



The Rapture

First Question: What

What is the Rapture?

John 14:1-3

What is the Event?

1 Thessalonians. 4:13-18



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Idea of a Rapture

Greek word Harpazo meaning “snatched up”
Latin word Rapio meaning “caught up”

Enoch - Genesis 5:21-24; Hebrews 11:5

Elijah – 2 Kings 2:1-11

Jesus – Acts 1:9-11



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Significance of the Trumpets

1. To Proclaim a Victory – 2 Samuel 6:12-15
2. To Call an Assembly – Leviticus 23:23-25
3. To Announce a Warning – Numbers 10:2-7

Two-Fold Purpose of Trumpet at Rapture

- A. To Assemble the People of God – Exodus 19:16-19
- B. To Signal His Deliverance of Them – Zechariah 9:14-16



Second Question: Who?

- **Luke 17:34** “On that night two people will be in one bed; one will be taken and the other left behind. Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left behind. Two will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left behind.”

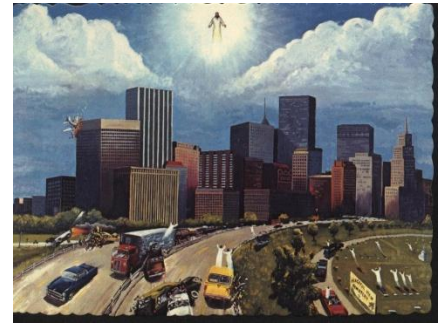
Only those who have Jesus in their hearts will go up in the Rapture!



Third Question: When?

Two Extremes - Bad

- Rapturemania – Date Setters
- Rapture-itis - Paralysis



Fourth Question: Why?

- A Reception – **John 14:1-3**
- A Rescue – **1 Thessalonians:1:10; 2 Peter 3:9; 1 Thessalonians 5:9**
- A Reunion – **With our loved ones!**



3 Takeaways...

- **“I” Factor** – We need to make sure that we are ready for that day!
- **“We” Factor** – We need to encourage one another with the words about the Rapture! Our Kingdom is not of this world!
- **“They” Factor** – We need to live in the Light of this message!
Reach the world for Christ!

