

THE RAPTURE

THIS PRESENT AGE... IN RESPECT TO THE CHURCH... TERMINATES... WITH THE... TRANSLATION OF THE CHURCH... INTO THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH IS ONE OF THE MAJOR THINGS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE... ESCHATOLOGY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT... SOME OF THE SCRIPTURE TO CONSIDER ARE:

[JOHN 14:1-3] AMP

"DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED (DISTRESSED, AGITATED). YOU BELIEVE IN AND... AND RELY ON... TRUST IN GOD... BELIEVE IN... TRUST IN... RELY ON ME.

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE THERE ARE MANY DWELLING PLACES (HOMES). IF IT WERE NOT SO, I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU... FOR I AM GOING AWAY... TO PREPARE A PLACE... FOR YOU.

AND WHEN (IF) I GO AND MAKE READY A PLACE FOR YOU... I WILL COME BACK AGAIN... AND WILL TAKE YOU TO MYSELF... THAT WHERE I AM... YOU MAY BE ALSO."

[2 THESS. 2:1]

BUT RELATIVE TO THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST... THE MESSIAH... AND OUR GATHERING TOGETHER TO MEET HIM...

[1 THESS. 4:13-18]

"NOW ALSO WE WOULD NOT HAVE YOU IGNORANT ~ BRETHERN ~ ABOUT THOSE WHO FALL ASLEEP [IN DEATH] ~ THAT YOU MAY NOT GRIEVE [FOR THEM] ~ AS THE REST DO ~ WHO HAVE NO HOPE ~ BEYOND THE GRAVE FOR SINCE WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED AND ROSE AGAIN ~ EVEN SO GOD ~ WILL ALSO BRING WITH HIM ~ THROUGH JESUS ~ THOSE WHO HAVE FALLEN ~ ASLEEP [IN DEATH].

FOR THIS WE DECLARE TO YOU BY THE ~ LORD'S OWN WORD ~ THAT WE WHO ARE ALIVE ~ AND REMAIN UNTIL THE COMING OF THE LORD ~ SHALL IN NO WAY PRECEDE [INTO HIS PRESENCE] OR HAVE ANY ADVANTAGE AT ALL OVER THOSE WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY FALLEN ASLEEP [IN HIM IN DEATH].

— FOR —

THE LORD HIMSELF WILL DESCEND FROM ~ WITH A LOUD CRY OF SUMMONS ~ WITH THE SHOUT OF AN ARCHANGEL ~ AND ~ WITH THE BLAST OF THE TRUMPET OF GOD ~ AND "ALL" WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE IN CHRIST ~ WILL RISE FIRST.

THEN

WE ~ THAT STILL LIVING ~ WHO REMAIN [ON THE EARTH] SHALL SIMULTANEOUSLY ~ BE ~

CAUGHT UP TOGETHER [ALONG WITH THE
RESURRECTED DEAD] IN THE CLOUDS TO
MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR AND SO
ALWAYS THROUGH THE ETERNITY OF THE
ETERNITIES WE SHALL BE WITH THE LORD!
— THEREFORE —

COMFORT AND ENCOURAGE ONE
ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS:

[1 COR 1:8]

AND HE WILL ESTABLISH YOU TO THE
END — KEEP YOU STEADFAST — GIVE
YOU STRENGTH — GUARANTEE YOUR
VINDICATION — THAT IS — BE YOUR WARRANT
AGAINST "ALL" ACCUSATION OR INDICTMENT
— SO THAT YOU WILL BE —
GUILTLESS AND IRREPROACHABLE — IN —
THE DAY OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
— THE MESSIAH —

[1 COR 15:51-52]

TAKE NOTICE — I TELL YOU A
MYSTERY — A SECRET TRUTH — AN EVENT
DECREED BY HIDDEN PURPOSE OF GOD.
WE

SHALL NOT ALL FALL ASLEEP [IN DEATH]
BUT WE SHALL ALL BE CHANGED —
[TRANSFORMED] — IN A MOMENT — IN
THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE — AT THE
SOUND OF THE

LAST TRUMPET ~ CALL ~ FOR THE
TRUMPET WILL SOUND ~ AND THE DEAD
[IN CHRIST] ~ WILL BE RAISED ~
IMPERISHABLE ~ FREE AND IMMUNE
FROM DECAY ~ AND WE SHALL BE ~
~ CHANGED ~ [TRANSFORMED] ~

