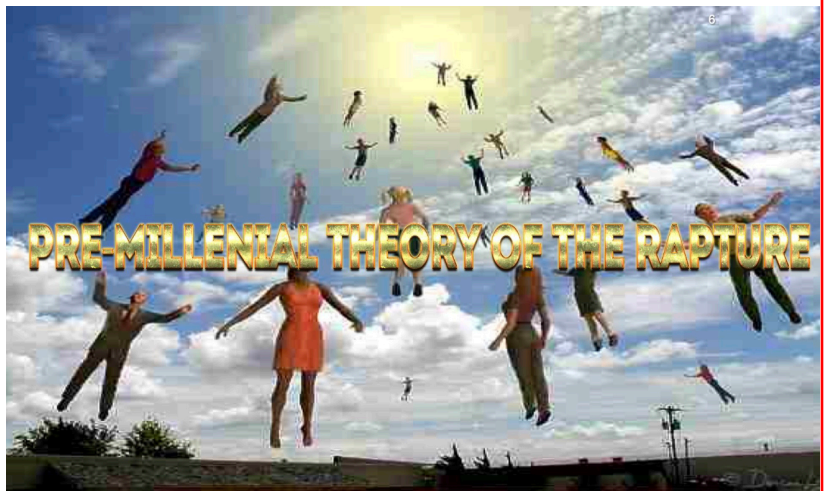


The secret, silent and invisible event where all Christians, both living and dead, will be caught up to heaven to be with Jesus for a period of time before Jesus returns to establish His earthly Kingdom.



Examining Proposed Proof Text

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Not _____ Not _____
Parousia - _____ 2 Pet. 3:12; 2 Thes 2:8
Not _____ Years.

Luke 17:32-36 Rapture??

What Will _____ to those _____ &
When? Cf vss. 26-31
No _____ coming. No _____ of

1 Corinthians 15:51-55

Rapture?
The _____
1 Thes. 4:16; Jn. 11:24
When Jesus puts an
_____ to all
_____ vss. 22-26

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Rapture?
The _____
2 Pet. 3:12; 2 Thes. 2:8

The Bible _____ Teach It
Is _____ To The Bible
Teaches that Jesus is coming _____ more times –
Hebrews 9:28
Teaches _____ bodily _____ –
John 5:28,29; Acts 24:14-15
Teaches a _____ chance – 1 Thes 1:7-9
Based upon _____ (7 yrs trib. & 1,000 yr earthly reign)

Original Word: ἀρπάζω, *harpazō*

Usage Notes: "to snatch or catch away," is said of the act of the Spirit of the Lord in regard to Philip in [Acts 8:39](#); of Paul in being "caught" up to paradise, [2 Cor. 12:2, 4](#); of the Rapture of the saints at the return of the Lord, [1 Thess. 4:17](#); of the rapture of the man child in the vision of [Rev. 12:5](#). This verb conveys the idea of force suddenly exercised, as in [Matt. 11:12](#), "take (it) by force;" [Matt. 12:29](#), "spoil" (some mss. have *diarpazō* here); in [Matt. 13:19](#), RV, "snatcheth;" for forceful seizure, see also [John 6:15](#); [John 10:12, 28, 29](#); [Acts 23:10](#); in [Jude 1:23](#), RV, "snatching." –

Vine's Expository Dictionary

The Issue Is NOT Will Christians Be "Caught Up" But - What Will Occur In Conjunction With The Event!

Biblical Descriptions of Jesus' Return —

- ◆ With _____ – _____, _____ of the archangel & the trumpet of God - 1 Thess. 4:16
- ◆ With His _____ - Matt. 25:31; 2 Thes. 1:7-8
- ◆ _____ and _____ - 1 Thess. 5:1-4; 2 Pet. 3:10; Rev. 22:20
- ◆ _____ - Acts 1:9-11; Rev. 1:7 "and every _____ will see _____"
- ◆ Simultaneously raise _____ on the _____ - John 5:28,29; 6:39,40,54; 11:24
- ◆ _____ The World on the l _____ - Ac 17:30-31; - Mat 25:31-32; 2 Cor 5:10; Rev. 20:12; Rom. 2:16; John 12:48
- ◆ _____ Saints - Col. 3:4; Phil. 3:20-21; 1 Cor. 15:51-52; Rev. 22:14; Matt. 25:46
- ◆ _____ wicked - 2 Thes. 1:7-9 - Matt. 25:41,46; Rev. 20:10; Rev 21:8
- ◆ _____ present _____ and _____ new _____ and new _____ - 2 Pet. 3:10-13; Heb. 11:13-16; Rev. 22:14
- ◆ _____ to Father - 1 Cor. 15:23-28