

Revelation 4:1-2 The Rapture Speaker: Jeff Thompson

"It's the most preposterous doctrine in all of Christianity. The only thing it's got going for it is that it's unquestionably true."

- Chuck Missler on the Rapture

V.1: At the end of the _____,

before ______ begins, the Church is called up to Heaven by Jesus.

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. - 1 John 3:1-2

Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed - in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

There will be a ______ of the Church on Earth when the Rapture occurs.

The Rapture will be _____.

V.2: The believer will receive a ______.

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." - John 14:1-3

The Rapture:	Jesus comes	His Church
The Second Coming:	Jesus comes	His Church
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E.G. The traditional Jewish wedding speaks of Jesus' plan for His Bride, the Church.

The righteous have never and will never experience the

E.G. Noah, Lot, Moses, Rahab, etc.

...God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ... - 1 Thessalonians 5:9

Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, until the indignation is past. For behold, the Lord comes out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity... - Isaiah 26:20-21

...so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints. - 1 Thessalonians 3:13