[PHIL 3:20-21]

"BUT WE ARE CITIZENS OF THE
STATE (COMMONWEALTH, HOMELAND)
WHICH IS IN HEAVEN ~ AND FROM IT ALSO
WE [EARNESTLY AND PATIENTLY] AWAIT
~ [THE COMING OF] THE LORD JESUS
CHRIST ~ THE MESSIAH ~ AS SAVIOR ~
WHO
WILL TRANSFORM AND FASHION ANEW
~ THE BODY OF OUR HUMILIATION TO ~
CONFORM TO ~ AND BE LIKE ~ THE BODY
OF HIS GLORY AND MAJESTY ~ BY ~
EXERTING ~ THAT POWER ~ WHICH
ENABLES HIM ~ EVEN ~ TO SUBJECT
~ EVERYTHING TO HIMSELF."

[2 COR 5:1-9]

FOR WE KNOW THAT IF THE TENT
WHICH IS OUR EARTHLY HOME IS DESTROYED
[DISSOLVED] WE HAVE FROM GOD A
BUILDING ~ A HOUSE NOT MADE WITH
HANDS ~ ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS ~

HERE INDEED - IN THIS (PRESENT
ABODE, BODY) WE SIGH AND GROAN
INWARDLY - BECAUSE WE YEARN TO
BE CLOTHED OVER - TO PUT ON OUR
CELESTIAL BODY - LIKE A GARMENT -
TO BE FITTED OUT - WITH OUR HEAVENLY
DWELLING -

SO THAT BY PUTTING IT ON WE MAY
NOT BE FOUND NAKED - WITHOUT A BODY.

FOR WHILE WE ARE STILL IN THIS
TENT - WE GROAN UNDER THE BURDEN
AND SIGH DEEPLY - WEIGHTED DOWN -
DEPRESSED - OPPRESSED - NOT THAT WE
TO PUT OFF THE BODY (THE CLOTHING OF THE
SPIRIT) BUT RATHER THAT WE ~~W~~ WOULD BE
FURTHER CLOTHED - SO THAT WHAT IS
MORTAL (OUR DYING BODY) MAY BE ~~BE~~
SWALLOWED UP BY - LIFE - [AFTER
THE RESURRECTION] -

NOW

HE WHO HAS FASHIONED US - [PREPARING
AND MAKING US FIT] FOR THIS VERY
THING IS GOD - WHO HAS ALSO GIVEN US
A GUARANTEE - [OF THE FULFILLMENT
OF HIS PROMISE]

FOR

WE WALK BY FAITH - [THAT IS -
WE REGULATE OUR LIVES AND
CONDUCT] - OURSELVES - BY OUR
CONVICTION OR BELIEF -

RESPECTING ~ MAN'S RELATIONSHIP
TO GOD AND DIVINE THINGS ~ WITH
TRUST AND HOLY FERVOR ~ [THUS WE
WALK] NOT BY SIGHT OR APPEARANCE -
CONFIDENT

THAT TO BE ABSENT FROM - IS TO BE -
- PRESENT WITH THE LORD -

THERE IS ~~NO~~ NO QUESTION OF THE
CHURCH BEING "RAPTURED" ~ [TAKEN OUT]
OF THIS PRESENT AGE -

BUT

THE QUESTION OF TIME OF THE RAPTURE
IN RELATION TO THE TRIBULATION -

~ THE PRETRIBULATION ~

INTERPRETATION ~ HOLDS THAT THE
CHURCH ~ [THE BODY OF CHRIST] IN ITS
ENTIRETY ~ WILL BE RESURRECTED
~~ERUPTED~~ AND TRANSLATED ~ [BE
REMOVED FROM THE EARTH] ~ BEFORE
ANY PART OF THE SEVENTIETH WEEK
OF DANIEL BEGINS -

THE PRETRIBULATION BELIEVE ~
THE CHURCH AND ISRAEL ARE TWO
DISTINCT GROUPS WITH WHOM GOD HAS
A DIVINE PLAN -

THE CHURCH IS A MYSTERY
~ AS WE HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED

