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THE TRIBULATION AND

THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH -

THE PRESENT AGE... IN RESPECT TO THE TRUE CHURCH, "ENDS" WITH THE CHURCH BEING TRANSLATED INTO GOD'S PRESENCE... WHICH IS A MAJOR PART OF THE... STUDY OF LAST THINGS AT OR WHEN CHRIST COMES... IN THE N.T.

WHEN A STUDY OF THE TRIBULATION... THIS SUBJECT COMES TO A IMPORTANT... (WHEN WILL THE CHURCH BE TAKEN UP) PART -

THERE ARE DIFFERENT... OPINIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF THE RAPTURE - PARTIAL RAPTURE... WHO WANT TO DIVIDE THE CHURCH INTO TWO GROUPS -

AND... PRETRIBULATION... MIDTRIBULATION... AND... POSTTRIBULATION... WHO DISAGREE ON THE TIME OF THE RAPTURE... IN RELATION TO THE TRIBULATION PERIOD -

PARTIAL RAPTURE THEORY

THIS TRANSLATION OF THE CHURCH... IS NOT CONCERNED... WITH THE TIME OF THE TRANSLATION... IN RELATION TO THE TRIBULATION PERIOD... BUT RATHER THE BELIEVERS... TO BE TRANSLATED -

TO THIS THEORY... ONLY THOSE BELIEVERS WHO ARE "WATCHING" & "WAITING" FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST... THAT HAVE "REACHED"

SOME DEGREE OF SPIRITUAL ATTAINMENT -
- THAT MAKES THEM WORTHY - TO BE
- INCLUDED - IN THE TAKING UP - RAPTURE -
BUT

THE PARTIAL RAPTURIST POSITION IS BASED
ON A MISUNDERSTANDING - OF THE
VALUE OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST -
- CHRIST'S DEATH -

FREES THE SINNER FROM CONDEMNATION
AND RENDERS HIM "ACCEPTABLE" TO GOD -
THEREFORE

SINCE THE POSITION OF THE WORLD BEFORE +
THE WORLD ^{NOW} BEFORE GOD IS COMPLETELY
CHANGED THROUGH THE DEATH OF JESUS
CHRIST ON THE WORLD'S BEHALF - [JOHN 3:16]
THE WORLD IS THUS RENDERED "SAVABLE"
- THE REDEMPTION -

PROVIDED FOR AND OFFERED TO THE SINNER
IS A REDEMPTION FROM SIN - A DIVINE
REDEMPTION BY THE BLOOD OF CHRIST -
THE RANSOM PAID - [1 JOHN 1:7] -

THE BLOOD OF JESUS
CHRIST CLEANSSES US FROM "ALL SIN" -
[1 COR 15:51 + 1 THESS 4:14]

PAUL TEACHES THAT WE SHALL "ALL" BE
CHANGED - AND THAT "ALL" THOSE THAT SLEEP IN
JESUS - WILL GOD BRING -

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO ADMIT A -
PARTIAL RESURRECTION, RAPTURE
TO ME

THE POSTTRIBULATION RAPTURE

WHICH IS

THE CHURCH WILL CONTINUE ON THE EARTH
UNTIL THE SECOND ADVENT. AT THE END OF
— THIS PRESENT AGE —

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST —
WILL NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE EARTH
UNTIL — THE ADVENT OF CHRIST — AT THE VERY
END OF THE — PRESENT AGE — THE RAPTURE
AND THE APPEARING OF CHRIST TO JUDGE
HAPPENS AT THE SAME TIME — THUS —

— CHRISTIANS OF THAT GENERATION —
WILL GO THROUGH THE TRIBULATION PERIOD
— THE FINAL AFFLICTION OF THE ANTICHRIST —

THERE IS

MUCH WRITTEN IN SUPPORT OF THIS THEORY
TO SUPPORT IT. BUT MANY SCRIPTURES
WHICH CONTRADICT IT — I WILL JUST POINT
OUT — ONE THAT SATISFIES ME — THAT THIS
IS A WRONG THEORY —

[REV 3:10] BECAUSE YOU HAVE KEPT MY —
"COMMAND" — TO PERSEVERE... I WILL ALSO —
KEEP YOU FROM THE HOUR OF TRIAL... WHICH
SHALL COME UPON... THE WHOLE WORLD —
TO TEST

