1. <u>In your understanding, does 1 Thessalonians 1: 10 refer to the Tribulation or his eternal wrath of hell?</u>

Luke 16:23

Jude 6-7

To come

PTR argument

1 Thess. 5:2-3, 9

2 Thess. 2:3-4, 8-9, 11

Two letters written near each other

2. <u>Does 2 Peter 3:8 give us a hint as to the meaning of the phrase last days? For 6000 years have passed and all we have left is the seventh thousand year also known as the millennium?</u>

Rapture in 1993?

Combining two texts (Gen. 1:1–2:3; 2 Pet. 3:8) that should not be combined.

Context is not the creation days.

Only saying that God is outside of time.

Ps. 90:4

Why a delay in judgment should not be confused with a denial.

3. 2 Peter 3:12 says believers are to be "hastening the coming of the day of God" (NKJV). In what manner are believers to be "hastening"?

Participle speudontes = speed

How?

Vs. 9

Rom. 11:25-26

Evangelism

Why Satan hates personal evangelism

4. Are the two witnesses born and raised on the Earth again or do they just appear on the Earth after the rapture of the church? If they are born and raised, why are they not raptured, wouldn't they qualify?

Rev. 11:3-13

Body of Christ? - Raptured

We don't know exactly

Moses and Elijah – calling cards, incomplete ministries, Mal. 4:5-6; Matt. 17:3, Revelation series

Supernaturally placed into the Tribulation

5. Why, in the Tribulation, would the Holy Spirit not enter those who become saved? In the Old Testament He would come upon believers for certain tasks, but in the Tribulation, would not some of those saved need the enduring, permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit to navigate the beast system if they are going to remain alive to inhabit the Kingdom?

Not clear; lots of disagreement

Sealing-Rev. 7:3

Dan. 9:24

Missing week

Goes back to how the Holy Sprit was working in Old Testament times

6. The Tribulation period always seems to be focused on Israel. Christians are removed so there remains unbelieving Gentiles and unbelieving Jews. There are about 15 million Jews worldwide and billions of Gentile unbelievers. So why are the Gentiles given such a minor role? In Rapture #60, I believe you said that the spotlight goes back to Israel.

Gen. 12:3

Isa. 42:6

Isa. 49:6

Unfulfilled purpose

Preeminent servant

Like in OT times – Ruth 2:16; Matt. 23:15

Rev. 7; 11; 12

God will still use the Gentiles – Matt. 25:31-46

7. If we will see and recognize the Antichrist, does that mean we will see and watch our loved ones who rejected Christ endure the tribulation? How will we emotionally respond? I don't want to watch that.

Rev. 13:18

Gematria

Not the Church Age believer

2 Thess. 2:6-7

We will observe from heaven in our resurrected state

8. <u>Do you believe the Rapture is soon? There are many preaching this month, next month, Mother's Day, can</u>

only be on the third Tuesday after a second Tuesday, etc. What say you?

Soon? Christmas and Thanksgiving analogy

Date? Sign less (Jas. 5:8-9), any moment, imminent, nature of the Church

9. I understand we are not appointed unto wrath as Christ's children. That said, will the tribulation saints, after the rapture of course, be divinely protected like the Israelites were in Egypt during the Passover, from God's wrath?

Yes - see slide

No - see slide

10. We are a couple from Germany and very much enjoyed each lesson of your study on the rapture. Does the Bible teach, that according to Revelation 19:14, we as raptured believers must return to earth, leaving heaven again? The Bible says that we are heaven's citizens and God's house members (Ephesians 2:19). Wouldn't we not have tasks in heaven? Why do we return with Jesus to earth, and could it be that this only concerns the heavenly hosts (angels) as in Mathew 25:31? This verse to our understanding is speaking about the heavenly hosts returning with Jesus. For us it's somehow sad to understand, that after 7 years of

glory in heaven, we must return to a desolate earth. Many blessings from Germany.

Heavenly people – Eph. 1:3; Col. 3:2

Heavenly destiny – John 14:2-3; Philip. 3:20

Earthly destiny – Rev. 5:10

Forever with the Lord – John 14:3; 1 Thess. 4:17; Matt. 25:31; Zech. 14:4; Job 19:25

Training time for reigning time – 2 Tim. 2:11-13

Marriage analogy

Present tense – Gal. 4:26