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**SUMMARY:**

**INTERPRETATION TECHNIQUES NEEDED TO  
HELP GAIN THE ACCURATE UNDERSTANDING  
OF ENDTIMES BIBLE PROPHECY  
(Interpretation Techniques That Help Avoid Error)**

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## INTRODUCTION

This newsletter presents the understanding that if we interpret Bible prophecy in terms of our walk with God, our relationship to Christ, and the spiritual kingdom of God under Grace replaced the physical kingdom of Israel under Law, it avoids making serious interpretation mistakes re endtimes Bible prophecy. The results, using this methodology, show clearly without ambiguity that the Rapture comes at Christ's Second Coming after the endtimes Tribulation and there definitely is an endtimes Tribulation.●<sup>1</sup> This is being outcome relationship, more than sequentially, oriented.

This newsletter encourages you to read next my more detailed summary report●<sup>2</sup> It presents over 30 doctrines that conclusively teach a Post-Tribulation Rapture. There definitely is a Tribulation.

This newsletter presents a few examples of interpreting prophecy using relationships with God and Christ. They show clearly the Rapture is Post-Tribulation. Thus, this requires us to review our other Bible interpretations if we have with other prophecy views.●<sup>3</sup> This result will be greatly reinforced if you read the referenced summary report.

The following discussions show relationship techniques or approaches that help us to avoid interpretation errors and help us to reach the accurate interpretation without ambiguity of endtimes Bible Prophecy. They are presented without particular order. These are ones that come from the understanding for how all Bible history goes together for taking believers, both Jews and Gentiles,

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1. **WHAT MATTERS:** We are here on earth so that, in our lifetime, we can reach a maximum maturity in Christ-likeness. What matters is, that, we have unity and are carrying out God's plan for our lives which means how we train and minister now before the Tribulation comes and use the endtimes, to the degree we can, for additional training and ministry under difficult times. Knowing endtimes prophecy accurately and the signs of the soon-coming Tribulation should give us an alert to determine (analyze) how well we are actually maturing our people toward the maximum before the Tribulation comes. But the coming of the endtimes is also a signal of (and to) the church falling away so that we will work with urgency to come to greater obedience, become maximumly mature, and evangelize the children in the community. We do not want our families and church people to be caught blind sided by the sudden coming Calamity and Tribulation. One problem we have is many of our church people believe wrongly we will be raptured just before the Calamity comes. This is a most terrible mistake if we are not maturing our people sufficiently and not evangelizing the children in the community.

2. **READ THIS REPORT:** For a more detailed summary, read: *Key Summary Report - How the Endtimes Unfold: Pathway to Understand Why The Rapture Comes after the Tribulation At Christ's Second Coming* on my website under ENDTIMES PROPHECY or WHAT'S NEW. (17 pages)

3. **MANY VIEWS:** We now have over six different Bible prophecy views for the sequencing of the Rapture, the Second Coming, the Tribulation, whether there is a Tribulation, Daniel's seventieth week etc.

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to become mature in Christ-likeness for the need in eternity - not where we live on earth.●<sup>4</sup>

**EXAMPLE NEEDED RELATIONSHIP INTERPRETATION METHODS AND TECHNIQUES**

(These are presented as individual items, taken from the summary report.)

1. At Christ's Ascension after the Cross and His Resurrection, He received all power in heaven and in earth. He now sits on David's throne over the relationship kingdom of God from heaven. As a result with this authority, He transferred all believers, both Jews and Gentiles, into the Kingdom of God from the Dominion of Satan (See Acts 26:18 together with Colossians 1:13-14). As such, they afterwards became the Church and single Body of Christ. As all people come to believe the Gospel after the Ascension, they are immediately translated into the relationship Kingdom of God to become part of the Church. This is why the Bible exhorts that we (both Jews and Gentiles) seek first the Kingdom of God - needed to believe in Christ as Savior and to live under His authority. **The Kingdom of God is here now, but ruled by Christ from heaven.**(The future kingdom promised to Israel was not postponed to any millennium. It changed characteristics from the Kingdom of Israel in the physical to the Kingdom of God in the spiritual (relationships)).
2. The Cross broke down the barrier of the dividing wall between the Jew and the Gentile. The Jew and Gentile believers are now one in Christ without ethnic division. Only Christ can have preeminence. Both Jew and Gentile believers are the Church and single body of Christ. (He does not have two bodies such as Israel and the Church.)
3. The Cross set aside animal sacrifices and physical temples forever. The Church is now to be a spiritual sacrifice and is the temple and sanctuary of God. To bring back animal sacrifices and physical temples for any purpose would deny the efficaciousness of the Cross. This is major sin. Satan may use them to deceive the Church and others to support Israel for his endtimes plans.
4. Christ is now married to the Church, consisting of both Jews and Gentiles, in the oriental marriage concept. Christ is now legally betrothed to the Church requiring a divorce to change. But the Church does not now live with Him. The Church goes to live with Christ at His Second Coming at the marriage of the Lamb. This action is the Rapture of the Church. It occurs after the endtimes Great Tribulation.
5. Christ is now marrying the Church. By His own laws, He cannot have two wives at the same time. In Jeremiah 3:8, the Bible teaches declaratively that God divorced the northern Kingdom of Israel. God divorced the Southern Kingdom of Judah at the Cross (implied) when the Jews said let Christ's blood be on us and on our children. In this commitment, they were denying Christ forever as their Messiah. God is now forever through with Israel as a special or covenant nation. As believers, they can become part of the Church and become mature in Christ - become married to Christ. This is all there is.
6. The Bible calls the Church, saints in the New Testament excluding most of Revelation. In

