

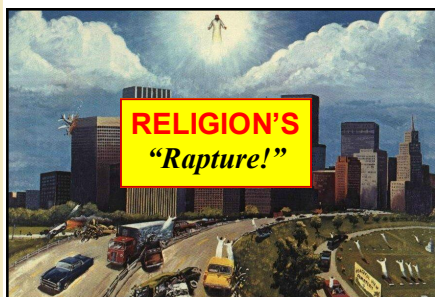
TAKEN: but HOW, WHEN, WHY, WHERE, & WHO?

The next greatest event to take place upon this earth since the **VIRGIN BIRTH** of Jesus Christ (ISAIAH 7:14; MATT. 1:23), will be true Christians being **TAKEN** out of this world.

This event will take place just as the virgin birth took place: completely UNNOTICED by the world, %for this cause God shall send them **STRONG DELUSION**, that they should believe a **LIE**+ (2 THESS. 2:11), and not realize that %few+are gone!

It will happen without fanfare, just as it did when Enoch was **TAKEN**, and just as when Noah and his family entered into the ark, and the **DOOR** was shut!

RELIGION would have mankind believe that %learned men and women+are the most likely to leave in what they call, the %**Rapture**+, causing worldwide catastrophes (see below). But God said, %**Not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called**+ (1 COR. 1:26).



HOW...shall we be TAKEN?

The first to be **TAKEN** was a man named Enoch. He was the father of Methuselah and he lived a total of 365 years. %**and Enoch walked with God: and he WAS NOT; for God TOOK HIM**+ (GENESIS 5:24).

The second to be **TAKEN** was Elijah, when %**there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and PARTED THEM BOTH [ELIJAH FROM ELISHA] asunder; and Elijah went up by a WHIRLWIND** [NOT IN A

CHARIOT] into heaven...and **HE [ELISHA] SAW HIM NO MORE**+ (2 KINGS 2:11-12).

Both Enoch and Elijah will one day soon return to this earth as God's %**TWO WITNESSES, the TWO OLIVE TREES, and the TWO CANDLESTICKS** standing before the **God of the earth**+ (REV. 11:3-4)!

The **CHURCH of the living God** will also be **TAKEN** soon, just as Enoch and Elijah were, %in a **MOMENT, in the TWINKLING of an eye** + (1 COR. 15:52). Jesus said, %**TWO shall be in the field...TWO...shall be grinding at the mill + TWO shall be in one bed...ONE shall be TAKEN, and the other LEFT**+ (MATT. 24:40-41; LUKE 17:34).

WHEN...shall we be TAKEN?

The answer to this question is found in the book of Daniel. After the fourth kingdom of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream (DANIEL 2:31-45) has run its course, and the church is **TAKEN OUT**...



%in the **LATTER TIME of THEIR KINGDOM**, when the **TRANSGRESSORS [THERE SHALL BE "...A FALLING AWAY FIRST" - 2 THESS. 2:3]** are come **TO THE FULL**, a king of **FIERCE COUNTEenance** [ALSO KNOWN AS THE **BEAST, THE ANTICHRIST**], and understanding **DARK SENTENCES shall STAND UP** [THAT IS, BE **REVEALED**]+ (DANIEL 8:23).

When men's minds have become so hardened that they can no longer %**HEAR REPROOF**+, and when the Holy Spirit can **NO LONGER** do what He was sent to do, to %**REPROVE [TO CONFUTE; TO ADMONISH] the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment**+ (JOHN 16:8), then **He, the Spirit of Truth, will be TAKEN OUT OF THE WAY**...+ (2 THESS. 2:7-8), and the **BEAST** will be allowed to reveal himself to the world.

We are living in the days when men and women %**WILL [NO LONGER] ENDURE [THAT IS, PUT UP WITH] SOUND DOCTRINE [TRUE AND UNCORRUPT INSTRUCTION]; but after their OWN LUSTS shall they HEAR TO THEMSELVES teachers, having ITCHING EARS [THAT IS, EAGER TO HAVE THEIR "HEARING" SCRATCHED];**

%**and they shall TURN AWAY THEIR EARS from the TRUTH, and shall be TURNED unto fables**+ (2 TIM. 4:3-4). This is what is happening in the world **RIGHT NOW!**

WHY...shall we be TAKEN?

God has made a **PROMISE** to His %**little children**+ (1 JOHN 2:1) that He will %**KEEP US**+ from %**the TIME of JACOB'S [THAT IS, ISRAEL'S] TROUBLE**+ (JEREMIAH 30:7). Jeremiah wrote of this %**DAY**+ as %**GREAT, so that NONE is like it**+ (JEREMIAH 30:7).

Also, Daniel wrote, %**there shall be a TIME OF TROUBLE, such as NEVER was since there was a nation**+ (DANIEL 12:1). Jesus said this %**TIME**+ %**shall be GREAT TRIBULATION, such as was not since the beginning of the world to THIS TIME, no, nor ever shall be**+ (MATT. 24:21).

"...UNTIL THE ANCIENT OF DAYS CAME..."

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But, *the church of the living God WILL NOT EXPERIENCE* this **%COMING HORROR**, because we **SHALL BE TAKEN!**

God gave His Son a **REVELATION** to **GIVE** to **US**, his **SERVANTS**, to show us **%things which must SHORTLY come to pass+** (REV. 1:1).

He **REVEALED** *the history* of the church *in the form of SEVEN MESSAGES* (REV. 2 & 3): starting from the beginning of *the church age* on the day of Pentecost, to the soon coming **END** of this *dispensation of Grace*.

