Remember Acts 17:11 Note: Please refer to the more detailed study videos available on our YouTube Channel under the playlist: Journey Through the Bible-Revelation (36 Sessions) Revelation & Eschatology: Eschatology: The Study of Last Things The Destiny of the Soul The Culmination of God's Will The Final Resolution of the Great Rebellion The Restoration of the Universe to God God's Definition (Daniel 9:24) To Bring the Rebellion to an End To Put a Stop to Sin To Atone for Iniquity To Bring in Everlasting Righteousness To Seal Up Vision and Prophecy To Anoint the Most Holy Place The Return of Christ in Biblical Literature: 1,845 OT References 318 NT References 1:8 Ratio of Prophetic Statements (1st Coming vs. 2nd Coming) **Definitions:** Rapture: (Gk. Harpazo) The event described in 1 Thes. 4 during which the Church is removed from the Earth to be in the presence of Christ. Tribulation: (Great Tribulation) The period in which spiritual and military forces from Heaven, Satan, and Earth engage in battle concluding with the end of the rebellion. Millennium: The period of 1,000 years described in Rev. 20 in which Christ hold political power over all the earth prior to the final judgement of Satan and those still disobedient to God.

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Session 52: Revelation (Part II)

The Rise of Amillennialism (Cont.):	
- Roman Imperial Church: Priesthood Includes	
Converted Pagans Without a Theological Background	
 Forfeited Prophetic Mission to the Aristocracy 	
 Refusal to Acknowledge the Fallenness of the 	
State	
 Revelation is Allegorical 	
 Revelation is Thiegoriean Roman Catholic Church Maintains this View 	
- Early Reformers Focused on Salvation by Faith While	
Largely Ignoring Eschatology	
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Amillennialism Fails To Address:	
- Political Reign Elements of OT Messianic Prophecy	
- God's Covenants with Israel	
- Destiny of Israel in Dan. 9 & Rev. 4	
- The Promise of God to Mary (Lk. 1:30-33)	
The Harpazo (Rapture):	
Please See Journey Through the Bible: Revelation	
Sessions 15 (Parts A, B, &C)	
- ἀρπάζω: Harpazo (Greek)	
o Raptus: (Latin)	
- Outline of Biblical Usage:	
 To seize, carry off by force 	
 To claim for oneself eagerly 	
 To snatch out or away 	
- In the Bible (Eschatological Use)	
o 1Thess. 4:17	
- Cf. John 14:1-4	
 Ancient Jewish Wedding Ceremony 	
o Preparation of an Addition to the Father's House	
 Ritual Kidnapping of the Bride 	
- Note: The Rapture & The Judgement are 2 Events	
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<u>The Tribulation</u> :	
Note: The Rapture Has No Qualifiers in the Form of	
Temporal Signs. The Great Tribulation Does.	
- Daniel's 70 th Week (Last 3½ Years)	
- Cf. 1 Thess. 5:1-9	
 "God has not appointed us to wrath but 	
salvation" v.9	

The Tribulation (Cont.) - Cf. 2 Thess. 2:1-6 The Great Falling Away o The Revealing of the "Man of Sin" Exalts Himself Above All Deities The Abomination of Desolation Defined o The Restrainer Holds Back the "Man of Sin" • Person (Singular) "He": Holy Spirit Change in Role (Restrainer) • Remember: Omnipresent Church Called Out But Others Will Still Be Saved (Ref. Rev. 7:13-17) • Unless They Have Previously Rejected Christ (Taken the Mark) "And then..." Order of Events: The Great Apostasy/Laodicean Age (2 Thess. 2:2-9) The Fullness of the Gentiles is Gathered (Rom. 11:25) The Restraining Ends (Harpazo) (2 Thess. 2:6-8) Daniel's 70th Week Begins (Dan. 9:26-27) The Man of Sin is Unveiled (2 Thess. 2:3-5) The Abomination of Desolation is Placed (Dan. 9:27) The Day of the Lord The Proclamation of the Lamb (Rev. 5:8-13) The Great Tribulation (Mt. 24:22) The 7 Seals (Rev. 6:1-8:5) The 7 Trumpets (Rev. 8:6-11:19 The 7 Bowles (Rev. 16:1-21) The Millennial Reign (Rev. 20:1-6) The Final Battle (Rev. 20:7-15) (The Great White Throne Judgement) The Banishment of Satan (Rev. 20:10) The New Jerusalem (Rev. 21) Rapture Day of the Lord Jesus Comes for His Bride Jesus Comes for His Throne Transposition of Believers (Resurrection of the Lost) Saints Go to Heaven Saints Return to Earth **Nations Remain** Nations Judged Follows Detailed Signs Unqualified (Imminent) Hinted in the OT (Is. 26:16-21) Foretold in the OT & NT **Believers Only Entire Earth** Concludes the Time of Wrath Before the Time of Wrath No Reference to Satan Binding of Satan Comes in the Air Descends to the Earth Only the Believers See Him Whole Earth Sees Him

Views on the Tribulation Period: Mid & Post-Tribulation - Denies the NT Teaching of Imminency o "Like a thief in the night..." Expect at Any Time Requires the Church to be on the Earth During the Judgement o Church Would Experience God's Wrath (Cf. 1 Thess. 5:9; Rev. 3:10) The Saints Can't be Descending with Him Pre-Tribulation Scripture: 70th Week is Characterized by a Covenant Enforced by the Man of Sin (Dan. 9:27) The Grate Tribulation Occurs During the Last Half of Daniel's 70th Week (Mt. 24:15-21) The Man of Sin is Not Revealed Until After the Rapture (2 Thess. 2:6-9) Early Church Eschatological Writings: Referencing Matthew 24:36-44: "This teaching means that the separation of the faithful from the unfaithful will consist in one being accepted and the other abandoned. For, like the prophet (ref. Isaiah 26:19-21) says, when the wrath of God rises, the saints will be hidden in God's chambers, but the faithless will be left exposed to celestial fire." -St. Hilary of Poitiers (Circa 310-367AD) "In Matthaeum" In Sur Matthieu II. Ed. Jean Doignon. Sources Chretiennes, Vol. 258. Paris: Cerf, 1979. Referencing I Thessalonians 4:13-18 "If he is about to descent, on what account shall we be caught up? For the sake of honor. For when a king drives into a city, those who are in honor go out to meet him; but the condemned await the judge within." -St. John Chrysostom (Circa 347-407AD) "Homilies on First Thessalonians." In Epistulam I ad Thessalonicenses. TLG 2062.162. "All the saints and elect of God are gathered together before the Tribulation, which is to come, and are taken to the Lord in order that they may not see at any time the confusion which overwhelms the world because of our sins." -Ephraim of Nisibis (306-373AD) or Isidor of Seville (d. 636). Ice, Thomas The Rapture in Pseudo-Ephraem. Linchburg, VA: Liberty Univ. 2009.

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For Discussion:	
Share Your Notes and Highlights with Your Groups.	
Consider:	
What were your thoughts on the "Day of the Lord" before this	
session?	
What questions did you have about the end times that these	
passages were able to answer?	