

# Rapture Ready

Revelation 19:7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."

1. **Faith like Otis Clark** Romans 8:11 "But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you."
2. **We are in the End-Times**
  - a. **Ephesus:** AD 33-AD 100 The early church began to lose its revival fire and turn to religious rituals.
  - b. **Smyrna:** AD 100- AD 312 Smyrna means "Crushed Myrrh" and speaks of the severe persecution that took place during these years from Nero to Diocletian.
  - c. **Pergamum:** AD 312- AD 590 Speaks of the marriage between the church and state under Constantine which he did to help his empire and it perverted Christianity.
  - d. **Thyatira:** AD 590- AD 1517 Thyatira means "Continued Sacrifice" which speaks of the dead religion and rituals of the Catholic church during the dark ages. The church became apostate during this time and was no longer true Christianity but rather a cult. The inquisition and martyrdom of true Christians took place during this time.
  - e. **Sardis:** AD 1517- AD 1750 and speaks of the great reformation that took place through Martin Luther a German monk who hated the dead religion of the Catholic church and split off starting the Protestant movement and restoring the doctrine of salvation by grace and faith in Christ and not found in dead rituals.
  - f. **Philadelphia:** AD 1750- AD 1905 Philadelphia means "Brotherly Love" and speaks of the great revivals of these years.
  - g. **Laodicea:** speaks of the last day church. It speaks of the entertainment, wealth, higher education, pride, humanism, and complacency of the lukewarm church of the end-times.

***Laodicean Church needs anointed eyes (spiritual vision), white garments (make herself ready and righteous living), and gold refined in the fire (all will be tested by fire)***

- All will be tested by Fire (either the fire of the Holy Spirit or fire of the Tribulation) Matt 3:11
- The Days of Noah (the ark a prophetic type of the Rapture)
- Enoch a Prophetic type of one to be Raptured
- Elijah a Prophetic type of one to be Raptured
- The Priests would stay seven days at the Tabernacle (Marriage Supper)
- The 70<sup>th</sup> week of Daniel is the time of Jacob's Trouble AFTER the Gentile age

### 3. **Various Views:**

- a. **Mid trib argument:** One of the principal arguments of the midtribulationists is that the rapture will take place at the "last trump," which they identify with the seventh trumpet in Revelation. The midtribulationist views the seventh trumpet of Revelation 11:15 and the last trump of 1 Corinthians 15:52 and 1 Thessalonians 4:16 as the same.

- b. Post Trib Matthew 24:12-31: "...because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold...when you see the abomination of desolation...then will be great tribulation...Immediately after the tribulation of those days ...the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven...and He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect..." And, II Thessalonians 2:2-3: "...the day of Christ...will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed...who...sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God."
4. **Extra Oil** : Ten Virgins but 5 didn't make the rapture Matt 25 (difference between body and bride)
- a. Impartation and Breaking off yoke (Is 10:27, Rom 1:11, 1John 2:27)
  - b. Clothing of power and Value of speaking in tongues (the Priests could not even enter the Holy Place without being baptized in the Holy Spirit: Priestly Garments are wedding Garments Matt 22:1-14)
    - i. Acts 1:8, Luke 24:49 Clothing of Power
    - ii. Mark 16:17, Jude 20, Rom 8:26, 1Cor 14:2 The Value of your Prayer Language (edify self, utter mysteries, armor, build faith, enemy cannot understand, pray perfect will of God)
5. **Let's Here Steve Hill's Prophecy during the Pensacola Revival (Iphone)**

Live unsettled. Don't sink too deep into the soil of this earth. Keep your head up and your feet moving. Stay alert. Be sober. I'm coming. The day of My return is at hand. Loose yourself of any ties that bind. If you don't loose yourself, I'll help loose you. I want no obstacles. I will return for a 'pilgrim people.' My final work is at hand. My Spirit's wooing is about to cease. No one will grieve Me anymore. No one will quench My Spirit anymore. No one will resist Me anymore. Their days will be over. My warm season of grace and mercy will soon turn to a chilling winter of judgment of wrath. The warm days of My wooing will be exchanged for the fiery days of My vengeance. My pleading for the souls of man, the passionate cry of My faithful harvesters, the unselfish service of My holy servants, all their labor, all the charity, all the pain, all the suffering it will be over. I have heard the groans of nature. I have heard the midnight cries. My Bride has been longing to be with Me. The tree has born forth its fruit. The fertile soil has yielded the harvest. The planting will stop. The laborers will leave. The sickle will rust. It's almost over. I'm coming back. I will not delay My coming to you, so don't delay your coming to Me."

Prophecy to Ministers from John Bevere: "No longer hold back the necessary warnings from those the Holy Spirit has placed under your care. Shepherd the church of God purchased with the precious blood of His Son. The time has come when many will no longer heed sound doctrine. Plagued by covetous hearts and itching ears, they will seek out those who will preach a "gospel" that gratifies their self-serving appetites. This will not cease, but will continue to spread, until leadership accepts and walks in the mantle of the Elijah prophetic ministry God is releasing to the church. We must not cling only to the teachings but also to the warnings and corrections of the Lord. Be bold and speak the truth, in the fear of God, and for the love of His people!"

