these groups resurrected at nearly the same time?
8. What is traditional rapture teaching? How does the Greek word identified in Strong's Exhaustive Concordance as #1899 and translated into English as "then" show us Christ does not snatch all the faithful living Christians into the air with him instantaneously at his return? How does this contrast with the use of the word "then" identified as Strong's #5119? (See Galatians 1:17-18, 1 Corinthians 15:4-6,52, Colossians 3:2-4, Matthew 16:27)
9. Explain Matthew 24:38-42 and Luke 17:34-37. In what kind of environment do these two scenarios take place? What does the word "taken" mean? What does the grinding mill represent? What does the field represent? To where are the people taken? Revelation 18:4 advises true Christians to do what? (See John 4:23, 17:17)
10. Recap the pieces of the 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 prophecy covered over the last two podcast episodes. How does this beautiful prophecy stimulate and encourage your Christian walk?