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The Rapture Course Overview

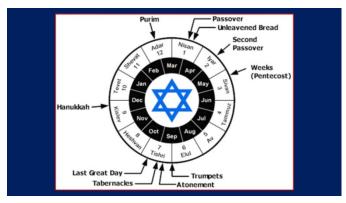
- I. What is the Rapture?
- II. When is the Rapture?
- III. Strengthening the Pre-Tribulational case
- IV. The opposing views
- V. One second after the Rapture
- VI. Questions & Answers

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Pentecost	Spring	Praise for full crop	Acts 2:1-4
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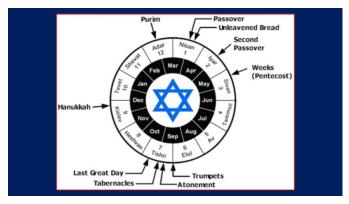


Imminent (1 Cor 15:51; 1 Thess 4:15)

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- Imminency definition
- James 5:8; 1 Thess 1:10; 1 Cor 1:7; Philip 3:20
- We are to be looking for Jesus Christ and not the Antichrist!
- Motivator (Holiness, Evangelism)
- Feast of Trumpets?

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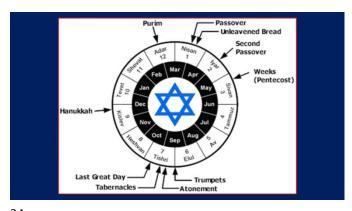




5. Discontinuity Between Israel & the Church					
	ISRAEL CHURCH				
Marriage	Wife	Bride			
Christ	Birthed Christ	Birthed by Christ			
Return	2 nd advent	Rapture			
Leader	King	Head, Groom			
Beginning	Gen 12	Acts 2			
Scripture	4/5	1/5			
Covenants	Parties	Beneficiaries			
<u>Nation</u>	<u>Political</u>	<u>Spiritual</u>			



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When Did the Church Begin?



- 1. Christ referred to the Church in the future tense (Matt. 16:18)
- 2. Paul referred to the Church as a "mystery" (Eph. 3:4-5, 9)
- 3. The Church did not exist prior to Acts 1 since Christ became the head of the Church (Eph. 5:23) after His Ascension (Eph. 1:20-22)
- The Church did not exist prior to Acts 1 since spiritual gifts (1 Cor. 12:7; 14:26) only came into existence after His Ascension (Eph. 4:7-11)

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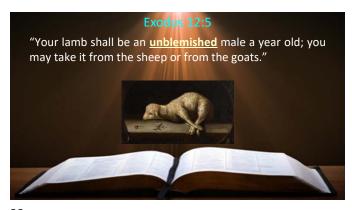
- 5. The Church existed before Paul's conversion in Acts 9 (Acts 5:11; 8:1,3; Rom. 16:7)
- 6. The Baptizing (joining, uniting, identifying) ministry of the Holy Spirit began in Acts 2
 - a. 1 Cor. 12:13
 - b. Acts 1:5
 - c. Acts 11:15-16
 - d. Acts 2:1-4, 37-41

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	7 "I AM" statements in Joh	n
	I am the Bread of Life	6:35
	I am the Light of the world	8:12
	I am the Gate for the sheep	10:7; cf. v.9
	I am the Good Shepherd	10:11,14
	I am the Resurrection and the Life	11:25
	I am the Way and the Truth and the Life	14:6
A	I am the true Vine	15:1; cf. v.5

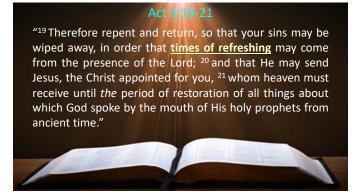
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1 Corinthians 15:20-23
"20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the <u>first</u> <u>fruits</u> of those who are asleep. ²¹ -For since by a
man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of
the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will
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"When God fulfilled the first four feasts, He had provided everything necessary for Israel to enter into literal kingdom blessing—redemption, separation, resurrection, and the presence of the Holy Spirit. Israel's rejection of these, however, made a necessary national change of heart before the kingdom could be established...The paschal lamb of God pointed out by John the Baptist was rejected as an imposter. The resurrection of Christ, as it answered to the Feast of First Fruits, was suppressed in it's proclamation by the bribe money paid to the sentries...Finally, the coming of the Spirit was rejected at Pentecost as the Jews...



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...taunted the apostles with charges of drunkenness. By the time of the close of Acts chapter 2, God had done all He could do for Israel until they repented as a nation. Thus, the significance of Peter's second sermon in Acts 3 was that it re-emphasized the condition of millennial blessing already laid down in the Old Testament, but as yet unfulfilled...Of the upmost importance here is the fact that the shedding of the blood of Christ to take away sin, and with the coming of the Spirit to empower the life of the redeemed, all of the spiritual requirements for the millennial kingdom had been met as far as God was concerned....

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...But, God's provision could not be operative until man appropriated it. This point cannot be over emphasized, for it is not only the reason for the delay in the fulfillment of the final three feasts, it is the basis for understanding the relationship of the church to the feasts."

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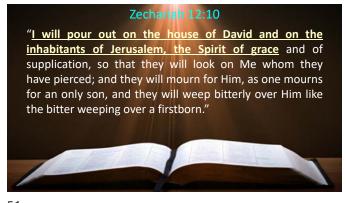
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"Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths. ¹⁷ And it will be that whichever of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, there will be no rain on them. ¹⁸ If the family of Egypt does not go up or enter, then no rain will fall on them; it will be the plague with which the LORD smites the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths."



Thomas D. Ice

Thomas D. Ice, "The Feasts of Israel in Prophecy," in Charting the End Times: A Visual Guide to Understanding Bible Prophecy, ed. Time LaHaye and Thomas Ice (Eugene, OR: Harvest House, 2001), 103-104.

