

**Paul, the Prophets and the Day of the Lord.**

We Cover:

1 Thess 4,5 ; 2 Thess 2 ; 1 Cor 15, 1 & 2 Peter and others.

- What did Paul say about Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming, the rapture, the timing of Jesus' coming, the 'thief in the night', the day of the Lord, the wrath of God?
- What do the Old Testament prophets say about the day of the Lord, the time of Jacob's trouble, the wrath of God?

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<p><b>THE COMING OF THE LORD</b></p> <p>The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, with the trump of God (1 Thess 4:15)</p> <p>The dead in Christ shall rise first (1 Thess 4:16) Then we which are alive and remain (1 Thess 4:17)</p> <p>shall be caught up together with them <b>in the CLOUDS</b> <b>to meet the Lord in the air</b> (1 Thess 4:17)</p> <p>-&gt; <b>The Rapture</b></p> <p>so shall we ever be with the Lord (1 Thess 4:17)</p>	<p><b>1 Thess 4:13 – 17</b></p> <p><sup>13</sup> But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.</p> <p><sup>14</sup> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.</p> <p><sup>15</sup> For this we say unto you <u>by the word of the Lord</u>, that we which are alive and remain unto <b>the coming of the Lord</b> shall not prevent them which are asleep.</p> <p><b>the Lord himself shall descend from heaven</b> with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God:</p> <p>and the dead in Christ shall rise first</p> <p><sup>17</sup> Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord.</p>

What did Paul say about Jesus' 2 <sup>nd</sup> coming?	
<p><b>The day of the Lord</b> (1 Thess 5:2)</p> <p>=&gt; <b>The coming of the Lord</b> (1 Thess 4:15-16)</p> <p><b>The unsaved (Unbelievers):</b> (1 Thess 5:2-3)</p> <p><b>THEY</b> → The day comes as a thief in the night They shall say 'Peace and safety' Then sudden destruction comes upon them They shall not escape</p> <p><b>The Saved (Believers):</b> (1 Thess 5:4-5)</p> <p><b>YOU</b> → But you, brethren are <b>NOT</b> in darkness That that day should overtake you as a thief! You are all children of the light &amp; of the day.</p>	<p><b>1 Thess 4:13 – 17</b></p> <p><sup>15</sup> ..... that we which are alive and remain unto <b>the coming of the Lord</b> shall not prevent them which are asleep. <sup>16</sup> <b>For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God:</b></p> <p>and the dead in Christ shall rise first:</p> <p><sup>17</sup> Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.</p> <p><b>1 Thess 5:1-5</b></p> <p><sup>1</sup> But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> For yourselves know perfectly that <b>the day of the Lord</b> so cometh as a thief in the night.</p> <p><sup>3</sup> For when <b>they</b> shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them as travail upon a woman with child; and <b>they shall not escape</b></p> <p>But <b>ye</b>, brethren, are <b>NOT</b> in darkness, that that day should overtake you as thief</p> <p><sup>5</sup> Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.</p>

The New Testament writings confirm that both Jesus and Paul teach that believers will not be taken by surprise by the rapture, only unbelievers.

## What did Paul say about Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> coming?

But ye, brethren, are **NOT** in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. (1 Thess 5:4)

**Q. For whom will the day of the Lord come as a thief of the night?**

"They & them" (1 Thess 5:3).

Therefore those in darkness. The unbelievers. The unsaved.

## For whom will the day of the Lord come as a thief of the night?

**Matt 24:43** <sup>43</sup> But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

**Luke 12:39** <sup>39</sup> And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

**2 Pet 3:10-12** <sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. <sup>11</sup> Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, <sup>12</sup> Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

**Rev 3:3** "..... If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." (letter to Sardis)

**Rev 16:15** <sup>15</sup> Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Compare Jesus' words with Paul's wording: Try drawing lines between similar events:

