The Rapture - Myth and Reality

According to some pre-trib rapture teachers, the long-awaited rapture will occur in just a few weeks. Well-known Calvary Chapel pastor, JD Farag, has stated that **on September 25 [2023] he will not be 'available**'. On the 25th, however, he will join his deceased predecessor - Calvary Chapel founder, Chuck Smith, in making a false prediction of the rapture. Of course, Farag and others like him, cannot prove from scripture any such date. It is impossible for the rapture to occur on that date, in light of the following scriptures.

The saints are rescued from the wrath to come (1 Thess. 1:10), but that wrath doesn't arrive until Seal 6 (Rev. 6:16,17), which is also shown to be Trumpet 7 (Rev. 11:18) - the "last trumpet," as mentioned in 1 Cor. 15:51,52.

Immediately preceding the arrival of God's wrath is a major cosmic change in the way we view the sun, moon and stars (Rev. 6:12,13), which Jesus also spoke of, and at the same time, cited the TIMING of the rapture in relationship to the tribulation:

But in those days, following that distress [or TRIBULATION - KJV], the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken. AT THAT TIME men will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and GATHER his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens. (Mark 13:24-27)

That event is not Jesus' return 'with' the saints to the Mt. of Olives (Rev. 19), but instead it is the "gathering" of the saints (or the elect) from earth to heaven - his glorious coming 'for' the saints, the rapture (1 Thess. 4:16,17; 1 Cor. 15:51,52; 2 Thess. 2:1-3). Again, the rapture timing is clearly stated in Mk. 13:24-27 as occurring POST tribulation, which means THE RAPTURE WILL HAPPEN BETWEEN REV. 6:12,13 AND REV. 6:16,17 (at the 6th seal). That also means there absolutely can NOT be any rapture beforehand to spare us from the first 5 seals. This is our test.

It is also very important to know the Great Tribulation is the fury or wrath of the devil (Rev. 12:12), and not God's wrath. No scripture states the tribulation is the wrath of God. Christians will go through the entire tribulation. The pre-trib rapture teachers have confused and twisted these details in order to promote their teaching.

Furthermore, **nothing in the Bible states that the tribulation period will last 7 years** as many popular, pre-trib rapture best-selling books and movies claim; the only 7 years we see is in Daniel, and that 7 year period was referring to the length of a treaty for animal sacrifices.

Problematically, people assume that such an event - such a treaty - would surely be covered by the news. **Know that the** "news" is not really the news. Deceit is prospering (Dan. 8:25).

Besides the many past pre-trib rapture false predictions being a false hope, thereby bringing more discouragement to the saints, the greatest danger is its denial that the saints will still be here to see the arrival of the "mark of the beast" (Rev. 13:16,17). That fact means the proponents of such will not be looking for the mark of the beast and, consequently, will be wide-open to receive it in a subtle form in order to continue to buy or sell.

Note: the coming microneedle patch vaccine will place an invisible-to-the-naked eye, but scannable quantum dot tattoo on the hand, at the same time as the vaccine! Now, how do biometrics—scanning of iris, face and palm for ID and internet, banking and services access, tie in to the mark? Such is uncertain, but is awfully close for comfort, and we can see that digital ID, central bank digital currency (CBDC) and vaccines are merging together. What other technology do they have that we don't know about?

Moreover, very few seem to know that in March 2020 animal sacrifices in Jerusalem stopped and when that unpublicized event occurred, Bill Gates' authority was revealed to the whole world when he pontificated that 7 billion will have to be vaccinated to go back to normal. Such past events reveal how close the mark of the beast actually is and the extreme danger in eternal tormenting fire for all who receive it, even the saints (Rev. 14:9-12). (BTW, the "red heifer" news is a distraction and the RFID chip is old technology.)

In Jesus' teaching of the 10 virgins (Mt. 25:1-13), 5 are foolish because they didn't bring extra oil for their burning lamps. Perhaps, they didn't think they would need it. There, Jesus taught his arrival will be late and at the midnight hour (the darkest time of the night). Could it be that the Lord gave that teaching about the foolish virgins, in part, because of what will happen to the pre-trib rapture proponents, who will not be ready for what is coming and, as a consequence, not continue (and fall away)? Certainly, multiple millions are endangered by the pre-trib rapture myth, but at least you (the readers) have been warned. Will you, in turn, warn others?