



Sabbath Services
11 April 2015

The Rapture



Three Versions

- Pre Tribulation
- Mid Tribulation
- Post Tribulation



Pre Tribulation

Believes: -

- In two parts of the Second Coming.
- In 2 maybe 3 resurrection days for Believers.
- the Christians (since Pentecost) will be raptured in a *first part* Coming.
- the Christians (since Pentecost) will be raptured before the Tribulation.
- the Tribulation is the same as God's Judgement.
- the Jews will be left behind after the Rapture.
- people will be able to become Christians in the time of tribulation.

the Jews will evangelise the world during the Tribulation.



Post Tribulation

Believes:

- in a one event only Second Coming.
- in only one resurrection Day for all true Believers.
- in one Resurrection Day for all O.T. & N.T. Believers.
- many Christians will have to go through a time of Tribulation.
- the Tribulation is separate from a time of Judgement.
- all true Believers will be on Earth, in the time of Tribulation.
- after taking the 'mark' there will be no more opportunity to change.
- Israel will become a 'sheep' nation, helping suffering Christians.



Second Coming

In two parts of the Second Coming.

In a one event only Second Coming.

Rev 1:7 – Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

1 Thess 4:17 – Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Master in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Master.



Resurrections

In 2 maybe 3 resurrection days for Believers.
In only one resurrection Day for all true Believers.

1 Thess 4:16-17 - For the Master Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of The Mighty One. And the dead in Messiah will rise first. Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Master in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Master.



Christians Raptured

The Christians (since Pentecost) will be raptured in a *first part* Coming.
In one Resurrection Day for all O.T. & N.T. Believers.

Rev 20:4-6 - But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. Blessed and set apart *is* he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of The Mighty One and of Messiah, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.



Tribulation

The Christians will be raptured before the Tribulation.
Many Christians will have to go through a time of Tribulation.

Rev 6:9-11 - When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of The Mighty One and for the testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Master, set apart and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both *the number* of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they *were*, was completed.



Tribulation

The Christians will be raptured before the Tribulation.
Many Christians will have to go through a time of Tribulation.

Rev 7:14 - So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.



Judgment

The Tribulation is the same as God's Judgement.
The Tribulation is separate from a time of Judgement.

Rev 22:12-15 - "And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End, the First and the Last." Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. But outside *are* dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.



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Rev 20:11-15 - Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before The Migty One, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the* Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.



Jews v Christians

The Jews will be left behind after the Rapture.
All true Believers will be on Earth, in the time of Tribulation.

Rev 7:4-5 - And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred *and* forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel *were* sealed: of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand *were* sealed; of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand *were* sealed; of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand *were* sealed;



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Rev 7:9-10 - After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation *belongs* to our Mighty One who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"



End Time Conversion

People will be able to become Christians in the time of tribulation.
After taking the 'mark' there will be no more opportunity to change.

Rev 22:10-11 - And he said to me, "Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand. He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is set apart, let him be set apart still."



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Rev 14:9-10 - Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives *his* mark on his forehead or on his hand, he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of the Mighty One, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the set apart angels and in the presence of the Lamb.



Evangelism

The Jews will evangelise the world during the Tribulation.
Israel will become a 'sheep' nation, helping suffering Christians.

Dan 11:33-35 - And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet *for many* days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering. Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help; but many shall join with them by intrigue. And *some* of those of understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify *them*, and make *them* white, *until* the time of the end; because *it is* still for the appointed time.



Tribulation Timeline



Key Milestones

- 3 ½ years, 42 months, 1260 days
- The 7 Seals
- The 7 Trumpets
- The 7 Bowls



End Time Sequence

Phase	Event	Scripture Reference	Duration
7 Years	1. The 7 Seals	Rev 6:1-8	1 Year
	2. The 7 Trumpets	Rev 8:1-12	1 Year
	3. The 7 Bowls	Rev 16:1-21	1 Year
	4. The Great Tribulation	Rev 12:1-17	3.5 Years
	5. The Beast	Rev 13:1-18	3.5 Years
	6. The Son of Man	Rev 14:1-20	3.5 Years
	7. The Final Battle	Rev 19:1-21	3.5 Years
	8. The Millennium	Rev 20:1-6	1000 Years
	9. The New Heaven and Earth	Rev 21:1-3	Forever
	10. The Final Judgment	Rev 20:11-15	Forever

7 Seals

Seal	Symbol	Event	Scripture Reference
1	White Horse	Conquering	Rev 6:1-2
2	Red Horse	War	Rev 6:3-4
3	Black Horse	Famine	Rev 6:5-6
4	Pale Horse	Death	Rev 6:7-8
5	Cry of the Martyrs	Number killed accomplished	Rev 6:9-11
6	Cosmic Disturbances	Rev 8:1-12	Rev 8:1-12
7	7 Angels with Trumpets	Rev 8:13-17	Rev 8:13-17



Next Sabbath Message

**The Trinity
and other gods**

Services Start at 1:30 pm