THOSE THAT DWELL ON THE EARTH — NOTE
[REV 11:10] "THOSE WHO DWELL ON EARTH... WILL
REJOICE... BECAUSE OF THE TWO PROPHETS —
WHO TORMENTED... THOSE THAT DWELL ON THE
EARTH [REV 12:12] "THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH —

BEFORE WE CONSIDER THE PRETRIBULATION
~ RAPTURE THEORY ~ -- LET US CONSIDER --
~ THE FUTURE RESTORATION OF THE JEWS --

ONE THING THAT WE CAN BE SURE OF --
~ IN THE AFFAIRS OF THIS CHANGING WORLD
~ IS -- THE FUTURE OF ISRAEL --

IT LOOKS DOUBTFUL TODAY -- IN THIS
HOUR -- WITH ANTI-SEMITISM RAGING --
~ THROUGHOUT AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES
AND THE WORLD -- BUT -- ACCORDING TO
~ THE APOSTLE PAUL -- -- IN (CH 11) OF
ROMANS?

~ THERE IS A DIVINE DESTINY --
THAT WILL SHAPE THE COURSE OF THE
JEWISH NATION -- AND RESTORE THEM --

PAUL POINTS OUT THAT NOT ALL JEWS HAVE
REJECTED -- THE GOSPEL MESSAGE OF
SALVATION -- PAUL WAS A JEW -- SO WERE
DISCIPLES -- AND A LOT OF THE EARLY
CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES -- AND WERE GOD'S
SOVEREIGN CHOICES --

THE CHAPTER IS DIVIDED IN TWO PARTS
BY QUESTIONS:

~ EACH BEGINS WITH THE STATEMENT --

1) I SAY THEN -- (VS 1-10)

2) I SAY THEN -- (VS 11-32)

I SAY THEN

[VS 1-10] HAS GOD CAST AWAY HIS PEOPLE?

- OR -

IS GOD THROUGH WITH THE JEW... ARE THEY NOW JUST A CASTAWAY NATION?

PAUL SAYS:

GOD FORBID... DON'T EVEN THINK... THAT THOUGHT... THEY ARE HIS PEOPLE -

IT WILL BE A "NATIONAL ISRAEL" THAT WILL BE BROUGHT OUT OF... DISPERSION INTO RESTORATION... THROUGH... WHOM BLESSING WILL COME TO ALL THE WORLD... OR WE SHOULD SAY... "NATIONAL REGENERATION"

- WHICH IS INCLUSIVE -

OF JEW AS WELL AS THE GENTILE -

GOD HAS A PROGRAM... AND HE IS WORKING TO THAT PROGRAM... AND HE WILL USE "HIS PEOPLE"... HE HAS NOT CAST AWAY HIS PEOPLE... THE JEWISH PEOPLE -

FROM THIS LAND - - -

CAME THE BIBLE... AND OUR LORD AND SAVIOR... AND... WORLD PEACE AND PROSPERITY WILL COME... IT WILL BE THE SEAT OF A GREAT MILLENNIAL GOVERNMENT... UNDER THE SOVEREIGNTY OF CHRIST -

- PAUL POINTS OUT HIMSELF -

GOD BY GRACE... HAD CALLED PAUL OUT OF A BIGOTED RELIGIOUS CAREER... AND... TRANSFORMED HIS LIFE... AND GIVEN HIM A PLACE OF... DIVINE SERVICE - (V8:1)

[VS-2-4] PAUL POINTS TO ELIJAH - WHEN UNDER STRESS [1 KINGS 19] OF JEZEBEL'S THREAT FLEED FOR HIS LIFE - WAS SURE HIS CAUSE WAS LOST - AND CONSIDERED HIMSELF THE ONLY ONE LEFT - BUT GOD HAD A REMNANT - TO BUILD UPON -

AND SO

PAUL SAW A REMNANT IN HIS OWN DAY THAT WOULD CONTINUE - UNTIL OUR DAY - WHICH GREAT BLESSING OF GOD WILL COME -

- THESE REMNANTS -

ARE THE MINORITIES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS ACCORDING TO THE ELECTION OF GRACE -

- THEY ARE SPIRITUAL - [VS: 5-10]

THIS REMNANT - WAS JEWISH BUT - IN ORIGIN - IT WAS OF GRACE - - (5)

- THE ROMAN EPISITILE -

IS BUILT ON TWO - WONDERFUL THINGS GRACE AND FAITH - "BY GRACE ARE YE SAVED - THROUGH FAITH" - [EPM 2:8-9]

