

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

JESUS OR THE ANTICHRIST?

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PART 4: THE RAPTURE & THE MARK OF THE BEAST

WILL THERE BE A RAPTURE?

There has been much speculation on the rapture and instead of quoting different people, denominations and books, let us turn to the ultimate source, the Bible and see what it teaches on this subject.

Jesus taught there will be a separation toward the end of time when the righteous will be separated from the evil ones and removed from the earth. Jesus does not say where the righteous are taken; we are only told they will be removed from the earth. **Matthew 24:37-42; Luke 17:26-37**

It is interesting to note that Jesus described that some were taken during the night while others were working during the day. At that time people didn't know that the earth is a globe rotating around the sun and half the world is in darkness at any given time but Jesus truthfully described the event without a technical description to his listeners.

With this information we can conclude there is going to be a removal from the earth of God's people at some time in history.

There is only one more reference to the removal of believers in Christ found in the writings of the apostle Paul in which he told us there will be a resurrection at the end time but there is a mystery because some Christians will be alive on the earth when this takes place. **1 Corinthians 15:51-58**

But Paul did not tell us when this was going to take place and where the resurrected people would be taken. To find out more, we must turn to **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

Paul told us that there will be some believers in Christ who will be alive when the believers will be caught up from the earth and to be taken to be with the Lord. **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

But Paul did not know when this was going to take place. **1 Thessalonians 5:1; Revelation 16:15**

The Book of Revelation (95-96 A.D.) was not written when Paul wrote his letter to the church in Thessalonica (52 A.D.).

We have learned there is going to be a catching away of believers in Christ but when will it happen? To get more information, we will look to Paul's second letter to the Thessalonian church. **2 Thessalonians 2:1-4**



From the Bible we have established that there will be a catching away of believers in Christ but that this event will not take place until the Antichrist has begun his reign on the earth. Since his reign is going to last for 41.6 years it is impossible to know when it will happen since we have no Bible references on this matter.

It is clear that the believers in Christ are going to be persecuted by the regime of the Antichrist. **Revelation 13:5-9**

It is also obvious that the believers in Christ *will not* suffer the wrath of God when the judgments listed in the Book of Revelation are poured out on the earth. **1 Thessalonians 5:3-11**

THE MARK OF THE BEAST

The Book of Revelation is the only book in the Bible that speaks of the Mark of the Beast; not even Jesus spoke about this event when he walked on earth.

When we look at the impact the Mark of the Beast will have on people on the earth and later through eternity, it should come as no surprise that the Devil has done his best to destroy the Book of Revelation.

Some of the most successful of the Devil's disciples are the liberal theologians and pastors down through the centuries who labeled the Book of Revelation as an allegory which the apostle John wrote when he was imprisoned by the Romans on the prison island of Patmos. In order to get a secret message out to the Christians in the Roman Empire, they have said that John fabricated this book as an allegory so the prison officials would not stop the parchments as John sent them out by Christians who visited him on the island.

Therefore most Christian main denominations have dismissed the Book of Revelation and rejected all the warnings given by Jesus himself. Many contemporary pastors like Rick Warren, Bill Hybels, Robert Schuller, etc. do not even speak on the Book of Revelation. The result is that when this end time comes about, a majority of Christians will take the Mark of the Beast and think nothing of it.

Let us now examine what Jesus has told us about this time period:

1. All people will worship the Antichrist, Satan's messiah, except those who are born again and refuse to bow their knees to this man. **Revelation 13:8**
2. Jesus told the apostle John some 1,900 years ago there would be television on the earth. **Revelation 13:14-15**

This television picture system would be global so that people in all nations can see the same pictures at the same time. **Revelation 11:7-10**

3. There will be an identification program developed so that every human being on this earth will be marked and registered in it. In order for this to work, there must be a world leader who has taken control of all nations and instituted a database system into which all people are registered. This will also require

that the people in charge of selling and buying must have access to this database and have the equipment to scan each person at each transaction.

Is there a technology on the earth that can handle this gigantic project? **YES!**

In all Western nations of the world, citizens are registered via a number system. In the United States it is known as "Social Security." In the last few years in the United States, the databases of the Social Security administration, the IRS, the FBI, credit bureaus, health care providers, department of motor vehicles, federal and state prison systems, and the armed forces have all transferred their data to a shared super computer system. Linked to this system is fingerprint information acquired by all those who possess a driver's license and DNA as more and more people are duped into giving away their DNA to health providers and all criminals are forced to submit their DNA information.