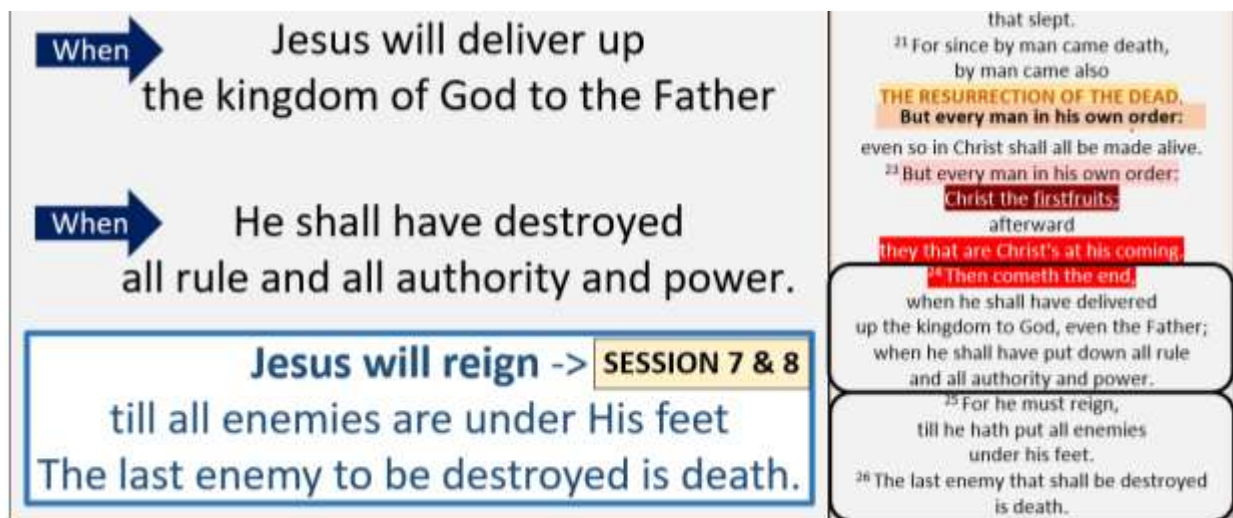
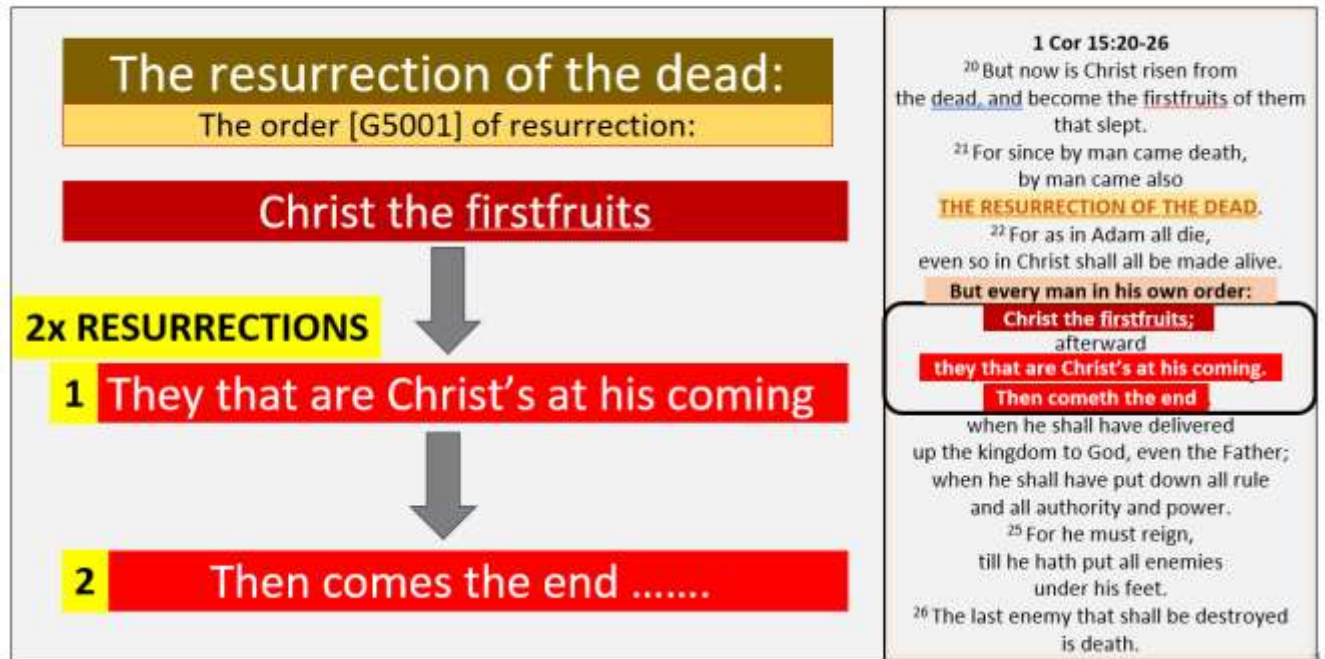
JESUS COMING IN THE CLOUDS: Similarities between Jesus' and Paul's words:		
<p><b>Matt 24:29-31</b></p> <p>29 <u>Immediately after the tribulation of those days</u> shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the <u>Son of man coming in the clouds</u> of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall send <u>his angels</u> with a <u>great sound of a trumpet</u>, and <u>they shall gather together his elect</u> from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.</p>	<p><b>The Son of man coming</b></p> <p><b>The coming of the Lord</b></p> <p><b>In the clouds</b></p> <p><b>Sound of a trumpet</b></p> <p><b>Trump of God</b></p> <p><b>Angels</b></p> <p><b>With a shout</b></p> <p><b>Voice of the archangel</b></p> <p><b>Gather together His elect</b></p> <p><b>Caught up together</b></p>	<p><b>1 Thess 4:15 – 17</b></p> <p><sup>15</sup> For this we say unto you <u>by the word of the Lord</u>, that we which are alive and remain unto the <u>coming of the Lord</u> shall not prevent them which are asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven <u>with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God:</u> and the dead in Christ shall rise first: <sup>17</sup> Then we which are alive and remain <u>shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord</u> in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.</p>
<b>Jesus</b>	<b>SAME EVENT</b>	<b>Paul</b>