REGARDLESS - -

OF NATIONALITY OR CULTURE - IT IS ALL OF GRACE - THROUGH FAITH -

ISRAEL - HATH NOT OBTAINED - BUT SOME HAVE - A REMNANT - "WHY" -

BECAUSE

(VS-8) GOD HAS GIVEN THEM A SPIRIT OF SLUMBER [DEUT 29:4] - EYES THAT THEY SHOULD NOT SEE - AND EARS

THAT THEY SHOULD NOT HEAR... [IS 29:10] -
TO THIS VERY DAY (US-8)

SLUMBER (STUPOR) = A CONDITION WHICH
RENDERED THEM - INSENSIBLE - NOT
SENSITIVE - TO DIVINE PROMPTINGS -

THIS CONDITION
WAS ACQUIRED - NOT IMPOSED BY GOD -
IT WAS THEIR OWN DOING - LUKE 13:34 &
MATH 23:37] O JERUSALEM - THE ONE WHO
KILLED THE PROPHETS - HOW OFTEN I -

- WANTED -
TO GATHER YOUR CHILDREN - YOU WERE NOT
WILLING - YOUR HOUSE IS LEFT YOU -
-- DESOLATE - BUT LISTEN !!

- "NOT ONE OPEN HEART" -
NO WHERE IS IT INDICATED - THAT GOD MEETS
A SOUL - TENDING TO SHOW AN INCLINATION
-- UP TO HIM - TO HIS LOVE AND GRACE - THAT
GOD IGNORES OR REJECTS - THAT IS -
- EVEN THE FAINTEST INQUIRY - DESIRE
FOR HIMSELF - HIS GRACE - HIS MERCY -

- AS FOR ISRAEL HERE -
SINNERS OF THEIR OWN WILL - A RESULT
OF - UNBELIEF - RESISTANCE TO GOD -
AND CHRIST AS MESSIAH -

- THEY HARDEN THEIR HEARTS -

I SAY THEN

[VS 11-32] HAS ISRAEL GONE ~~BEYOND~~ BEYOND RECOVERY? —

— GOD FORBID —

BUT THROUGH THEIR FALL — TO PROVOKE THEM TO JEALOUSY —

— "SALVATION HAS COME TO THE GENTILES" —

[VS 12] ^U THEIR FAILURE — FALL — IS RICHES FOR THE WORLD — FOR THE GENTILES —

[VS 15] FOR IF THEIR BEING CAST AWAY IS RECONCILING OF THE WORLD — WHAT WILL THEIR ACCEPTANCE BE — LIFE FROM THE DEAD —

[VS 16-24] WILD OLIVE TREE — ~~ROOTS~~ GENTILES — WE GRAFTED IN TO — THE OLIVE TREE — THIS — THE ROOT SUPPORTS YOU — ROOT IS GOD —

BECAUSE OF — UNBELIEF — THEY WERE BROKEN OFF —

THE MAIN EMPHASIS HERE:

① (VS 25) PAUL WANTED TO CLEAR UP THE MYSTERY — BETWEEN ISRAEL + GENTILES

② BLINDNESS — TO ISRAEL — UNTIL — THE FULLNESS OF THE GENTILES HAS COME —

③ THEN [26-27] ISRAEL WILL BE SAVED ---
THE DELIVERER WILL COME --- JESUS CHRIST
HE WILL TURN AWAY UNGODLINESS FROM JACOB
--- ISRAEL --- JEWS ---
HIS COVENANT WITH THEM --- I WILL TAKE AWAY
THEIR SINS ---

④ [15-28] CONCERNING THE GOSPEL ---
THEY ARE ENEMIES --- FOR YOUR SAKE ---

--- THUS ---

WHEN THE FULLNESS OF THE GENTILES --- HAS
COME IN --- THE RAPTURE HAPPENS ---

BEFORE --- GOD DELIVERS ISRAEL --- (26)

[1 PETER 3:10] --- THE LORD --- THE DAY OF
THE LORD WILL COME AS A THIEF IN THE
NIGHT ---

[1 THESS 4:16-17] FOR THE LORD HIMSELF WILL
DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT --- WITH
THE VOICE OF AN ARCHANGEL --- AND WITH THE
TRUMPET OF GOD --- AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST WILL
RISE FIRST --- THEN WE WHO ARE ALIVE AND
REMAIN --- SHALL BE "CAUGHT UP" --- RAPTURED ---
TOGETHER WITH THEM --- IN THE CLOUDS ---
TO MEET THE LORD --- IN THE AIR --- AND THUS ---
WE SHALL ALWAYS BE --- WITH THE LORD ---

