

**Rapture Revelation**  
**Session 5: The Rapture: What Is It?**

**1 Corinthians 15:35-58 TPT**

Verse 49 in the Amplified reads: ***“And just as we have borne the image [of the man] of dust, so shall we and so let us also bear the image [of the Man] of heaven.”***

Here in the Passion it says: ***“Once we carried the likeness of the man of dust, but now let us carry the likeness of the Man of heaven.”***

And what is His likeness? \_\_\_\_\_

Paul then states in verse 50 that **“flesh and blood are not able to inherit God’s kingdom realm, and neither will that which is decaying be able to inherit what is incorruptible.”**

Our present body of \_\_\_\_\_ and blood will be \_\_\_\_\_  
into another \_\_\_\_\_.

This new form has \_\_\_\_\_, but it is of a kind that is suited for the spiritual, imperishable, eternal atmosphere of heaven.

Let’s look at Jesus’ resurrected existence to get an idea of what our future holds:

**John 20:19, 26; Luke 24:30-31; Luke 24:36-42; Revelation 21:4**

He could \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

He could be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

He could \_\_\_\_\_ (although it was not necessary)

He was \_\_\_\_\_, but He could be \_\_\_\_\_

Our resurrected bodies will no longer experience \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, mourning, sorrow, or \_\_\_\_\_.

1. THE RAPTURE IS A \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 15:51 TPT

Listen, and I will tell you a divine mystery: not all of us will die, but we will all be transformed.

“Mystery” – in the original Greek is G3466 *mysterion*, means something \_\_\_\_\_, but now revealed to the true believer.

First, Paul states that flesh and blood cannot enter into God’s presence, but that we must first die, and then be raised in a new, eternal, form.

2. The RAPTURE MEANS \_\_\_\_\_

There were two partial examples of the Rapture in the Word of God. Let’s look at those:

- \_\_\_\_\_  
Genesis 5:21-24; Hebrews 11:5

- \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Kings 2:9-11  
Both of these men were taken directly into heaven without experiencing physical death.

3. The RAPTURE IS A \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 15:51 AMP

Take notice! I tell you a mystery (a secret truth, an event decreed by the hidden purpose or counsel of God). We shall not all fall asleep [in death], but we shall all be changed (transformed)

“Change” – G236 *allasso* – to change, to \_\_\_\_\_ one thing for another, to transform, to make \_\_\_\_\_. To change: to cause one thing to \_\_\_\_\_ and another to take its place.

All believers will be transformed in body and nature into new bodies that are suited for the eternal, spiritual, incorruptible realm in which God dwells.

4. The RAPTURE IS \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 15:52 TPT It will happen in an instant —in the twinkling of his eye.

Here in the Passion, they use the word “instant.” In the KJV is uses the word “moment.” Instant is a good definition, but in reality, it goes even deeper than that.

“Moment” – G823 *atomos* – that cannot be cut in two, or divided, \_\_\_\_\_ of a moment of time.

This word of is made of two words, *Alpha* and *tomos* which means sharper. It is the word used in Hebrews 4:12 that states the Word is sharper than any two-edged sword.

So, what does all this mean? The Rapture will occur so quickly and suddenly that the time frame in which it happens cannot be humanly divided. In a flash of a second, every living human believer on earth will be gone.

5. The RAPTURE IS A \_\_\_\_\_

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

Vs 16 And those who have departed this life in Christ will rise first

“Rise up” – G450 *anistemi* (verb) to cause to rise up, raise up, to raise up from lying down, raise up from the dead, raise up, to cause to appear, bring forward. This is a literal meaning...the dead in Christ will rise first.

Vs 17 Then we, the living ones who remain [on the earth], shall simultaneously be caught up along with [the resurrected dead] in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air;

“Living” – G2198 *zao* – to live, breath, be among the living, having vital power. This is the root word of Zoe, which is the “God-kind” of life.

The \_\_\_\_\_ which has been birthed in you.

Paul is not speaking of just “the living.” He is specifically referring to those who are born again after the nature and life of God.

“Caught up” – G726 *harpazo* (verb) to seize, carry off by force, claim for one’s self eagerly, to snatch out or away.

“Clouds” – G3507 *nephele* means a cloud, used of the cloud that led Israel in the wilderness. It is from the root word G3509 *nephos* which means a cloud, a dense multitude, or throng of people.

It is the word used in Hebrews 12:1 referring to the great \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ we are encompassed by.

“Meet” – G529 *apantesis* (feminine noun) to meet one, \_\_\_\_\_.

The TPT footnote of this verb says:

The Greek word *apantesis* is not a verb (to go meet) but a feminine noun (to meet or have an encounter), and in this context it is the bride of Christ rising to be with Jesus to have an encounter or “bridal meeting.” This rarely used Greek word is also used in the parable of the ten virgins, referring to the virgins rising up to meet (have a meeting) with the bridegroom in Matthew 25:1,6.