The New Testament writings confirm that both Jesus and Paul teach:

**A PRE-WRATH RAPTURE** after the tribulation– 1<sup>st</sup> the tribulation (caused by man), then the wrath of God.

What did Paul say about the bodily resurrection of believers at Jesus 2<sup>nd</sup> coming?



The last Trump? Checking the O.T. there was a Trumpet of **ALARM** and trumpet of **GATHERING**, e.g.:

Look at Old Testament scriptures -> when the trumpet was blown?

Joel 2:1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain:  
let all the inhabitants of the land tremble:  
for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;  
**DAY OF THE LORD COMES**

Num 10:4 <sup>4</sup> And if they blow but with one trumpet, then the princes, which are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.

Joel 2:15 <sup>15</sup> Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:  
**GATHERING**

What does 'at the last trump' mean in this context?

The 7 TRUMPETS (Rev 8 – 11)  
-> the WRATH OF GOD

SESSION 4

The saved are NOT appointed to God's wrath (1 Thess 5:9)  
**The saved are raptured at Jesus' second coming** (Matt 24:31....)  
-> Therefore before the 7 Trumpets in Revelation are blown

'And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet,  
and they shall gather his elect.....' (Matt 24:31)

The 'last trumpet' is the LAST gathering trumpet. BUT...there are still trumpets of alarm/warnings to come.

<p><b>WARNING:</b> Let no man <b>deceive</b> you by any means:</p> <p><b>The coming of our Lord Jesus Christ our gathering together unto him &lt;- RAPTURE</b></p> <p><b>SHALL NOT COME</b></p> <p><b>except THERE COME A FALLING AWAY FIRST</b></p> <p><b>THE MAN OF SIN BE REVEALED, THE SON OF PERDITION</b></p> <p>Opposes and exalts himself above God He sits in the temple of God Showing himself that he is God</p>	<p><b>2 Thess 2:1-4</b></p> <p><sup>1</sup> Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,</p> <p><sup>2</sup> That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand,</p> <p><sup>3</sup> Let no man <b>deceive</b> you by any means: for that day shall <b>NOT</b> come, except there come a falling away first and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;</p> <p><sup>4</sup> Who <b>opposeth</b> and <b>exalteth</b> himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God <b>sitteth</b> in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.</p>
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Who is the 'MAN OF SIN'?

**'...that the man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition [G684] ;....' (2 Thess 2:3)**

**John 17:12** <sup>12</sup> While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those  
that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost,  
**but the son of perdition [G684];** that the scripture might be fulfilled.

**JUDIAS ISCARIOT WAS CALLED THE SON OF PERDITION**

**John 13:26-27** <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have  
dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of  
Simon. <sup>27</sup> And after the sop **Satan entered into him.** Then said Jesus unto him,  
That thou **doest**, do quickly.

**"SATAN ENTERED INTO JUDIAS ISCARIOT"**

Judas is the only other person called the son of perdition... is it because Satan entered him?