Every store in the United States which processes credit cards is wired to a central clearing house, including all gas stations. Thus the system is already in place in the United States and Europe.

The system is ready to go once the political decision is made that everyone must be registered and have a device implanted under their skin. Let's carefully re-examine the following verses: **Revelation 13:16-18**

4. Jesus tells us that the number 666 is the number of a man and with understanding it is possible to know who it is. Very few people know that this number is found in the Old Testament. **1 Kings 10:14-20**

King Solomon was worshiped by men and his Cabalistic number was 666. Solomon had a special throne built so that when anyone stood in front of his throne, they could see six lions on each side of the six steps leading up to the throne. The throne literally read 666.

King Solomon developed the Cabala as he grew older and backslid terribly. **1 Kings 11:1-9**

The Cabalistic writings with those from the Talmud were the doctrine behind renegade Jews who founded the World Zionist Federation in 1898 and were instrumental in recreating the State of Israel in 1948. They have proudly displayed their number of 666 on the flag of Israel with the "Star of David," which in inside occult circles is known as the "Seal of Solomon," or the hexagram.

There was a strong opposition when a state flag was going to be chosen for the new state of Israel, and many orthodox Jews wanted the menorah, which is a seven armed candle stick to be on the flag, but the occult forces won out and put on the Star of David.¹

¹ THE SIX-POINTED STAR, Dr. O.J. Graham, The Free Press, Box 452, Don Mills, Ontario, M3C 2T2, Canada

David Ben-Gurion² (1886-1973) said the following in a speech:

“The image of the world in 1987 as traced in my imagination: The Cold War will be a thing of the past. International pressure of the constantly growing intelligentsia in Russia for more freedom and the pressure of the masses for raising their living standards may lead to a gradual democratization of the Soviet Union.

On the other hand, the increasing influence of the workers and farmers, and the rising political importance of men of science, may transform the United States into a welfare state with a planned economy. Western and Eastern Europe will become a federation of autonomous states having a Socialist and democratic regime.

With the exception of the U.S.S.R as a federated Eurasian state, all other continents will become united in a world alliance, at whose disposal will be an international police force. All armies will be abolished, and there will be no more wars. In Jerusalem, the United Nations (a truly United Nations) will build a Shrine of the Prophets to serve the federated union of all continents; this will be the seat of the Supreme Court of Mankind, to settle all controversies among federated continents.”³

Christians should take heed to what this powerful Zionist leader spoke in 1962. Has his vision come true? Judge for yourself by looking at these facts:

- ❖ The Soviet Union ceased to exist in 1991. Ben Gurion was only off by four years.
- ❖ The European Union (EU) is a socialistic democratic federation consisting of the Western Nations and most of the former Eastern European Soviet slave states.
- ❖ The United States is slowly but surely developing into a welfare state and our economy is planned by the Federal Reserve Banks.
- ❖ The rest of his utopian vision is being worked on and we saw some strange developments at the Global Summit in Copenhagen in 2009 that dealt with Global Warming.
- ❖ Ben Gurion spoke of Jerusalem as the power center of the world, with a shrine (temple) and a supreme court that has jurisdiction over all nations. The only thing he did not mention was a world leader.

²“Zionist statesman and political leader, the first prime minister (1948-1953, 1955-1963) and defense minister (1948-1953; 1955-1963) of Israel. It was Ben-Gurion who, on May 14, 1948, at Tel Aviv, delivered Israel's declaration of independence. His charismatic personality won him the adoration of the masses, and, after his retirement from the government and, later, from the Knesset (the Israeli house of representatives), he was revered as the ‘Father of the Nation.’” Encyclopedia Britannica

³ LOOK, February 16, 1962

As Christians we should take note of these facts and realize that the World Zionist Federation has been working on world dominance for many years and they are almost there. The apostle John was alive in 70 A.D. when the Romans destroyed Jerusalem and the Temple and scattered the Jewish people all over the empire and millions of them ended up as slaves. Therefore, John was absolutely stunned when Jesus showed him the vision 25 years later of Jerusalem and the Temple taking center stage in the world.

Jesus showed John that during the final time on this earth, the Jews are back in Jerusalem, a new temple has been built, and most important of all, the Jews are ruled by their own messiah who is the supreme world ruler.
Revelation 17:1-6

ARE YOU READY TO FACE THE END TIMES?

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?

