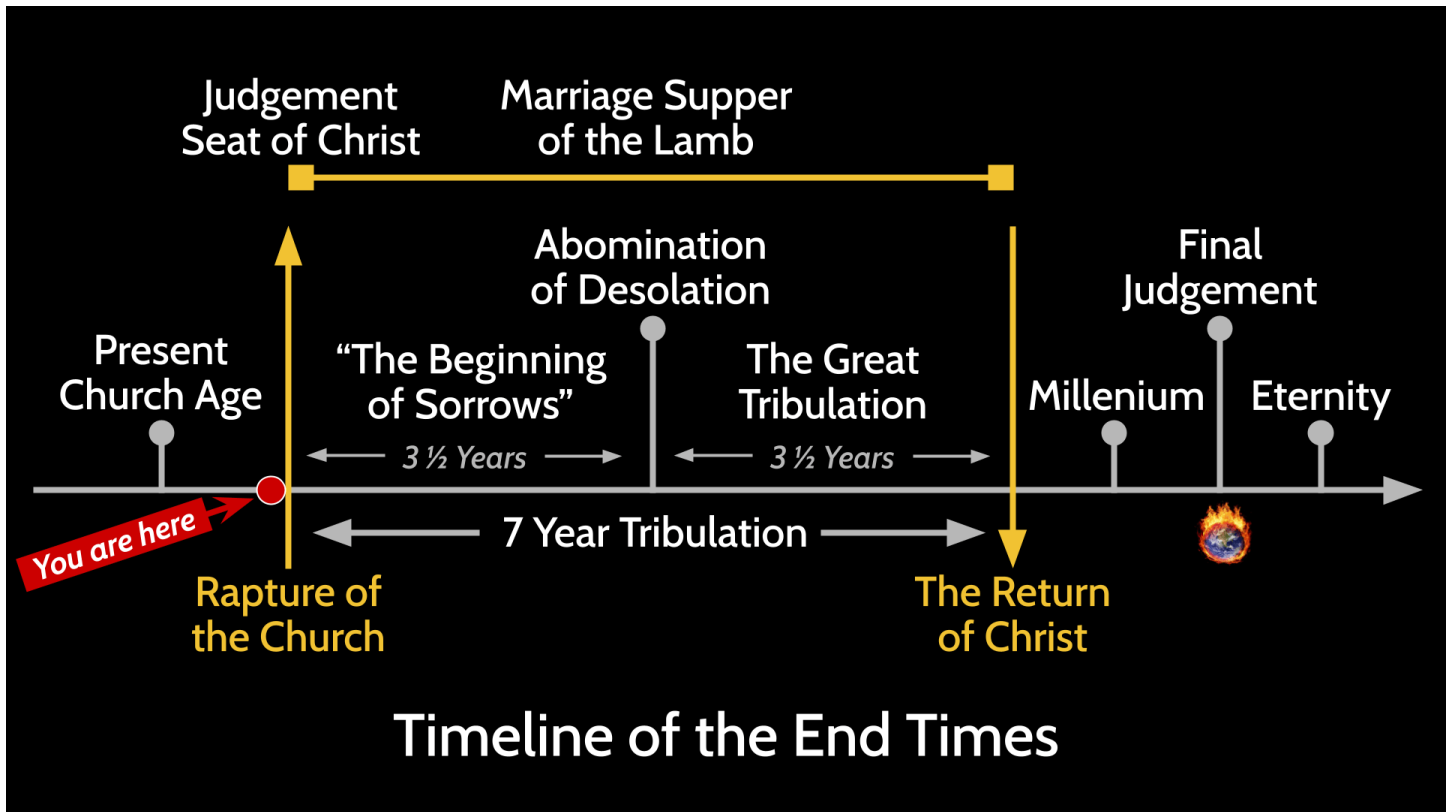


REVELATION

Will Christians go through
the Tribulation Period?



Why Christians will NOT go through the Tribulation Period?

1) Because of the absence of the “church” in the tribulation period

Revelation 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

Revelation 4:4 And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

1. Clothed in White

Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment

2. Crowns on their heads

2 Timothy 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Revelation 4:10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne....

3. Described as the “redeemed”

Revelation 5:9 ...for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation.

Acts 20:28bthe church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

4. They are sitting around the throne with God

Revelation 4:4 And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Romans 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

Luke 22:30 That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Matthew 19:28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Revelation 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron;

Revelation 5:10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

2) Because of the Biblical understanding of the wrath of God

Revelation 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

WRATH = violent passion; by implication punishment:--anger, indignation, vengeance, wrath.

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Revelation 14:19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

Revelation 15:1 And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

Revelation 16:1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

Revelation 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Does God pour out wrath on His own?

1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Romans 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Who does receive the wrath of God?

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

Ephesians 5:6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

Temptation = experience (of evil); by implication, adversity

Revelation 3:10b "...I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world...."

HOUR = day, hour, instant, season, X short, (even-)tide, (high) time.

1 Thessalonians 1:10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, (Rapture) whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

4) Because the rapture and the second coming are two different events

Rapture: The rapture is the church being "caught up" to meet the Lord in the air

1 Thessalonians 4:16 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.

Question is: Where in the book of Revelation do we find this?

Second Coming: The Second Coming is when Christ ends the world

Revelation 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

Revelation 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Revelation 19:14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

Revelation 19:1 And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

Revelation 19:4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

5) Because of the placement of the "rapture" in Revelation

Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh will **I grant to sit with me in my throne**, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Revelation 3:22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 4:1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. 2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

Break down these verses:

Revelation 4:1 "After this...."

"...I looked...."

Titus 2:13 **Looking** for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ;

"...and, behold..."

Revelation 3:11a **Behold**, I come quickly

"...a door was opened in heaven..."

Matthew 24:33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, **even at the doors**.

"...and the first voice which I heard was **as it were of a trumpet talking with me....**"

1 Corinthians 15:52a In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound....**

"...which said, **Come up hither**, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter..."

Revelation 11:12 **And they heard a great voice from heaven** saying unto them, **Come up hither**. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

Revelation 4:2 **And immediately** I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

1 Corinthians 15:52 **In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye....**

Revelation 4:2a And immediately **I was in the spirit:**

1 Corinthians 15:51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but **we shall all be changed**,

1 Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, **and we shall be changed**.

Revelation 4:2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

2 Corinthians 5:8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

6) Because of the absence of the Spirit of God

Revelation 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

Revelation 9:3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and **the gates of hell** shall not prevail against it.

2 Thessalonians 2:6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

2 Thessalonians 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

“...only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.”

Hebrews 13:5b “...for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”

2 Thessalonians 2:8a **And then** shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth....

7) Because it contradicts the imminent return of Christ

Luke 12:40 Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour **when ye think not.**

Matthew 24:36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

8) It contradicts of the victory of God's people

Revelation 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper

1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Ephesians 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

9) Because we are the Children of God

Matthew 7:11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Psalms 37:25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

10) No joy, peace looking for His appearing

Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ.

1 John 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.