

**1. 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

**2. Do you believe the Rapture is soon? There are many preaching this month, next month, Mother's Day, can 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

**3. 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

**4. 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

**5. While Satan will be in the Bottomless Pit during the Millennium, where will all the demons be?**

My working assumption has always been that the demons will be with Satan in the abyss (**Rev. 20:2-3**) since, according to passages like **Matthew 25:41** and **Revelation 12:7**, the demons, or the fallen angels, seem to be under Satan's authority. So, wherever Satan is they will be also. **Millennium is a test.**

**6. How do we respond to those Christians who say that the rapture was a doctrine introduced by Darby in the 1800's, and that apparently he got that from a lady who was having some kind of phony visions?**

Lesson no. 4 (what?), 37-38 (post-tribulation's appeal to antiquity)

2 arguments: recency and source

Recency

Recency Fallacy

Ad-populum fallacy

Same argument against Luther

Dark ages: Ever Reforming

Progressive illumination (Dan. 12:4, 9)

Pseudo Ephraem

Source

Genetic Fallacy

Margaret McDonald had a different rapture view

Most have never read McDonald's vision

Dr. Paul Wilkinson

- 7. Someone recently argued that the Church will go through the tribulation because the rapture is a resurrection and Jesus said he will raise us up on the last day. How many days are left after the last day? None. Therefore, we must go through the tribulation. John 6:39,40, 44: "39 This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up AT THE LAST DAY...40 And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up AT THE LAST DAY...44 No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up AT THE LAST DAY." How do we understand those verses in the light of the pre-tribulation rapture?**

Book of signs

Before Israel's rejection of the kingdom offer

They only knew Dan. 12:2

John 11:24

Upper Room Discourse has not happened yet

Church is a mystery

**8. I understand that the Olivet Discourse is directed to the Jews during the tribulation. My question...is there ANY appropriate application to the church now, prior to the tribulation?**

Lessons 21-32

All Scripture is for us but not about us

2 Tim. 3:16 – all scriptures is profitable

Like studying any OT book

**9. I see this come up A LOT with end-time "watchmen." They link Matthew 24 "fig tree generation" to the Psalm 90, which indicates that the days of a lifetime are between 70 and 80 years. These watchmen then claim that Israel's rebirth in 1948 started a "generation**

**countdown" that MUST end in 2028 because Psalm 90 says that a man's lifetime is only 80 years. Can you PLEASE address this?**

Recycling the Lindsey error

Terminus a quo

Context: Matt. 24:15-16, 20

They will need the promise – Rev. 12:6-17

**10. I know several people who state categorically that there is no such thing as the Rapture. How does one deal with that?**

Everyone believes in a Rapture. Pre-tribulation rapture

John 14:1-4

Gaebeleine

1 Thess. 4:17

Differences