

The Rapture

I Corinthians 15:50-58

Praise God and here we go!

Tonight we are going to talk about what we know about the unknown!

I Corinthians 15:50-58 ⁵⁰*Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.* ⁵¹*Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—* ⁵²*in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*

⁵³*For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.* ⁵⁴*So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory.”* ⁵⁵*“O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?”*

⁵⁶*The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.* ⁵⁷*But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.* ⁵⁸*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*

Steadfast: resolutely or dutifully, firm and unwavering.

1. The _____ is _____!

Let's back up ---- what did Jesus say?

Matthew 24:36-44 ³⁶*“But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.* ³⁷*But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.* ³⁸*For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,* ³⁹*and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.* ⁴⁰*Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left.* ⁴¹*Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left.* ⁴²*Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.* ⁴³*But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into.* ⁴⁴*Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.*

2. _____ knows the _____!

I believe the Rapture is in three years _____ / five years _____ / 10 years _____ /
in my lifetime _____ not in my lifetime _____.

How can there be so much confusion about an event of such magnitude?

Do you know most Christian Scholars believe that:

- Ezekiel chapters 37-38 - Gog – Magog
- One world currency
- One world Leader is after the Rapture!

Matthew 24:32-35

3. This _____ will not pass away!

What is a generation?

Old Testament – 120 years
Psalms – 70-80 years

What will it be like? Being changed? Being caught up? This excites me! But what if it happened today? What is a thief in the night like? No one is expecting to get robbed --- yet.

4. We should be _____ Christ's _____!

II Peter 3:9-18

Since we know this ahead of time!

Imagine being caught up today? I know you say, "Nope, not today". HELLO THIEF!

Matthew 24:45-51

5. We _____ be _____ for Him.

Are your days spent finding what *makes you happy*? OR What *makes God happy*?
Shouldn't it be what makes God happy makes me happy?

Are you ready to be caught up today? I mean today today. If you meet God / Jesus right now, what will you say?

Seriously, reflect on this.

Change is not easy. But it is necessary. Get ready to meet your Savior! So we can say:

6. I am a _____.