THAT IT IS UNREVEALED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT --

THIS PRESENT MYSTERY AGE -- INTERVIENES -- WITHIN THE PROGRAM OF GOD FOR ISRAEL --
-- BECAUSE --

OF ISRAEL'S REJECTION OF THE MESSIAH --
-- AT CHRIST'S FIRST ADVENT -- WITH HIS BIRTH IN BETHLEHEM --

THUS

THIS MYSTERY PROGRAM OF THE CHURCH MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE GOD RESUMES HIS PROGRAM WITH ISRAEL AND BRINGS IT TO COMPLETION --

THIS CONCLUSION COMES TO LIGHT WITH THE LITERAL METHOD OF INTERPRETATIONS OF THE SCRIPTURE --

WE WILL CONSIDER THE ARGUMENTS FOR THE PRETRIBULATION RAPTURE A LITTLE LATER --

WE WILL FIRST --

-- DEFINE SOME TERMS --

IT IS WELL CONSIDER THE VARIOUS WORDS USED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECOND ADVENT OF CHRIST.

THESE TERMS ARE USED IN A

GENERAL WAY AND DESCRIBE BOTH
THE RAPTURE AND THE GLORIOUS
RETURN OF CHRIST TO THE EARTH -

① PAROUSIA -- (PARŌŪ'ZEA)

- SECOND COMING -

THE WORD MOST FREQUENTLY
USED IN THE SCRIPTURE TO DESCRIBE
THE RETURN OF CHRIST - IT APPEARS
24 TIMES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT -

THE WORD MEANS NEAR OR
ALONGSIDE - IN THE PRESENCE - THE
ACT BY WHICH THE PRESENCE IS
BROUGHT ABOUT - WHICH IS THE
SECOND COMING OF CHRIST -

EACH TIME THE WORD IS USED IN THE
NEW TESTAMENT - IT IS IN A GENERAL WAY
TO EMPHASIZE THE BODILY PRESENCE OF
CHRIST -

② APOKALYPSIS (APOKALIPS)

- REVELATION - UNCOVER -

~ UNIVERSAL OR WIDESPREAD DESTRUCTION OR
DISASTER -

THE WORD OCCURS - 18 TIMES IN
NOUN FORM - AND 26 TIMES IN VERB
FORM -

A SURVEY OF THOSE PASSAGES IN WHICH THE WORD IS USED IN RELATION TO CHRIST... DEMONSTRATES NUMEROUS INSTANCES THAT LINK IT TO THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST --

[1 PETER 4:13]

-- "HIS GLORY SHALL BE REVEALED" --

[2 THESS 1:7]

-- "WHEN THE LORD JESUS SHALL BE REVEALED FROM HEAVEN" --

[LUKE 17:30]

"EVEN SO IT SHALL BE IN THE DAY WHEN THE SON OF MAN IS REVEALED" --

-- ARE JUST A FEW OF MANY --

-- OTHER PASSAGES REVEAL THE REFERENCE TO THE COMING OF CHRIST -- IN THE AIR -- FOR HIS CHURCH.

[1 COR 1:7]

-- WAITING FOR THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST --

[COL 3:4]

-- WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR -- THEN SHALL WE ALSO APPEAR -- WITH HIM IN GLORY --

[1 PETER 1:7, 13]

--- AT THE APPEARING OF JESUS CHRIST --- AT THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST ---

THE DOCTRINE THAT IS INVOLVED IN THE USE OF THE WORD IN RELATION TO CHRIST --- IS THE FUTURE MANIFESTATION OF CHRIST ---

THESE WORDS EMPHASIZE FACTS IN RELATION TO THE SECOND ADVENT OF CHRIST --- HIS VISIBLY PRESENCE AND HIS GLORY --- WILL BE FULLY MANIFESTED

ANOTHER WORD
EPIPHANEIA --- [EPI - PHANEI]

MEANS TO --- BRING FORTH INTO
-LIGHT, CAUSE TO SHINE, TO SHOW ---

--- IT IS USED --- OF THE COMING OF CHRIST
COMING TO EARTH --- IN HIS INCARNATION ---

[LUKE 1:79] (FIRST ADVENT)

--- "TO GIVE LIGHT TO THEM THAT SIT IN
DARKNESS --- TO GUIDE OUR FEET INTO
THE WAY OF PEACE" ---

[2 TIM 1:10] (SECOND ADVENT)

