

Scripture of the Quarter

^{V3} "Knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ^{V4} and saying "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell <u>asleep</u>, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."

Where the word <u>asleep</u> is used in verse 4, we must remember the New Testament, was written in Greek. The word asleep in Greek is koimao which means to decease, be dead.

I believe we must address the "Doomsday prophet" and his failed second prediction of a date when the rapture would happen and the "end of the world." Men may truly mean well but let us go by the word of God. Now this false prophet is trying for a new date. You say no wonder people are "scoffers" in the last days. We must study God's word for ourselves so that we will not be deceived.

Matthew 25:13 NKJV Jesus said "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

Mark 13:32 NKJV "But of that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but only the Father."

In **Matthew 16:2-4** Jesus is speaking to the Pharisees and the Sadducees ^{v2}He answered and said to them, "When it is evening you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red'; ^{v3} and in the morning, 'It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and threatening' Hypocrites! You know how to discern the face of the sky, <u>but you cannot discern the signs of the times</u>."

So we may not have the knowledge of the day or the hour but Jesus expected the people to be able to discern the signs of the times or the season in which we are living.

Second, the "end of the world" is actually "<u>the end of the age</u>."

Matthew 24:3 NKJV Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying "Tell us, when will theses things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and the end of the age?" We must 2nd Peter 3:3-4 NKJV

study ourselves that we will not be misled. We trust others to teach us but it is our responsibility to study and be ready for the Lord's return at any moment. Remember whether the Lord returns today or if he waits, we are not promised tomorrow and must be ready to meet our Lord if we die today! Today, is the day to repent of your sins and turn from your wicked ways and ask Jesus to come into your heart and accept His sacrifice for your sins. For there is no chance for redemption if you die in your sins without the Lord Jesus as your Savior.

Jesus said to him, "I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father <u>except</u> <u>through Me</u>." John 14:6 NKJV

What Will I have to Endure if I miss the Rapture

You will have three choices. Face <u>death</u>, take the Mark of the Beast, or somehow Survive without taking the "Mark" for 7 years until the return of Jesus Christ to the earth. I do not believe there is anyone who would want to choose between any of these. John states, in Revelation 4:1, After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like that of a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." This passage refers to the Rapture of the church. The period which begins after the Rapture of the church is called the tribulation. Notice what Jesus says, in Matthew 24:21 "For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be." When you read this passage of scripture; Jesus, is giving a warning of things which will occur after the Rapture of the church. Notice He says, there never has been a time such as this, nor will

there ever be again! Now let's look at what has happened in history, WWI and WWII where the Holocaust occurred in which six million Jews were slaughtered by decree of Adolph Hitler. Then, we have had ethnic cleansings, civil wars, and mutilations in many other wars since then. All of which were horrific, to say the least. We have seen famines, earthquakes, and pestilences (diseases). Think about the news that we have seen in the last year. But Jesus is telling us, none of these <u>will compare</u> to what is going to happen.

Now, I know there are people who are going to read this newsletter and say, I don't believe any of this. Well, let me remind you of what the Apostle Paul, wrote in **Hebrews 3:12** "Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God." The Apostle, Paul is <u>warning all</u> <u>Christians not to fall into unbelief</u>.

We will highlight just part of the judgments that you will have to face if you miss the Rapture? The Tribulation will last for a period of seven years. The first three and a half years is referred to as the Tribulation, and the second half is referred to as the Great Tribulation period as the judgments increase in severity. There will be <u>twenty-one</u> judgments given by God upon all inhabitants that remain on the earth after the Rapture occurs. The Seven Seals - **Revelation 6:1-8:5**, Seven Trumpets - **Revelation 8:7-11:19**, and Seven Bowl Judgments **Revelation 15:1-16:21**.

It begins with the <u>Seven Seals</u> also known as the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse: The 2nd seal in **Rev. 6:4**, And another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to <u>take peace</u> from the earth, and that <u>people should kill one another</u>; and there was given to him a great sword. The 4th seal in **Rev. 6:8**, And I looked, and behold, a <u>pale</u> horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them <u>over a fourth</u> of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth. The Seven Seals - **Revelation 6:1-8:51**. White horse – Antichrist, 2. Red horse – War, 3. Black horse – Famine, 4. Pale horse – Death, 5. Souls under the alter – martyrs, 6. Disasters / Stars fall to earth – Fear 7. Fire thrown - Earthquake.

Then the Seven Trumpets: I will cover just a few of the judgments. 1st Trumpet Rev. 8:7, The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth; and a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up. 2nd Trumpet **Rev. 8:8-9**, Then the second angel sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood; and a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed. Can you imagine the stench from the dead sea creatures? We all have experienced the smell of dead fish. We just experienced what happens when an oil rig gets damaged.

