

## I Saw the Lord Revelation 1:9-20

1. The humble servant of the Lord (vss. 9-11)
2. The glorious vision of the Lord (vss. 10-19)
3. The mystery explained by the Lord (vs. 20)

### Four interpretations of the Book of Revelation

- Preterists
- Historicists
- Idealists
- Futurists

### Understanding the Rapture (The Appearing of the Lord) and Second Advent

- Jesus on the Rapture (John 14:1-3)
- Paul (1Corinthians 15:50-54, 1Thessalonians 4:13-18, 2 Timothy 4:8, Titus 2:13,)

### Why the Rapture before the Tribulation

- We are not appointed unto wrath (1Thessalonians 5:1-10)

### The Imminent Coming of Christ

## Contrasts Between Rapture and 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent

### Rapture/Translation

- 1 Translation of all believers
- 2 Translated saints go to heaven
- 3 Earth not judged
- 4 Imminent, any-moment, sign-less
- 5 Not in the Old Testament (Enoch?)
- 6 Believers only
- 7 Before the day of wrath
- 8 No reference to Satan
- 9 Christ comes for His own
- 10 He comes in the air
- 11 He claims His bride
- 12 Only His own see Him
- 13 Tribulation begins

### 2nd Advent / Establish Kingdom

- 1 No translation at all
- 2 Translated saints return to earth
- 3 Earth judged & righteousness established
- 4 Follows definite predicted signs including tribulation
- 5 Predicted often in Old Testament
- 6 Affects all humanity
- 7 Concluding the day of wrath
- 8 Satan bound
- 9 Christ comes with His own
- 10 He comes to the earth
- 11 He comes with His bride
- 12 Every eye shall see Him
- 13 Millennial Kingdom begins

## The Distinction between Israel and the Church (Thomas D. Ice, Liberty University)

### Dispensationalism