--- "THE APPEARING OF OUR LORD & SAVIOUR" ---

THE DIFFERENT POSITIONS OF THEORY ON THE RAPTURE

- I] THE PARTIAL RAPTURE POSITION -
- II] THE POSTTRIBULATION RAPTURE THEORY -
- III] THE MIDTRIBULATION RAPTURE -
- IV] THE PRETRIBULATION RAPTURE -

I] THE PARTIAL RAPTURE POSITION -

- THE PRESENT AGE - IN RELATION TO THE CHURCH - ENDS - TERMINATES WITH THE TRANSLATION OF THE CHURCH - INTO THE LORD'S PRESENCE -

- THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRANSLATION OF THE CHURCH - IS ONE OF THE MAJOR CONSIDERATIONS OF THE "ESCHATOLOGY" (STUDY OF LAST DAY EVENTS) OF THE NEW TESTAMENT -

THE FIRST THEORY ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSLATION OF THE CHURCH - IS NOT CONCERNED - WITH THE TIMING OF RAPTURE - IN RELATION TO THE TRIBULATION - BUT WITH THE BELIEVERS TO BE TAKEN -

- WHICH WILL BE -

ONLY THOSE WHO ARE "WATCHING"
AND "WAITING" FOR CHRIST'S RETURN -
WHO

HAVE REACHED SOME DEGREE OF
SPIRITUAL ATTAINMENT - THAT MAKES
THEM WORTHY - TO BE INCLUDED -

"WAUGH" STATES THIS VIEW:

BUT THERE ARE NOT A FEW - SOME
OF THEM - DEEP AND PRAYERFUL -
STUDENTS OF THE SCRIPTURE - WHO
BELIEVE THAT - ONLY - A PREPARED
AND EXPECTANT SECTION OF BELIEVERS
WILL THEN BE TRANSLATED -

THEY BELIEVE THAT A CLEAR
[LOGICAL CONCLUSION] INFERENCE -
FROM [LUKE 21:36] - IS THAT THOSE
CHRISTIANS - WHO DO NOT WATCH - WILL
NOT - "ESCAPE" - ALL THESE THINGS THAT
SHALL COME TO PASS - AND WILL NOT
BE ACCOUNTED WORTHY - TO STAND
BEFORE - CHRIST - THE SON OF MAN -
[LUKE 21:36]

"WATCH YE THEREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS,
THAT YE MAY BE ACCOUNTED WORTHY
TO ESCAPE ALL THOSE THINGS - THAT
SHALL COME TO PASS - AND TO STAND
BEFORE THE - SON OF MAN"

THEY GATHER FROM OTHER SUCH SCRIPTURES AS -- PHIL 3:20 -- TITUS 2:13 -- II TIM 4:8 -- HEB 9:28 -- THAT THOSE ONLY WILL BE TAKEN WHO "WAIT" "LOOK FOR" AND HAVE LOVED HIS APPEARING.

THE PROBLEMS THAT ARISE WITH THE PARTIAL RAPTURE THEORY ARE:

- ① THE PARTIAL RAPTURE POSITION IS A MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE VALUE OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST.

CHRIST DEATH FREES THE SINNER FROM CONDEMNATION (ROM 8:1) -- AND RENDERS HIM ACCEPTABLE TO GOD --

THIS DOCTRINE IS BASED ON 3 WORDS FOUND IN RELATION TO SALVATION AND WORTHINESS: "PROPITIATION" -- "RECONCILIATION" -- "REDEMPTION" --

PROPITIATION

CHRIST BY HAVING HIS OWN BLOOD SPRINKLED -- OVER HIS BODY AT HIS CRUCIFIXION -- BECOMES -- THE MERCY SEAT -- IN REALITY.