~~INTRODUCTION~~ - INTRODUCTION -

[THESS 4:13-18] = "THE COMING OF THE LORD"

- WAITING FOR THE LORD -

(4:11-12) ① "STUDY TO BE QUIET" -

- BE AT PEACE WITH YOURSELF -

② "DO YOUR OWN BUSINESS" -

- MAKE YOUR OWN AFFAIRS A PRIORITY -
- OF IMPORTANCE -

③ "WORK WITH YOUR OWN HANDS" -

- DON'T BE LAZY OR DEPENDENT ON
OTHERS -

④ "THAT YOU WALK HONESTLY" -

- YOU WILL NOT LACK -

[4:13-18] = THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

① (13-15) = THE PERSON WHO HAS LIVED AND
DIED IN CHRIST - IS STILL IN CHRIST - (18)

② WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED AND ROSE
AGAIN - (14)

③ THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - ARE STILL ALIVE
IN & WITH CHRIST -

- IN THIS LIFE AND DEATH - THE
CHRISTIAN IS IN CHRIST - THAT IS A -
UNION WHICH NOTHING CAN BREAK -

[16-17] - HOW IT WILL HAPPEN -

① THE LORD HIMSELF WILL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN - WITH A SHOUT -

"A SOUND OF AUTHORITY" - WITH - -
"URGENCY" -

② WITH THE VOICE OF ~~AND~~ "THE ARCHANGEL"

THE ONLY ONE DESCRIBED AS AN - -
ARCHANGEL IS "MICHAEL" - (JUDE 1:9)

"YET "MICHAEL" THE ARCHANGEL" - -
CONTENDING WITH THE DEVIL - -

- HERE -

PAUL IS MEANING A COMPANY OF
PROMINENT ANGELS - "LEAD BY MICHAEL" -

③ WITH THE TRUMP OF GOD - TRUMPET CALL -

BELIEVER ARE GATHERED WITH THE BLAST
OF - GOD'S TRUMPET SOUND - -

"TRUMPETS" [LEV 23:24, NUM 10:2]

- SOUNDED AND ASSEMBLY OF GOD'S PEOPLE -

THERE ARE THREE OTHER OCCASIONS OF

- TRUMPETS - AND END TIME EVENTS -

[1 COR 15:52] WHICH IS CLEARLY CONNECTED
WITH THE SAME TRUMPET - HERE

IN A MOMENT, IN THE TWINKING OF AN
EYE - AT THE LAST TRUMP - FOR THE TRUMPET
WILL SOUND - AND THE DEAD WILL BE -

"RAISED" -

VS-18

④ THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE --
SHALL BE -- CAUGHT UP -- TOGETHER --
-- THE NOTION --
TO SEIZE -- OR TO CARRY AWAY -- CARRY
OFF BY FORCE -- SUDDEN SWEEP --
TO
-- MEET THE LORD -- IN THE AIR -- CLOUDS --
"THIS RAPTURE"

IS POSITIONED -- BEFORE -- THE SEVEN-YEAR
-- PERIOD OF TRIBULATION -- JACOB'S TROUBLE
[JER 30:7] -- AS I SEE IT --

① [1 THESS 1:10] SHOWS ~~THE~~ THE BELIEVERS --
WAITING FOR THE RETURN OF JESUS -- IT
IS CLEARLY INDICATED -- THAT THEY HAD
HOPE OF CHRIST'S IMMINENT RETURN --
-- (CERTAINLY NOT) -- THE EXPECTATION OF
AND -- IMMINENT GREAT TRIBULATION --

② [4:13-18] ASSURES US -- THAT THOSE
WHO PUT THEIR FAITH IN CHRIST -- AND
DIED -- WOULD SHARE -- ALONG SIDE -- THE
LIVING -- IN THE CATCHING UP -- AND --
RESURRECTION -- TO BE WITH THE LORD --
FOREVER --

IF THIS WERE NOT SO -- --
AND THE TRIBULATION -- HAD TO BE
ENDURED -- BY THE LIVING BELIEVERS --
-- TO BE DEAD AT THIS TIME -- WOULD BE BETTER