# '...that the man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;....' (2 Thess 2:3)

## THE ANTICHRIST

## SESSION 5 & 6

He is coming after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders. (2 Thess 2:9)

"that Wicked" shall be revealed. (2 Thess 2:8)

He will be revealed in his time. (2 Thess 2:6)

He opposes and exalts himself above God. He as God sits in the temple of God, showing himself to be God (2 Thess 2:4)

The Lord shall consume him with the spirit of his mouth and shall destroy him at his coming. (2 Thess 2:8)

The Antichrist (the beast) and the kings of the earth will make war with Jesus coming on the white horse at Armageddon.

The beast and the false prophet will be taken and cast into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. (Rev 19:11-21)

## 2 Thess 2:5-9

<sup>5</sup> Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

<sup>6</sup> And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

<sup>7</sup> For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

<sup>8</sup> And then shall that Wicked be revealed,

whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

<sup>9</sup> Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

## 1 John 2:18 <sup>18</sup>

Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come ....

## John 5:43

<sup>43</sup> I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

## BEAST - PERSON

## REV 13:1-8 BEAST OUT OF THE SEA

Dragon (Satan) gave him power, his seat & great authority. (v2)

One of his heads wounded to death (v3)

His deadly wound was healed (v3)

The dragon gave power to the beast (v4)

World worshipped the dragon & the beast (v4)

Mouth speaking great things and blasphemy (v5)

Power given to him to continue 42 months (v5)

Blasphemy against God, his name, his tabernacle & them in heaven (v6)

War against saints & overcome them (v7)

Power over all kindreds, tongues & nations (v7)

All worship him whose names NOT written in the book of life (v8)

Number of the beast = Number of a man (v18)

The number = 666 (v18)



## THE ANTICHRIST

## Information gathered from Daniel 8 & 11

## SESSION 5 & 6

### SUMMARY – DANIEL 11

(Foreshadowing of the Antichrist's character)

A vile person (v21)

Flatterer (v21)

Initially peaceably (v21)

Work deceitfully (v23)

Does his own thing (v36)

Different than previous governments

Dark arts, sorceries, occult forecasting

Evil dark magic

Disregard God of Israel (v36)

Pollute the sanctuary. (his image in holy place)

Abomination of desolation (v31)

Exalt himself above God

Disregard religion (v37)

Magnify himself above all (v37)

Follow Satan (v38)



### SUMMARY – DANIEL 8

(Foreshadowing of the Antichrist)

A little horn which grew exceeding great. (v9)

He magnified himself. (v11)

He took away the daily sacrifice and the sanctuary was cast down. (v11)

It cast down truth, it practised, and prospered. (v12)

LATTER TIME of their kingdom. (v23)

A king of fierce countenance. (v23)

Understanding dark sentences. (v23)

His power shall be mighty but not by his own power. (v24)

He shall destroy, prosper & practise. (v24)

He shall destroy the mighty & holy people. (v24)

His policy shall prosper by deception. (v25)

He shall magnify himself in his heart. (v25)

By peace he shall destroy many. (v25)

He shall stand up against the Prince of princes

but he shall be broken without hand. (v25)





**'...except there come a falling away [G646] first....' (2 Thess 2:3)**

**Falling away**  
-> 'defection of the truth'

**G646**  
ἀποστασία *apostasía*  
*ap-os-tas-ee'-ah*  
Feminine of the same  
as G647; *defection*  
from truth (properly  
the state),  
("apostasy"): - falling  
away, forsake.

**2 Thess 2:10-13**

<sup>10</sup> And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received

not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

<sup>11</sup> And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

<sup>12</sup> That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

<sup>13</sup> But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

**THOSE THAT PERISH**  
-> with all deceit and unrighteousness

They received not the love of truth,  
that they might be saved (v10)  
God shall send them strong delusion,  
that they should believe a lie. (v11)  
They all might be damned  
who believed not the truth,  
but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (v12)

**What did Paul say about the wrath of God?**

**THE SAVED:** 'For God hath **NOT** appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,' (1 Thess 5:9)

### The wrath of God:

All ungodliness and unrighteousness of men  
Who hold the truth in unrighteousness  
Stubborn, hard and unrepentant hearts  
Children of disobedience

(Rom 1:18, Rom 2:5, Eph 5:5-6, Col 3:5-6)

**SESSION 4 & 5**

**Jude 14-15** <sup>14</sup> ....., Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, <sup>15</sup> To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

## **The Day of the Lord**

### **Paul's teaching in:**

1 Thess 4:13 to 1 Thess 5:5

### **Old Testament references:**

Is 13:6-13

Joel 1:15, Joel 2:10, Joel 2:30-31

Zeph 1:14-18, Amos 5:18-20, 8:9-10

Ez 30:3, Zech 14:1-2, Ob 1:15, Mal 4:5-6



### DAY OF THE LORD 'markers':

#### COMING OF THE LORD

( Sun shall be darkened.  
Moon not give light. )  
BEFORE the day of the LORD!