[I PETER 1:2] -- [HEBREWS 9]

CHRIST IS THE PROPITIATOR - AND HAS
MADE - PROPITIATION [JOHN 2:2]
[CONCILIATION - RECONCILIATION] BY SO
ANSWERING - THE JUST DEMANDS OF
GOD'S HOLINESS -

"PROPIATION" IS THE GODWARD
SIDE OF THE WORK OF CHRIST - FOR
THE SIN OF THE WORLD - ON THE
CROSS - BY HIS SACRIFICIAL DEATH -

HIS DEATH HAS CHANGED THE
WHOLE POSITION OF MANKIND IN
RELATIONSHIP TO GOD - FOR GOD
RECOGNIZES WHAT CHRIST DID IN
~~BEHALF~~ BEHALF OF THE WORLD - -

WHETHER

MAN ENTERS INTO IT OR NOT - GOD
IS NEVER SAID TO BE RECONCILED - -

BUT

HIS ATTITUDE TOWARD THE WORLD - IS
"ALTERED" - WHEN - THOSE IN THE WORLD
- INDIVIDUALLY - ~~WHO~~ ENTER INTO A
RELATIONSHIP TO HIM - THROUGH THE DEATH OF CHRIST -

RECONCILIATION

RECONCILIATION MEANS THAT - -
SOMEONE OR SOMETHING IS - - -

THOROUGHLY CHANGED - IN RELATIONSHIP
TO SOMETHING - WHICH IS A STANDARD -
-- THAT STANDARD IS THE HOLINESS OF
"JEHOVAH-GOD" --

BY THE DEATH OF CHRIST - ON THE
SINFUL WORLD'S BEHALF - THE WHOLE
WORLD IS THOROUGHLY CHANGED IN ITS
RELATION TO GOD -

THE WORLD IS SO ALTERED IN ITS
POSITION RESPECTING THE HOLY JUDGMENTS
GOD - THROUGH THE CROSS OF CHRIST -
THAT GOD IS ~~NOT~~ - NOT - NOW "IMPUTING"
THEIR SIN UNTO THEM - BECAUSE OF HIS
GRACE - THROUGH CHRIST'S SACRIFICE -
- THUS - EVERY INDIVIDUAL IS "SAVABLE"

SINCE THE POSITION OF THE WORLD
-- BEFORE GOD - IS COMPLETELY CHANGED
THROUGH THE DEATH OF CHRIST - GOD'S
OWN ATTITUDE - TOWARD MANKIND -
CAN NO LONGER BE THE SAME -

GOD

IS NOW PREPARED TO DEAL WITH SOULS
NOW - IN THE LIGHT OF WHAT CHRIST HAS
ACCOMPLISHED -

GOD

ACCEPTS COMPLETELY - ~~THE~~ THE SACRIFICE
OF CHRIST'S LIFE - SO AS TO CONTINUE
BEING JUST - - AND ALSO - THEREBY

ABLE TO JUSTIFY ANY SINNER WHO
ACCEPTS CHRIST AS SAVIOR AND
LORD - AS HIS RECONCILIATION -

REDEMPTION

REDEMPTION IS AN ACT OF GOD -
- BY WHICH HE HIMSELF - PAYS
AS A RANSOM - THE PRICE OF
HUMAN SIN - WHICH THE -
"OUTRAGED"
HOLINESS OF JEHOVAH GOD -
- REQUIRES -

REDEMPTION UNDERTAKES THE
SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF SIN -
WHILE

RECONCILIATION UNDERTAKES THE
PROBLEM OF THE SINNER -
AND

PROPITIATION ~~UNDERTAKES~~ -
UNDERTAKES THE PROBLEM OF -
AN OFFENDED GOD -

REDEMPTION PROVIDED FOR AND
OFFERED TO THE SINNER - IS A
- DIVINE REDEMPTION - BY THE
DIVINE
BLOOD OF CHRIST - GOD'S SON -

THE RESULT OF THIS THREEFOLD WORK
OF GOD'S GRACE IS A --

-- PERFECT SALVATION --

BY WHICH THE SINNER IS JUSTIFIED --
MADE

ACCEPTABLE TO GOD -- AS THOUGH HE
WERE -- THE SON -- A SON -- HIMSELF
[1 JOHN 3:2]

BELOVED -- NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF
GOD --

THUS

THE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS THIS PERFECT
STANDING OF CHRIST -- CAN NEVER BE
LESS THAN -- COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE --
TO GOD --

SO

AS FOR THE PARTIAL RAPTURIST --

"WHO INSISTS"

THAT ONLY THOSE WHO ARE "WATCHING"
AND "WAITING" -- WILL BE TRANSLATED --

"MINIMIZES"

THE PERFECT SALVATION OF GOD -- AND
THE PERFECT STANDING OF THE CHILD
OF GOD -- IN CHRIST -- WHO PRESENTS
THEM -- BEFORE THE FATHER -- IN
HIS [CHRIST] RIGHTEOUSNESS -- ALONE --
TO MINIMIZE THIS