6. The RAPTURE WILL \_\_\_\_\_

1 Thessalonians 5:2 TPT

For you already know quite well that the day of the Lord will come unexpectedly and as a complete surprise.

The KJV says “as a thief in the night.” Unexpectedly...

7. The RAPTURE \_\_\_\_\_

1 Thessalonians 4:18; 1 Thessalonians 5:10-11;

1 Thessalonians 5:14 KJV

Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, and be patient toward all men.

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Warn is to admonish, exhort, to caution and reprove. One lexicon says it is equivalent to

“ \_\_\_\_\_ ”

Caution and put Christ, His coming, and the right way of living in the mind of the “unruly.”

“Unruly” – G813 *ataktos*: disorderly, \_\_\_\_\_ (so of soldiers).

Deviating from the prescribed order or rule. \_\_\_\_\_. Insubordinate.

Do you hear those military terms? It is because this Greek word is often used for troops that are not in

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➤ \_\_\_\_\_

“Comfort” – G3888 *paramytheomai*: to \_\_\_\_\_

and speak to, by way of admonition and incentive, or to calm and console, to \_\_\_\_\_

“Feebleminded” – G3642 *oligopsychos*: the fainthearted, \_\_\_\_\_.

When you define it by the root words it literally means

“ \_\_\_\_\_ ”

➤ \_\_\_\_\_

“Support”- G472 *antecho*: to hold before or against, hold back, withstand, endure. To keep one’s self directly opposite to any one, hold to him firmly, cleave to, paying heed to him

“Weak” – G772 *asthenes*: weak, infirm, feeble, strengthless, impotent, sick

Paul is telling us to literally cleave ourselves to those who are sick, physically hurting and losing strength.

The body of Christ is to stand with those who are weak in the \_\_\_\_\_, weak in the

\_\_\_\_\_, and weak in the \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Thessalonians 5:14-15

**8. The RAPTURE REVELATION PRODUCES THESE QUALITIES:**

a. \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Thessalonians 1:3 ...how your love motivates you to serve others,**

**1 Thessalonians 3:12-13**

**And may the Lord increase your love until it overflows toward one another and for all people, just as our love overflows toward you. 13 Then your hearts will be strengthened in holiness so that you may be flawless and pure before the face of our God and Father at the appearing of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen!**

Love overflowing in our hearts for Jesus will cause us to minister to others out of that love, but also, it will be the source within us to live a life separated from the things of this world. We will be holy, flawless, and pure before the Lord!

b. \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Thessalonians 1:9 ...how wonderfully you turned to God from idols to serve the true and living God**

It states in verse 6 that they received the Word with the joy of the Holy Spirit, even though it resulted in trials and persecutions.

When truly live a converted life, we will face trials, we shouldn't be surprised about that. But we are called to keep turning away from anything that would remove Jesus from the center of heart.

c. \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Thessalonians 2:13 ...because you received our message wholeheartedly. You embraced it not as the fabrication of men but as the word of God. And the word continues to be an energizing force in you who believe.**

The way we receive the Word of God matters. We should have "good soil" hearts that receive the Word with gladness. And then when it is received, our lives are energized by the power of the Sword of the Spirit. The Word Works in us!!

d. \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Thessalonians 4:1, 3, 7**

**1 ... since you have been mentored by us with respect to living for God and pleasing him, I appeal to you in the name of the Lord Jesus with this request: keep faithfully growing through our teachings even more and more.**

**3 God's will is for you to be set apart for him in holiness and that you keep yourselves unpolluted from sexual defilement**

**7 For God's call on our lives is not to a life of compromise and perversion but to a life surrounded in holiness**

**1 Thessalonians 5:22**

**Avoid every appearance of evil**

We aren't to live lives of compromise because we know Jesus is returning one day. It should actually cause us to live holier and holier as we pursue Him.

e. \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Thessalonians 5:6-8**

**This is why we must not fall asleep, as the rest do, but keep wide awake and clearheaded. 7 For those who are asleep sleep the night away, and drunkards get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, we must stay alert and clearheaded by placing the breastplate of faith and love over our hearts, and a helmet of the hope of salvation over our thoughts.**

The Aramaic can be translated "be clearheaded in our vision as we are deployed on the battlefield for faithfulness and love and set apart with the shield of the hope of everlasting lie."

f. \_\_\_\_\_!

**1 Thessalonians 5:17**

**Make your life a prayer**

**1 Thessalonians 5:19**

**Never restrain or put out the fire of the Holy Spirit.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:23-24**

**Now, may the God of peace and harmony set you apart, making you completely holy. And may your entire being—spirit, soul, and body—be kept completely flawless in the appearing of our Lord Jesus, the Anointed One. 24 The one who calls you by name is trustworthy and will thoroughly complete his work in you.**