The Rapture Occurs On the Day of the Lord!



I believe this picture may depict an accurate description of 1 Thessalonians 4. But when?

This post is to add more information on what I wrote on <u>The Popular but False</u> <u>Doctrine of the Rapture.</u>

And why did I call the doctrine of the Rapture false? I am talking about how the majority of evangelicals define the Rapture:

- A) The rapture doctrine purports that Christ will come back to this earth in two phases. First, He will come spiritually to "rapture away" believers who have been faithful to Him. This first phase of His coming is going to be silent or secret.
- B) After the righteous are raptured away to heaven, a fierce antichrist power will appear on the earth and rule the world for a period of seven years. This seven-year period is popularly referred to as the tribulation period.
- C) During this tribulation period, people who will refuse to go along with the new order of the antichrist will be brutally persecuted. However, amidst the great persecution by this satanic power, anyone who will believe and embrace Christ at this difficult time will have a second chance at salvation.
- D) After the seven-year tribulation period, Christ returns visibly to destroy the antichrist power and dispense His wrath on the world's nations. This is the general teaching of the secret rapture doctrine. (From: https://whitethroneministries.org/resources/lessons/the-secret-rapture-doctrine)

None of the above are supported by Scripture! All of these statements are speculation, reading into the Bible what isn't there, and based on a false interpretation of the <u>70th Week of Daniel</u>.

Today, December 1st 2021, I saw for the first time that the prophecy at the end of I Thessalonians chapter four does *not* end with that chapter but it continues on with more information in chapter five! And that shows it's a continuous event!

- 1 Thessalonians 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.
- 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:1 **But of the times and the seasons**, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
- 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.
- 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

If you keep in mind there are no chapter breaks in the original text, you will see the prophecy at the end of First Thessalonians chapter 4 continues on to chapter 5. And if you see that, I think you should see that the rapture of the saints happens the same day as the destruction of the wicked. Therefore it **cannot** be a secret event!

Another Scripture that confirms the rapture occurs on the Day of the Lord:

Matthew 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together **first the tares**, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat (the redeemed of Christ Jesus) into my barn.