Stars of heaven & constellations  
not give light. Withdraw their  
shining.

Earth remove out of its place.

Earth shall quake.

Heavens shall tremble.

Day of clouds and thick darkness.

Day of trumpet and alarm.

Men (unbelievers) will be afraid.

GATHERING OF THE ELECT -> RAPTURE

DAY OF THE LORD starts

Comes as a thief in the night.  
Sudden destruction comes upon THEM.  
As travail upon a woman with child.  
They shall not escape.  
Come as a destruction from the Almighty.  
Cruel both with wrath and fierce anger.  
The land desolate, shall destroy sinners out of it.  
Punish world for their evil.  
Punish wicked for iniquity.  
Arrogancy of the proud to cease.  
Lay low haughtiness.  
A destruction from the Almighty.  
Great and terrible day.  
Wonders in the heavens and earth, blood,  
fire and pillars of smoke.  
Great day. Day of wrath.  
Day of trouble.  
Day of wasteness and desolation.  
Day of darkness and gloominess.  
Distress upon men.  
Whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy.  
Riddance of all them that dwell in the land.  
The heavens and earth reserved for fire.  
The earth shall be burned up.

<- DAY OF THE LORD ->

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### THE DAY OF THE LORD

### Isaiah 13:6-13

Stars of heaven & constellations not give light (v10,13)  
Sun shall be darkened (v10)  
Moon not cause her light to shine (v10)  
Shake heavens and earth remove out of its place (v13)

"I will make a man more precious than fine gold" (v12)

Comes as a destruction from the Almighty (v6)  
Cruel both with wrath and fierce anger (v9,13)  
The land desolate, shall destroy sinners out of it.(v9)  
Punish world for their evil (v11)  
Punish wicked for their iniquity (v11)  
Arrogancy of the proud to cease (v11)  
Lay low the haughtiness of the terrible (v11)  
(THE WRATH OF THE LORD)

#### The UNBELIEVERS, UNSAVED

All hands be faint (v7)  
Every man's heart shall melt (v7)  
They shall be afraid (v8)  
Pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them (v8)  
Pain as a woman that travaileth (v8)

#### Isaiah 13:6-13

<sup>6</sup>Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty. <sup>7</sup>Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt: <sup>8</sup>And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames.

<sup>9</sup>Behold the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. <sup>10</sup>For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. <sup>11</sup>And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. <sup>12</sup>I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. <sup>13</sup>Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.

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Sun and moon shall be dark (Joel 2:10)  
The sun and moon shall  
be turned into darkness BEFORE  
the day of the LORD come!  
(Joel 2:31)

Stars shall withdraw their shining (Joel 2:10)  
Earth shall quake, the heavens shall tremble  
(Joel 2:10)

A destruction from the Almighty (Joel 1:15)  
Great and terrible day (Joel 2:11, 31)  
Wonders in the heavens and earth, blood, fire  
and pillars of smoke  
(Joel 2:30)  
(THE WRATH OF THE LORD)

#### Joel 1:15

<sup>15</sup>Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

#### Joel 2:10-11

<sup>10</sup>The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:  
<sup>11</sup>And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

#### Joel 2:30-31

<sup>30</sup>And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.  
<sup>31</sup>The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and terrible day of the LORD come



### Amos 5:18-20, 8:9-10

**Amos 5:18-20**

<sup>18</sup> Woe unto you that desire **the day of the LORD** !  
to what end is it for you?  
**the day of the LORD** is darkness, and not light.

<sup>19</sup> As if a man did flee from a lion,  
and a bear met him; or went into the house, and  
leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

<sup>20</sup> Shall not **the day of the LORD** be darkness,  
and not light? even very dark,  
and no brightness in it?

**Amos 8:9-10**

<sup>9</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the  
Lord GOD, that **I will cause the sun to go down at  
noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:**

<sup>10</sup> And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all  
your songs into lamentation; and I will bring up  
sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every  
head; and I will make it as the mourning of an only  
son, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

### Zephaniah 1:14-18

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<sup>14</sup> The great **day of the LORD** is near, it is near, and  
hasteth greatly, even the voice of  
**the day of the LORD** the mighty man shall cry there  
bitterly.