"The three fall feasts await fulfillment in the events that will take place at the Second Coming of Christ and in the Millennium. The Feast of Trumpets will take place at the Second Coming, as Matthew 24:31 indicates: 'He will send forth his angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.' The Day of Atonement will be applied to the nation of Israel when the people realize that Jesus was their long-awaited Messiah all along (Zechariah 12:10; Romans 11:25–27). And the Feast of Tabernacle's will be fulfilled by the Millennial kingdom when the Jewish nation will dwell with their God in the land of Israel for 1000 years."

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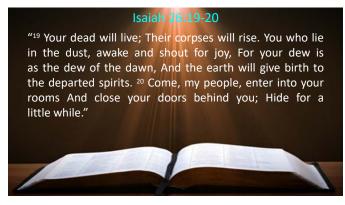


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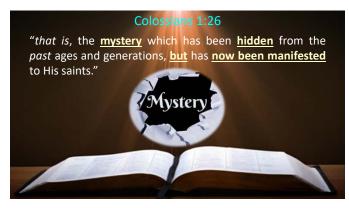
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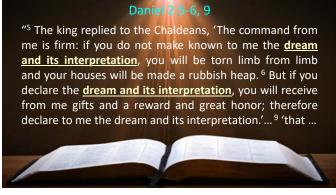


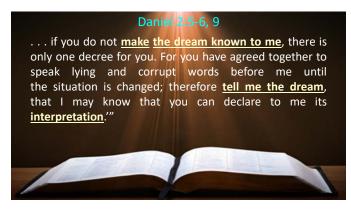


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"In the N.T, it [mystērion] denotes, not the mysterious (as with the Eng. word), but that which, being outside the range of unassisted natural apprehension, can be made known only by Divine revelation, and is made known in a manner and at a time appointed by God, and to those who are illumined by His Spirit." W.E. Vine, Merrill E. Unger, and William White, Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of the Old and New Testament Words (Nashbulle: Nelson, 1996), 424.

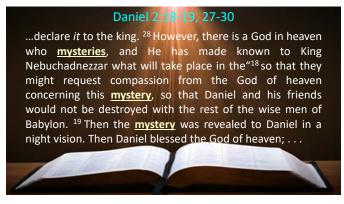
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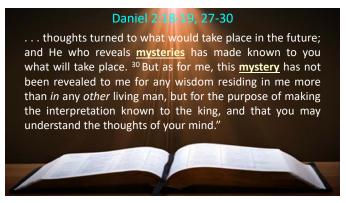


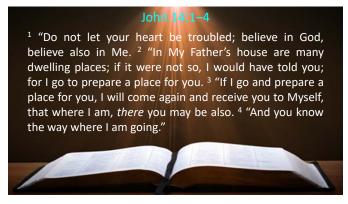




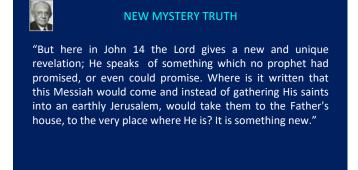








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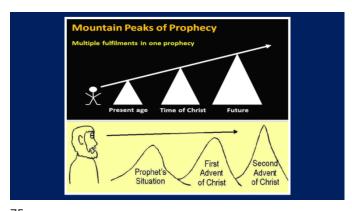
Arno C. Gaebelein, The Gospel of John, 268.

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"3 that by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. ⁴ By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; ⁶ to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel".



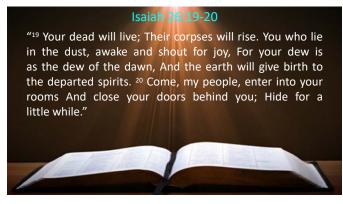


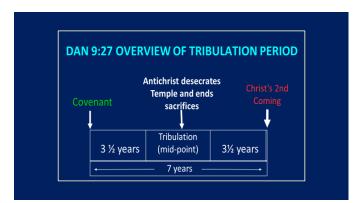


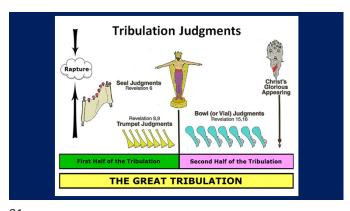


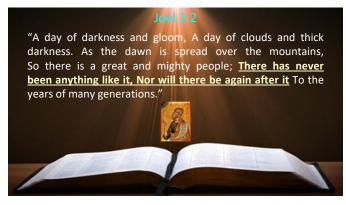




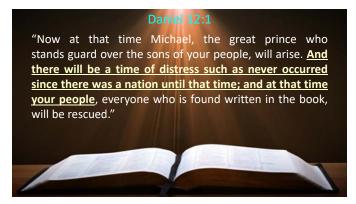








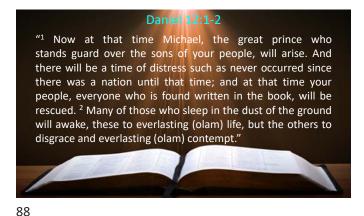








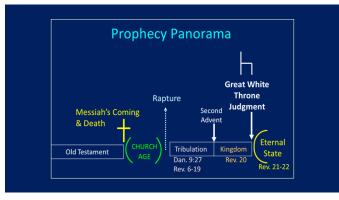


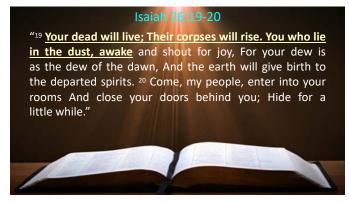


Revelation 20:4-6 "4 Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life [zaō] and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life [zaō] until the. . .

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