IS TO BE -- LESS PERFECT -- IN CHRIST

THE PARTIAL RAPTURIST
MUST DENY -- THE NEW TESTAMENT
TEACHING ON THE UNITY OF THE
BODY OF CHRIST -- "THE CHURCH"

THE BODY -- THE CHURCH -- INCLUDES
ALL BELIEVERS -- [1 COR 12:12-13]

"FOR AS THE BODY IS ONE --
AND HATH MANY MEMBERS -- AND ALL
THE MEMBERS OF THAT ONE BODY --
BEING MANY -- ARE ONE BODY -- SO
ALSO IS CHRIST,

FOR BY ONE SPIRIT
ARE WE ALL BAPTIZED INTO ONE BODY --
AND

[EPH 5:30] "FOR WE ARE MEMBERS OF
HIS BODY -- OF HIS FLESH -- AND OF HIS
BONE --

[COL 1:18]

"FOR HE (CHRIST) IS THE HEAD OF
THE BODY, THE CHURCH --

IF

THE RAPTURE INCLUDES ONLY A --
PORTION -- A PART -- OF THOSE REDEEMED
THEN

THE BODY -- OF WHICH CHRIST IS THE
HEAD -- WILL BE DISMEMBERED
AND DISFIGURED BODY -- WHEN IT IS
TAKEN TO HEAVEN -- TO CHRIST

THE PARTIAL RAPTURIST
MUST DENY THE COMPLETENESS OF THE
RESURRECTION OF THE BELIEVERS AT
THE RAPTURE.

SINCE ALL LIVING SAINTS COULD NOT
OR WOULD NOT BE RAPTURED THEN
LOGICALLY NOT ALL THE DEAD IN CHRIST
COULD BE RESURRECTED WHY BECAUSE
MANY OF THEM DIED IN SPIRITUAL ^{IM}MA
MATURITY (IMMATUREITY)

BUT

WE SEE PAUL TEACHES "WE ALL SHALL
BE CHANGED" AND THAT "ALL" THOSE
THAT SLEEP IN JESUS WILL GOD BRING
WITH HIM" IN [1 THESS 4:14 1 COR 15:51-52]
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO ADMIT A --
PARTIAL RESURRECTION --

THE PARTIAL RAPTURIST --
CAUSES CONFUSION WHEN WE COME
TO SCRIPTURE TEACHING BETWEEN --
LAW AND GRACE -- IF THE PARTIAL
RAPTURE IS CORRECT THEN HIS BEING
INCLUDED IN THE RAPTURE WOULD
DEPEND ON WORKS -- FOR WHAT HE DID
OR WHAT ATTITUDES HE DEVELOPED --
OR GROWTH IN THE FAITH WOULD BE THE
BASIS OF HIS INCLUSION IN THE --
RAPTURE -- AND NOT HIS STANDING
IN CHRIST ALONE --

AND NOTE ALSO -- THE PARTIAL
 RAPTURE -- PLACES A PORTION OF
 THE BELIEVING CHURCH -- IN THE
 RAPTURE -- THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE
 BECAUSE ONE OF THE PURPOSES
 OF THE TRIBULATION PERIOD --
 IS TO JUDGE THE WORLD -- IN --
 PREPARATION FOR THE -- KINGDOM
 TO FOLLOW --

THE CHURCH --
 DOES NOT NEED -- SUCH A PURGING
 JUDGEMENT -- UNLESS -- THE
 DEATH OF CHRIST -- IS NOT ~~COMPLETE~~
 COMPLETELY EFFECTIVE -- WHICH
 -- COULD NOT BE SO --

NOW

THERE ARE CERTAIN PASSAGES --
 WHICH -- WHICH AT FIRST GLANCE --
 ARE BROUGHT UP IN SUPPORT OF THE
 PARTIAL RAPTURIST -- BUT DO THEY
 -- SUPPORT THIS VIEW --

THEREFORE -- WE MUST EXAMINE
 -- THESE PASSAGES THAT MANY
 GREAT BIBLE SCHOLARS -- USE FOR
 -- THEIR SUPPORT -- AS I MYSELF
 ONCE LEARNED IN THIS DIRECTION --

WE WILL CALL THESE PASSAGES --