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# Scriptures on the RAPTURE



# Let's Start with a Discussion

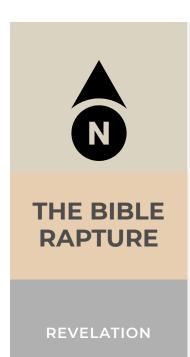
At the Bible Rapture, we believe that the rapture is a pre-tribulation event that takes place exactly as the bible describes it - in the *twinkling of an eye*.

The foundation for this is from **Revelation 12:5** where the child is **snatched** up to heaven after being born. This event hasn't happened yet and is a description of us as the body of Christ being "rescued" out of our current situation and taken to heaven. The woman is then protected in the desert for 3.5 years which is a description of the people left behind and God helping them before the antichrist makes his full reveal.

WHY WE EXIST	WHAT WE OFFER	US + THE KINGDOM
Relationship with Christ and relationship with others. It's all about LOVE and connecting together.	We are the vehicles for which the gospel is spread. We are the Church, we introduce people to Jesus + Holy Spirit	In the current dispensation of Grace we showcase the kingdom to non-belivers before the rapture comes.

# HISTORY AND HIS-STORY

# An overview of things



## WHERE WE CAME FROM

- A Lineage of Past Followers of Christ
- A timeline of Church history and development
- A moment when we decided Jesus is who he says he is

### WHERE WE ARE NOW

- The Church age a dispensation of Grace
- Waiting for the return of Christ

#### WHERE WE ARE HEADED

- The Rapture is next
- Then we go to war, then we live forever with God

### HERE ARE THE SCRIPTURES

#### **OLD TESTAMENT:**

While the word "Rapture" is not explicitly mentioned in the Old Testament, there are several passages that foreshadow the idea of being "taken up" or escaping judgment. Here are some key Old Testament scriptures that are often connected to the Rapture doctrine:

# **Old Testament Verses Related to the Rapture**

# 1. Genesis 5:24 – Enoch Taken by God

"And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him."

 Enoch never experienced death but was taken directly by God, often seen as a foreshadowing of the Rapture.

# 2. 2 Kings 2:11 - Elijah Taken to Heaven

"And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven."

o Elijah was physically taken into heaven without dying, another parallel to the Rapture.

# 3. Isaiah 26:19-21 - Resurrection and Escape from Wrath

"Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the Lord cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity."

 This passage speaks of resurrection, protection, and God's wrath, similar to the idea of believers being taken away before judgment.

# 4. Zephaniah 2:3 - A Call to Seek the Lord Before Judgment

"Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger."

 The phrase "hid in the day of the Lord's anger" is sometimes interpreted as an indication that God will protect His people from His wrath.

# 5. **Psalm 27:5 – Hidden in Safety in Times of Trouble**

"For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock."

• This passage reflects God's protection, which some see as a picture of the Church being hidden from the coming tribulation.

#### 6. Daniel 12:1-2 - The Resurrection and Deliverance

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

• This prophecy speaks of a great tribulation and the resurrection of the dead, which aligns with themes of the Rapture and the End Times.

While the New Testament provides the clearest teachings on the Rapture, these Old Testament passages lay a foundation for the concept of God taking His people away or protecting them before His judgment comes upon the earth.

# **NEW TESTAMENT:**

The most important verse in the bible is Revelation 12:5, WHY? Because Revelation is the most important book, chapter 12 is the most important chapter and verse 5 is the linch pin of the whole chapter.

If you understand this one verse everything else in escatology makes sense and aligns. The woman is not Mary and the baby is NOT JESUS. That is impossible because the events in chapter 12 haven't taken place yet. The Baby is us, we get rescued to heaven and that is what we call the rapture. Here are the other verses about the rapture in the new testament.

#### 1. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

"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. 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."

#### 2. 1 Corinthians 15:51-52

"Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 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."

#### 3. **John 14:1-3**

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 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. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

#### 4. Matthew 24:40-42

"Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

#### 5. 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."

### 6. **Luke 17:34-36**

"I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left."

# 7. **Philippians 3:20-21**

"For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

#### 8. Titus 2:13

"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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