6th Trumpet these are the angels from the Euphrates River that had been bound. **Rev.** 9:15, So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind.

The Seven Trumpets – **Revelations 8:7-11:19**: 1. Hail, fire, blood – 1/3 of earth's vegetation destroyed, 2. Burning mountain – 1/3 of sea to blood, 3. Star falls to earth – 1/3 of rivers contaminated, 4. Sun, moon, & stars – darkness 5. plague of stinging locust, 6. Four angels released – killing 1/3 population, 7. Lightning's, thunder, earthquake and great hail.

The current world population is approximately 6.5 Billion People. So this means approximately 2.3 Billion people will die. Think about that! If you know someone who is not right with God, I suggest you share the Love of Jesus by witnessing to them and telling them what is about to happen. Tell them now is the time to repent and ask Jesus to come into their heart and change their lives. If you know any prodigal sons or daughters encourage them to come back to Jesus. Some people say the Bible is a book of predictions. I would like to correct their incorrect view, the Bible is a book of PROPHESY which means when God says, something is going to happen it most assuredly will. Again, some people will choose not to believe God's Word and that is their choice.

Prior to the seven Bowl judgments in **Rev. 13:7** And it was granted to him (the Antichrist) to make war with the saints (the remnant Israel) and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation." ^{V16} and he (the false prophet) causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a MARK on their right hand or foreheads.^{V17} and that <u>no one may buy</u> or sell except one who has the MARK or the Name of the Beast, or the number of his name. ^{V18} Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.

This brings up a very interesting point. <u>If you</u> miss the Rapture you will have to make a choice as to whether you <u>take the mark or</u> refuse. If you refuse the Mark and stand up for Jesus you will be beheaded. **Revelation 20:4 b**) And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the Word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands.

Now what are you going to do if you have children who need medicine? You won't be able to buy medicine unless you take the mark. What are you going to do when they knock on your door and tell you they are shutting off your water and electricity unless you have the mark of the beast? You will not be able to access your accounts or be able to purchase any food or water. What will you do when your children are crying from hunger and sickness? God, is warning, you Mom and Dad and yes it is your choice but what about your children. Yes, there will be children in the tribulation read what Jesus said in Matthew 24:19 But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!

Now what is the penalty if you take the mark of the beast? **Revelation 14:9-11** Then a third angel followed them, saying, with a loud voice, "if anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or his hand, v10 he himself shall also drink of the wine of the **WRATH OF GOD**, which is poured out <u>full strength</u> into the cup of His indignation. And he shall be <u>tormented with fire</u> and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb." v11 "And the smoke of their torment ascends <u>forever and ever</u>; and they have <u>no rest day or</u> <u>night</u>, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

I hope after reading, the above verses you will do what God's Word says in Deuteronomy 10:12 "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the Lord your God with <u>all your</u> <u>heart and with all your soul</u>." Even though this scripture is from the Old Testament it definitely applies to <u>all</u> Christians today. In the book of Revelation it does say <u>some</u> will survive the Tribulation. The only way you will survive is if you have a hidden place that no one can find where it is and to have enough food and water to last seven years. You thought the LA riots and hurricane Katrina were bad just wait and see what people will do when they are starving.

In the March newsletter I proved to you by the Parables of Jesus in Matthew 24 and Matthew 25 that not everyone will be Raptured. Right now, you have a choice to be one that is Raptured. If you watch television and listen to the news and <u>read your Bible</u> and can discern signs, and understand <u>Bible Prophesy</u> you know Jesus will return soon for His Bride (Church).

This is what you will have to endure during the last 3½ years referred to as the Great Tribulation. **Revelation 11:18** paraphrase wrath of men, **Revelation 12:12** paraphrase Satan and 1/3 of his angels will be roaming the earth along with the Antichrist, and **Revela**tion 14:10 paraphrase the Wrath of God. **Revelation 6:16** And said to the mountains and rocks, fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the Wrath of the Lamb! **Revelation 9:6** "In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them."

If you won't serve the Lord now with Christian radio and television to watch and listen to, a church to attend, fellow Christians to fellowship with and encourage you, the Bible to read to comfort you and renew your mind daily. Remember the Holy Spirit is restraining the evil one (Antichrist). Peace is removed from the earth. Now with all that is listed from God's Holy Word, **DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU WILL SURVIVE THE TRIBULATION?** If you have any questions regarding the newsletter please call 214-766-8019.

In Septembers newsletter Warrior of God Ministries will cover the prophetic signs which <u>PROVE</u> we are the Generation which will see the coming of Jesus found in 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18.

I would like to thank you for the positive feedback I received on the newsletter that was written last quarter regarding the Rapture, a one time event reserved for "Faithful Overcomers." The newsletters written by Warrior of God Ministries, are not based on our opinions, but are based on the Word of God, His Holy Bible.