OFF !! AND CERTAINLY -- THERE IS NO
INDICATION -- IN SCRIPTURE -- THAT THE DIED
IN CHRIST -- WOULD BE RAISED TO --

— "GO THROUGH THE TRIBULATION"
PAUL WOULD NOT HAVE SAID: (18)
"COMFORT ONE ANOTHER" -- WITH
THESE WORDS -- IF -- PAUL KNEW THAT
THE CHURCH WAS -- DESTINED -- TO GO
THROUGH THE TRIBULATION --

[CH 5:1-6]
BE READY FOR JESUS -- RETURN

(VS-1) THE THESSALONIANS -- HAD BEEN TAUGHT
BY PAUL ABOUT THE -- "TIMES" AND "SEASONS"
WHEN CHRIST WOULD RETURN --

TIMES = THE DURATION -- WHETHER A LONGER
OR SHORTER PERIOD --

SEASONS = THE SUITABLE -- OR CRITICAL NATURE
OF THE TIME --

WHAT PAUL TAUGHT -- [1 TIM 4:1-5] --

[BUT HERE] -- HOW IT WILL HAPPEN --

— THE DAY OF THE LORD -- HIS DAY (TIME)
WILL BE -- LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT -- THAT IS --
— AN UNEXPECTED HOUR -- AND LIKE A --

— WOMEN WITH LABOR PAINS:

THEY WILL CERTAINLY COME -- NO DOUBT --
THEY WILL SUDDENLY COME -- AND NOTHING
— CAN STOP THEM --

THE COMING OF JESUS WILL BE A ~~SHOCK~~
STARTLING EVENT BECAUSE NO ONE ~~KNOWS~~
KNOWS THE DAY OR HOUR - [MATH 24:36]

BUT

FOR CHRISTIANS WHO KNOW THE "TIMES" &
"SEASONS" - IT WILL NOT BE A COMPLETE
SURPRISE - BUT A SUDDEN JOY -

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE 70TH WEEK
WILL BE A SATANIC CONTROLLED GOVERNMENT
TO CARRY OUT SATAN'S WILL - AND PURPOSE
IN A MANIFESTATION OF LAWLESSNESS -

[IN 1 TIM 2:1-4] THE CHURCH IS INSTRUCTED
TO PRAY FOR GOVERNMENT ~~AND~~ LEADERS
- SINCE THEY ARE GOD APPOINTED - SO
THAT THOSE IN AUTHORITY - MAY BE SAVED -
AND THE CHRISTIAN BELIEVERS CAN LIVE
IN PEACE -

THE CHURCH

IS FURTHER INSTRUCTED - TO BE SUBJECT
OR - IN SUBJECTION - TO SUCH POWERS -

[1 PETER 2:13-16 - ROMS; 13:1-7 - TITUS 3:1 -

- BE SUBJECT TO RULERS AND AUTHORITY -
TO OBEY - TO BE READY FOR EVERY GOOD WORK -

- BECAUSE -

OF THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CHURCH -
TO GOVERNMENTS IN THIS AGE - AND -
BECAUSE OF THE ~~THE~~ SATANIC CONTROL
OF GOVERNMENT - IN THE 70TH WEEK

THE CHURCH MUST BE DELIVERED -- BEFORE --
THE SATANIC GOVERNMENT -- IS IN CONTROL --
THE CHURCH
COULD NOT SUBJECT HERSELF TO SUCH A --
GOVERNMENT --

-- ISRAEL --
DURING THE 70TH WEEK WILL CALL DOWN
THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD -- UPON SUCH --
GODLESS MEN -- CRYING FOR GOD TO --
-- VINDICATE HIMSELF -- AS IS STATED IN
THE IMPRECATORY PSALMS : 7, 35, 55, 59, 69,
79, 83, 109 AND 137 -- WHICH --

INVOKED JUDGEMENT --
CALAMITY OR CURSES ON THOSE WHO ARE
ENEMIES OF GOD --

THERE COULD BE NO RELATIONSHIP --
OF THE CHURCH -- TO THE GOVERNMENTS --
-- OF THE -- SEVENTIETH WEEK --
AND

THE EPISTLES ARE -- SILENT -- CONCERNING
THE CHURCH -- ENDURING THE TRIBULATION --
-- THEY WARNED THE BELIEVER ABOUT THE
PERSECUTION -- THEY MUST GO THROUGH -- SO --
-- THEY CERTAINLY WOULD HAVE GIVEN --
GUIDANCE AND HELP -- TO MEET THE MOST --
SEVERE PERSECUTIONS -- TO COME --

DURING THE
SEVENTIETH WEEK -- OF THE GREAT --
TRIBULATION PERIOD

STOP