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**4. INTERPRETATION TECHNIQUES:** The techniques presented are in addition to (not in place of) the basic essential ones of studying things in context, checking the original languages, and checking other Scriptures for general harmonizations and meaning, that also should be done.

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Revelation, beginning with the time of the seals and following, the word Church is not used, but the word saint is. Thus, the Church is in the Tribulation.

7. The Bible teaches that unless God leaves a few survivors, the days would become like Sodom and Gomorrah with same sex marriages and relationships. This teaching precludes a Pre-Tribulation Rapture. With this condition on earth, after a Pre-Tribulation Rapture, no one could be saved because of the people's condition and because there would be no one left to preach the Gospel. However, the Bible teaches there will be a very large number of believers from all nations in the Tribulation, the Great one, (as the Greek has it) most of those who very likely believe before the Tribulation begins. Because the Tribulation is all nations in characteristic, it does not qualify to be the exclusively all-Jewish seventieth week of Daniel 9. Thus, the all-nations church will not be raptured before the all-nations Tribulation.
8. The wheat (the Church) cannot be separated from the tares (unbelievers) until "after" all the tares are bundled for the fire. The tares are formally bundled in the last Great Tribulation when they formally reject the Gospel by taking the Mark of the Beast. Christ casts the persons of the Beast and False Prophet into the Lake of Fire at His Second Coming. This teaches there definitely is an endtimes Tribulation. Christ sits at the right hand of God the Father without coming to rapture the Church until after all His enemies become His footstool – they formally deny the Gospel which occurs in the Great Tribulation. These doctrines teach directly the Rapture occurs after the endtimes Tribulation, and that there is an endtimes Tribulation.
9. There is only one Coming, Appearing, and Revelation of Christ that occurs after the Tribulation. Each of these terms are used with the Greek article indicating only one. Thus, there cannot be another Second Coming to rapture the Church before the Tribulation.
10. Christ raptures the Church and brings the final judgments after He is given the legal authority by the heavenly court after it determines and declares that He has won the spiritual warfare over Satan. This determination is made after the Tribulation at the time of the seventh trumpet. The determination is based on the fact that all the elect did actually believe the Gospel, and the elect did actually accomplish all of God's chosen works. Satan could not prevent their happening. This determination is made after all the people who are to live, have lived, and have made formal and binding decisions to accept or deny the Gospel. No one is born or saved after the Rapture.
11. Christ comes to rapture the Church at the last trumpet. The last trumpet sounds after the seventh trumpet which occurs as the Tribulation is ending. After the seventh trumpet sounds, the heavenly court awards Christ the authority to rapture the Church and bring the final end time judgments. The alternative is that the last trumpet is the seventh trumpet and covers the total final endtimes period. In either case, the Rapture is Post-Tribulational.
12. Revelation 3:10 in the Greek can mean that believers go through the hour of trial, but are kept from its effects (are preserved from harm or its effects by God - believers they have eternal security in Christ). The Greek word or preposition *ek* used in this passage is used elsewhere in John 17:15 with this meaning (even though not an exact match). *John 17:15 - "I do not ask Thee to take them out of [ek] the world, but to keep them from the evil one.*

**CONCLUSION:** There definitely is an endtimes Tribulation. The Church is raptured after it at Christ's Second Coming. All other doctrines must be studied for agreement.