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SUBJECT: The Rapture
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The Rapture of the Church

Both Thess. Epistles: each chapter closes with reference to 2nd coming of Christ
This chapter, especially in I Thes. 4:13-18
The word "rapture" not in Eng. trans. of the Bible
6. "rapture" not seen as in II Cor. 12:4

used by Jerome Vulgate II Cor. 12:4 "caught up" RAPERE
I Thes. 4:17 I saw I was - I saw I was
- I saw I was
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by the word of the Lord

1. The OT filled with predictions of the coming of Messiah & that all in the world. They were said two places, between the great parenthesis, between Paul calls it a mystery - Rom 16:25
I Cor. 15:51
2nd Cor. 12:4

2. The disciples were at first like that
They expected to be fulfilled all the OT prophecies that, then, in our day
This only so dispirited when I began to speak (the dead)
physically resurrected, depart, when basically slain
the resurrection, R. before Paul preached.

3. But there is something else: a new, another revelation
(4) Matt 16:18 "I shall build my church" not slighted hint in OT
(7) Jn. 14:3 "I will come again"

in their sorrow, your began to make it known
before millennial, another purpose (to be fulfilled)
to return, to receive them & bring
in between, and that commission

this revelation by the word, the fact
made known more fully by revelation to Paul

- i. The resurrection, they will sleep in your
- ii. The rapture, they will believe
- iii. The meeting with the Lord in the air.

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The Rapture of the Church

Both Thes. Epistles: each chapter closes with reference to 2nd coming of the Lord
 This concept, repeated in 1 Thes. 4:13-18
 The word "rapture" not in any of the Bible
 of "Trinity" got seen as in II Cor. 13:14
 used by James VanDale II Cor. 12:4 "caught up" RAPTURE
 I Thes. 4:17
 I Cor. 12:12-13
 I Cor. 15:51-52
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"by the word of the Lord"
 1. The OT filled with predictions of the coming of the Messiah & that all in one coming. They never saw two phases, but the great parenthesis, between Paul calls it a "rapture" I Cor. 15:51-52.

2. The disciples were at first like that they expected a fullness of all the OT prophecies then, there, in one coming. This only in dispensational sense, began to speak of the dead physically resurrected, depart, when physically obtain their resurrection. A. LaSor and personal.

3. But there is something else: a New, another revelation (4) Matt 16:19 "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (5) Jer. 14:3 "I will come again" in their sorrow, you began to make a return before millennial, another purpose / that to be fulfilled. & to return, progress & peace & to return, to receive them & bring in between, and that commission. This is the revelation by the word, the two made known more fully by revelation to Paul
 i. The resurrection, the state of things in heaven
 ii. The transformation of living believers
 iii. The meeting with the Lord in the air.

1. The resurrection of those who sleep in Jesus
 The term *sleep* used to refer to the death in Hebrew
body sleep - but the soul continues to blessed & glorious
 sleep is temporary - as is death to the body
 sleep ends in waking - death is resurrection
 this is resurrection & out from among the dead? E.H. 24:46
 this is the first resurrection Rev. 20:5
 mentioned and raised with him 20:12
 of resurrection at Rev 20:12 Rev. at Rev 20:12

2. The transfiguration of the living
 that the mystery (I Cor. 15:51, 52) a generation of his
 sudden, without warning, in the twinkling of an eye
 I Thes 5:3 "as a thief in the night" to steal away the church, his friends, his
 4:17 "I will come as a thief in the night" to steal away, his friends, his friends

3. The call to the dead and to the living
 three uses of EV in "will"

(1) in a shout / command
 HEAVEN in classical Greek = a word, command, shout as
 a general to his army
 and addressed to his soldiers
 a characteristic of his power
 E. of Rev 11:63 says the authority of E. has not names longer
 the whole world would have come forth.

(2) in the voice / the shout
 all heard in Beth, the hall
 chief for, John, when has the power of death
 his feet, now the body of years; 2 & 4 he had it
 before, perfect of soul of his, hand
 his very Rev. (2:7-10) should) John and 3 then
 death year

(3) in the trumpet of God
many trumpets in O.T. - walls of Jericho
- New Year Assy Babylon
- jubilee

N.T., heralding the mighty manifestation of God
Matt. 24:31
Rev. 1:10; 8:1

sound of the trumpet, from home-coming groups
i. Isa. 32:13 regarding Israel, with Isa. 41:26
ii. I Thess 4:16 the call to the church to be with the Lord

I Cor. 15:59 the last trumpet
6. an allusion to the 7th trumpet, the Ransom of
the nations spirit to God, which is
2d fall in Gen
3d march away

4. God's call to his saints; to not be urged away
the church are exhorting, a witness out assembly
called in to rest, now
with in my call us to be with the Lord
the last trumpet

We shall share our Lord's moral
and spiritual likeness. Conformed
to his image, we shall be adorned
with his beauty.

(a) when the mother of Darius
saw two persons entering the prison,
she being a prisoner toward to be
one whom she supposed to be
Alexander. It turned out to be
HYPHESTION, the King's favorite.
Upon discovering that it was Hyphestion,
the lady humbly begged Alexander's
pardon for paying obedience to
the wrong person, but Alexander
answered, "you have not
mistaken, Madam, for he also
is Alexander."

Look on so much, regard
him as his self.

Our Lord looks upon his
beloved as one with himself, &
makes them like himself.

of. John is Rev. ^{Rev. 22:3,9} ~~look~~ down upon
all the fellow-servants, as people. A
mistake - but the saints, so like the Lord,
see not with infirmities, yet
as he is.

Believing to be identified with X
person.

A Shepherd? they not without but they
a King? not glorious with his subject
a Bridegroom? in issue as just
Messiah? 7

No X without Xth.

No Saviour ~ savior men
No Elder Brother ~ younger brother
No Redeemer ~ redeemed
We are his fulness

John 4:17 From Old to New