<sup>15</sup> That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and  
distress, a day of **wasteness** and desolation, a day of  
darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick  
darkness,

<sup>16</sup> **A day of the trumpet and alarm** against the fenced  
cities, and against the high towers.

<sup>17</sup> And I will bring **distress upon men**, that **they shall  
walk like blind men**, because they have sinned  
against the LORD: **and their blood shall be poured out  
as dust, and their flesh as the dung.**

<sup>18</sup> Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to  
deliver them in **the day of the LORD's** wrath; but the  
whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his  
jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance  
of all them that dwell in the land.

### Other OT verses:

**Ez 30:3** <sup>3</sup> For the day is near, even  
**the day of the LORD** is near, a cloudy day; it shall be  
the time of the heathen.

**Zech 14:1-2** Behold, **the day of the LORD** cometh,  
and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

<sup>2</sup> For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to  
battle; and the city shall be taken, .....

**Ob 1:15** <sup>15</sup> For **the day of the LORD** is near upon all  
the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done  
unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own  
head.

**Mal 4:5-6** <sup>5</sup> Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet  
before the coming of **the great and dreadful  
day of the LORD:** <sup>6</sup> And he shall turn the heart of the  
fathers to the children, and the heart of the children  
to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with  
a curse.

### 2 Peter 3:7-13

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<sup>7</sup> But **the heavens and the earth**, which are now, by the same  
word are kept in store, **reserved unto fire** against **the day of  
judgment and perdition of ungodly men.**

<sup>8</sup> But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day  
is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as  
one day.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men  
count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing  
that any should perish, but that all should come to  
repentance.

<sup>10</sup> But **the day of the Lord** will come as a thief in the night; in  
the which **the heavens shall pass away with a great noise,**  
and **the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth  
also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.**

<sup>11</sup> Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what  
manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and  
godliness,

<sup>12</sup> Looking for and hasting unto **the coming of the day of God**  
wherein the **heavens being on fire** shall be dissolved, and the  
**elements shall melt with fervent heat?**

<sup>13</sup> Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look **for new  
heavens and a new earth**, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Comparison between Jesus' teaching on the rapture and the Old testament prophets on the day of the Lord:

AFTER THE TRIBULATION OF THOSE DAYS		THE DAY OF THE LORD THE COMING OF THE LORD	
JESUS' words (Matt 24:29-32)	<b>JESUS 2<sup>nd</sup> COMING</b>	JESUS 2 <sup>nd</sup> COMING RAPTURE WRATH OF GOD	<b>Sun shall be darkened.</b>
	Sun shall be darkened		Moon not give light.
	Moon shall not give her light		Stars of heaven & constellations not give light, withdraw their shining
	Stars shall fall from heaven		Earth remove out of its place. Earth shall quake.
	Powers of heaven shall be shaken		Heavens shall tremble.
	All tribes of the earth shall mourn		Day of clouds and thick darkness. Trumpet and alarm.
	Shall appear Son of man in heaven		Men (unbelievers) will be afraid.
	Coming in the clouds of heaven		<b>THE WRATH OF GOD starts</b>
	Shall send his angels		
	A great Trumpet sound		
Elect shall be gathered			
<b>RAPTURE</b>			

Old Testament Prophets, Paul & Peter (apostles)



Note the similar events between the 6<sup>th</sup> seal of Revelation 6 and the O.T. prophets as well:-



Other Scriptures:

**Jude v6** <sup>6</sup>And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

**Jude v7** <sup>7</sup>Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

**Jude v14-15** <sup>14</sup>And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, <sup>15</sup>To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

**Jude v18** <sup>18</sup>How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

**Jam 2:5** <sup>5</sup>Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

**Jam 5:7-8** <sup>7</sup>Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. <sup>8</sup>Be ye also patient; stablish [G4741] your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

**Jam 5:3** <sup>3</sup>Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.

**1 Pet 4:5** <sup>5</sup>Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

**2 Pet 2:4** <sup>4</sup>For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

**2 Pet 2:9** <sup>9</sup>The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

**2 Pet 3:3** <sup>3</sup>Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,...

**2 Pet 3:7** <sup>7</sup>But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

**2 Pet 3:13** <sup>13</sup>Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

**1 John 2:18** <sup>18</sup>Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

**1 John 2:28** <sup>28</sup>And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

**1 John 3:2** <sup>2</sup>Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

**1 John 4:17** <sup>17</sup>Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.