

THE RAPTURE WILL YOU BE LEFT BEHIND?

(You Better Hope So!)

Rapture believers want to be “taken” as it says in Matthew 24:40-41 and Luke 17:34-35 - Two men in the field, “...one is taken, and one is left.” Two women at the mill, “...one is taken, and one is left.”

See...the Rapture! The good guys are “taken” and the bad guys are “left behind.”

Rapture theology teaches that the ones “taken” are the Christians - the saved - who are taken up into Heaven by Jesus, and that the ones “left” behind are all those who are not Christians - the unsaved - who will suffer greatly during the Great Tribulation that immediately follows the Rapture.

BUT THIS IS ACTUALLY THE EXACT OPPOSITE OF WHAT THE BIBLE TELLS US:

1) In the “Rapture” passage of 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17, Scripture tells us that “we who are alive, who are LEFT, shall be caught up...to meet the Lord in the air.” One is taken, one is left. The one left will be caught up in the air to meet the Lord! You want to be left behind!

2) And, immediately preceding Matthew 24:40-41 and Luke 17:34-35 (the supposed “Rapture” passages), we are told that the day of the “coming of the Son of Man” - when one is taken and one is left - will be like the days of Noah and also like the days of Lot. Well, think about that:

After the flood, who was left behind? Noah and his family...the good guys!

After the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, who was left behind? Lot and his family...the good guys.

So, if the “coming of the Son of Man” - the “Rapture” - is to be like the days of Noah and the days of Lot, then the bad guys are taken, and the good guys will be left behind! You want to be left behind!!

3) Also, the Bible tells us that the “Rapture” happens at the end of time, not before! 1 Thess 4:16 tells us that the “Rapture” occurs after the “dead in Christ” have risen. Well, that doesn’t take place until...the last day! The end of time is when the righteous are raised! (John 6:39, 40, 44, 54; 11:24)

4) Matthew 13:40-42 slams the door on the Left Behind Rapture theory. In that passage, the Son of Man sends out his angels at the end of time to gather up all of the “evildoers.” The evildoers are the ones taken. The righteous are left behind.

And where are the evildoers taken? They are thrown “into the furnace of fire”...Hell.

If you want to be “caught up in the air” to meet the Lord, at the end of time, when He returns triumphantly to the Earth...then you want to be Left Behind!!!

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