Only the *last two messages* to the church are in progress today: the message to *Philadelphia*, which is spiritually the **%wise virgins+** found in Matthew 25, and the message to the *Laodiceans*, the **%false+** church, known as the **%foolish virgins+**, and the **%lukewarm church+**.

Here is God's **PROMISE** to the church: **%because thou hast KEPT THE WORD [TO GUARD FROM LOSS OR INJURY BY KEEPING THE EYE UPON] of my PATIENCE [TO STAND, THAT IS, UNCHANGING; FIRMNESS OF MIND]**,

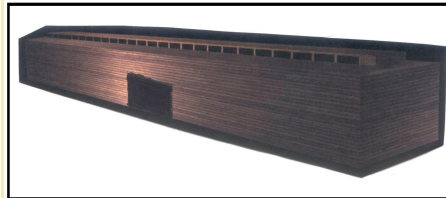
I will also KEEP THEE [TO GUARD FROM LOSS OR INJURY BY KEEPING THE EYE UPON] from the HOUR [THE SEASON] OF TEMPTATION [A PUTTING TO PROOF BY EXPERIENCE OF EVIL], which shall COME UPON ALL THE WORLD, to TRY THEM [TO TEST; TO SCRUTINIZE; TO DISCIPLINE] that dwell upon the EARTH+ (REV. 3:10).

WHERE...shall we be TAKEN?

We **KNOW** that we will meet our Lord in the air in our *glorified bodies*, like unto his body, for we shall **SEE HIM+** as he is! **%Beloved, NOW are we the sons of God, and it DOT NOT YET APPEAR what we shall be: BUT WE KNOW THAT, when HE [JESUS CHRIST] shall appear, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; for we shall SEE HIM as he is+** (1 JOHN 3:2).

But, we shall **ALL ENTER IN** through **%THE DOOR+** The apostle John said **%a DOOR**

WAS OPENED IN HEAVEN+ (REV. 4:1), and we shall *go in* and **%find pasture+** (JOHN 10:9).



Just as God said to Noah, **%COME THOU and all thy house into the ark+** (GENESIS 7:1) after Noah preached *120 years to mankind*, **THE MOMENT DID FINALLY COME** when **%the Lord SHUT HIM IN+** (GENESIS 7:16), and by doing so, **SHUT EVERYONE ELSE OUT!**

Likewise soon, **%when...the MASTER [THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY] of the house is RISEN UP, and hath SHUT TO THE DOOR+** (LUKE 13:24), **BEWARE THAT YOU** are not *left behind!*

WHO...shall be TAKEN?

The **SHORT ANSWER** to this question is **%THEY THAT WERE READY WENT IN WITH HIM TO THE MARRIAGE: and the DOOR was SHUT+** (MATT. 25:10).

The *New Testament Church* **%WENT IN+** because we have **%KEPT THE WORD OF [HIS] PATIENCE+** (REV. 3:10).

The *Thief on the Cross* **%WENT IN+** because he **HUMBLED HIMSELF** and said, **%ord, remember me+** (LUKE 23:42). The *souls on the day of Pentecost* **%WENT IN+** because **%they were PRICKED IN THEIR HEART+** (ACTS 2:37).

The *Publican* **%WENT IN+** because he **ACKNOWLEDGED HIMSELF** by saying, **%god be merciful to ME A SINNER+** (LUKE 18:13).

Jesus said, **%LEARN OF ME; for I am MEEK and LOWLY in HEART [WHERE OUR THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS ARE; THE MIND]+** (MATT. 11:29).

After **%learning+** about Jesus, one should come to understand **%THE TRUE WAY+**

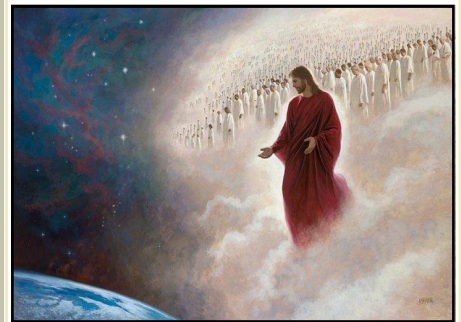
Jesus said, **%am the WAY+** (JOHN 14:6), and yet, we also know that **%NARROW is [THAT] WAY...and FEW THERE BE that find it+** (MATT. 7:14).

WHO...shall be LEFT?

Billions and billions of **%JUKEWARM+ religious souls** from every organization on earth will **NOT BE TAKEN**, because **%the TURNING AWAY OF THE SIMPLE...and the PROSPERITY OF FOOLS+** (PROVERBS 1:32), **AND %because they RECEIVED NOT THE LOVE OF THE TRUTH+** (2 THESS. 2:10).

God offered them the **GIFT of eternal life**, but they **REJECTED IT** for thousands of reasons of their own making! **%he that REJECTETH ME, and receiveth not MY WORDS, hath ONE THAT JUDGETH HIM: the WORD that I have SPOKEN [NOT SOME MAN'S TRANSLATION], the same shall JUDGE HIM in the last day+** (JOHN 12:48).

BEHOLD...



%he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him+ (REV. 1:7), **%FLAMING FIRE** taking vengeance on them that **KNOW NOT GOD+** (2 THESS. 1:8). **%he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called THE WORD OF GOD. And the armies which were in heaven FOLLOWED HIM upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean+** (REV. 19:13-14).

Remember, **UNLESS YOU REPENT** in **GODLY SORROW, you too will PERISH!**